

**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**14<sup>th</sup> Massachusetts Land Trust – State Agency Retreat**  
**Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

***Protecting Land in Perpetuity: How and Why***

**Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 – 9:30 MLTC Welcome (Marylynn) and Introductions**

**9:30 – 10:30: A Conversation with Secretary Matthew Beaton about the future of land conservation in Massachusetts**

**10:30 – 10:45 Break**

**10:45 – 12:00 Legal Panel – How we conserve land in perpetuity**

- Seth Schofield, MA Attorney General's Office (lesson from the Westfield case)
- Mark Robinson (use of Charitable Trusts)
- Buzz Constable (APR / other threats - towns)

**12:00 – 12:30 Lunch** (bring your own – drinks and snacks provided)

**12:30 – 2:15 Making Land Conservation Relevant to More People**

- Rose Aruda, Mass DAR
- Heather Klish, Appalachian Mountain Club
- Melissa Patterson, Franklin Land Trust
- Lucy Gertz MAS Accessibility and Mobility Coordinator

**2:15 – 2:30 Break**

**2:30 – 3:30 Legislative Update**

- Karen Heymann, Mass Audubon

**3:30 – 3:45 Break**

**3:45 – 4:45 End of day inspiration: *Nibbling on Natives in your Backyard and Beyond* – Russ Cohen**

**4:45- 5:00 Logistics and focus for Friday**

**5:00 pm Dinner at Fisher House - Prepared by Land Trusts**

**7:00pm *Mass Land Conservation Jeopardy Game***

**Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30 – 8:15 Breakfast at Fisher House – Prepared by State Agency Staff**

**8:30 – 9:45 Stewarding Nature as the World's Climate Changes**

- Brian Hawthorne, DFW –ecological Restoration and Biological Monitoring at the Montague Plains Wildlife Management Area in an Era of Climate Change
- Laura Matei SVT - engaging volunteers in land stewardship

**9:45 – 10:45 Engaging the Next Generation of Conservationists**

- Kara Campbell – Mass Land Trust Coalition
- Abby Hardy-Moss – Essex County Greenbelt
- Erik Boyer – Wildlands Trust

**10:45 – 11:15 Final Brainstorming: Protecting Land in Perpetuity- How and Why**

**11:15 – 11:30 Wrap up and Adjourn**