

DAY 1. Conservation Priorities Science Needs Workshop

8:30-10:30 AM Morning Session: PLENARY

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Speaker: Paul Johansen, Asst. Chief in Charge of Game Management, WV Div. of Natural Resources and Appalachian LCC Vice-Chairman

The Appalachian LCC within the Regional Conservation Context: Introduction to the Northeast Conservation Framework

Speaker: Dr. Ken Elowe, Assistant Regional Director - Science Applications, USFWS

Landscape Planning: Examples and Lessons Learned

Speaker: Dr. Rob Baldwin, Assistant Professor, Clemson University

Framing the Appalachian Challenges and the Science Needs Component

Speaker: Dr. Jean Brennan, Appalachian LCC Coordinator

Our Work - Setting out the Workshop Process, Expectations and Outcomes

Speaker: Chris Burkett, Senior Biologist, VA Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries and Lead Technical Facilitator

10:30-11:00 AM BREAK and then disperse out to six workgroup rooms.

11:00 AM-12:30 PM Expert Work Groups will critically review Portfolio structure of Themes and Programs, recommend revisions, and then accomplish a full review of Science Needs for their specific Theme(s) of expertise.

12:30-1:30 PM LUNCH provided for attendees at venue.

1:30-4:20. Facilitation Deliverable – Recommend revisions to Portfolio Themes and Programs. Review Science Needs within Theme(s) of expertise, recommend revisions, and select top Science Needs within each Theme.

BREAK – each group decides on afternoon break schedule (suggest ~3:00)

4:20-4:40 PM – All move to Plenary Room

4:40 -5:30 PM Late Afternoon Session: PLENARY

Wrap-Up for Day 1: Briefly reaffirm workshop process and expected outcomes; set stage for Day 2.

Speakers: Gwen White, DJ Case & Assoc./ Dr. Ken Elowe, Assistant Regional Director, Science Applications USFWS

5:30 PM Adjourn

DAY 2. Conservation Priorities Science Needs Workshop

8:00 – 8:30 AM Morning Session: PLENARY

Pulse Check and Facilitation Process Review: Overview of Day 1 output, handout of new synthesized Portfolio resulting from Day 1, review of context of process and planned activities for Day 2, directions for Day 2 facilitation process and anticipated outcomes.

Speaker: Chris Burkett, VA Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries Senior Biologist and Lead Technical Facilitator

8:30-10:00 AM Experts Work Groups will be reconstituted from the original grouping by Technical Expertise on Day 1 to create six cross-representational Work Groups on Day 2 who will review Day 1 draft of the Portfolio, narrow field of top Science Needs recommended by Experts on Day 1 to those of most urgency, and identify opportunities for cross-cutting Science Needs to meet shared Theme or Program goals.

10:00-10:30 AM BREAK

10:30 AM-12:00 PM Facilitation Deliverable - Review list of Science Needs under each Program, recommend any final adjustments to ensure comprehensiveness (identify gaps, deletions and other edits) to provide a revised comprehensive list of Programs and Science Needs that fully represent each Theme.

12:00-12:45 PM WORKING LUNCH – box lunches provided for each WorkGroup.

12:30-4:00 PM Facilitation Deliverable - Each Work Group delivers their completed Portfolio with top Science Needs across all Themes and Programs articulated to Gwen White, DJ Case and Assoc. contractor, who will compile a summary of top Science Needs for presentation at closing plenary.

BREAK – each group decides on afternoon break schedule (suggest ~3:00)

4:00-5:30 PM Final Wrap-up PLENARY

Technical Facilitators/Note-Taker/Writing Team members will strive to compile the relative ranking and/or descriptors generated as a composite list for the final overview of conclusions. Next Steps will be shared with all.

Speakers: Gwen White, DJ Case & Assoc./Dr. Ken Elowe, Assistant Regional Director, Science Applications USFWS

5:30 PM Adjourn