

2018 Annual Member/Steering Committee Meeting Draft Agenda

Friday, February 23, 2018 ~ 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**At DFW Field Headquarters, Room #108, the Southeast Conference Room
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA**

*MLTC Members and Friends and all Massachusetts land trusts are encouraged to attend and participate.
Bring your lunch – we'll provide beverages and snacks.*

10:00 AM - Call to Order, Welcome, Trustee Elections – Kathy Orlando, MLTC Steering Committee Chair

Introductions, approve minutes of last meeting, election of trustees. Minutes available at:
http://www.massland.org/files/MLTC_SC_Minutes_15Sep2017_Unaccepted_Final.pdf
Trustee slate available at: www.massland.org/files/BoardBallot2018.pdf

10:15 AM - Mass Land Trust Coalition Policy Priorities – Rich Hubbard, MLTC Board President

Update on MLTC's 2018 policy priorities.

10:35 AM - Dog Impacts on Conservation Areas – Laura Mattei, Sudbury Valley Trustees; Kathy Sferra, Stow Conservation Commission

Many towns and land trusts are grappling with the issues around dog access to conservation land. Laura and Kathy will present some of the issues and some proposed solutions, then we will open this discussion to members' issues and ideas.

11:35 AM - EOEEA Update – Bob O'Connor, EEA Land and Forest Policy Director

Update on funding and programs, introduction of new CR Reviewer.

12:00 PM - LTA Update – Kevin Case, Northeast Director, Land Trust Alliance

Program updates.

12:15 PM - Legislative Update – Karen Heyman, Mass Audubon

Update on current policy and legislation.

12:35 PM - MLTC Reports

Current financial report – John Page, Treasurer
Director's report – Kara Campbell, Outreach Coordinator

1:00 PM - Adjourn

Directions to

Richard Cronin Building, DFW Field Headquarters
1 Rabbit Hill Road, off North Drive, Westborough

From the North or South: Route 495 to Exit 23 for Route 9 West ramp. Take Route 9 West straight through 1 set of lights. Look for "MassWildlife Field Headquarters Next Right" sign and take ramp for Route 135 West towards Northborough. Follow ramp to Stop sign. Turn right at Stop sign and take Route 135 West straight through 1 set of lights, past Environmental Police Inland Headquarters. Look for "MassWildlife Field Headquarters" sign with arrow on right just before North Drive and Massachusetts Technology Park signs. Turn right on North Drive and then take the first left (follow signs) to Westborough Field Headquarters.

From the East: Take MassPike to Exit 11A for Route 495 North. Follow Route 495 North to next Exit (23) for Route 9. Take Route 9 West and follow directions above.

From the West: Take MassPike to Exit 11 for Route 122 in Millbury. After toll booth follow ramp to traffic light at junction with Route 122. Turn left at light on Route 122 North. Take Route 122 North straight through 1 set of lights to Route 20 interchange. Turn right at sign marking ramp for Route 20 East. Turn right at Stop sign at end of ramp onto Route 20 East. Follow Route 20 East to Route 9 interchange. Bear right from Route 20 onto Route 9 East ramp. Merge with Route 9 East at Yield sign at end of ramp. Follow Route 9 East straight through 2 sets of lights. Look for "MassWildlife Field Headquarters - Second Right" sign and take ramp for Route 135 West toward Northborough. At Stop sign at end of ramp turn right onto Route 135 West. Follow Route 135 West under Route 9 overpass and straight through 1 set of lights past Environmental Police Inland Headquarters. Look for "MassWildlife Field Headquarters" sign with arrow on right just before North Drive and Massachusetts Technology Park signs. Turn right on North Drive and then take the first left (follow signs) to Westborough Field Headquarters.

From Rte I-290 East or Westbound: Take the Church Street Exit in Northborough and head south into Northborough center to traffic lights at the junction of Rte 20. Go left on to Rte 20 and then take an immediate right at the next set of traffic lights on to Rte 135 East. Follow Rte 135 approximately 2 miles, passing over the Assabet River and crossing the Westborough town line. A few hundred yards beyond the town line, note the brown MassWildlife Field Headquarters sign and Massachusetts Technology Park signs directing you left on to North Drive. Follow signs to Westborough Field Headquarters..