

Conservation Partners Meeting Agenda

Friday, June 14, 2024 10:00 AM - 12:15 PM

Doyle Center Main Building, 464 Abbott Ave, Leominster
To participate via Zoom, advance registration is required: here.

After registering, you'll receive a unique link that you'll need to join the meeting.

10:00 Welcome, call to order and chair report - Kathy Orlando, Partner Engagement Chair

- Meeting logistics and introductions
- Review of March Minutes (available with other materials here: Meetings & Retreats | MassLand)
- Next meeting: Friday, September 20 (hybrid: MassWildlife HQ in Westborough and via Zoom)
- **10:15:** <u>Update on Biodiversity Goals for the Commonwealth</u> Tom O'Shea , Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game

10:55 Presentation of Slate and Election, FY25 MLTC Board of Directors - Kathy Orlando

- Eligible in-person attendees vote via show of hands; virtual attendees via Zoom poll
- Thank you to Board Members with terms ending June 30th
- **11:00** LTA Report Jen Plowden, New England Program Manager
- **11:10** MLTC Staff Report -- Robb Johnson, MLTC Executive Director

11:25 Policy Update – Robb Johnson & Jack Clarke (MLTC Policy Chair)

- Updates on priority legislation, funding and administrative action (Quarterly Policy Update memo available here: Meetings & Retreats | MassLand)
- 11:35 <u>State Agency Updates</u> Kurt Gaertner, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Policy, **Bob Wilber**, Director of Conservation Services and agency staff
 - EEA and agency news
 - Progress report on CR review process
 - Grant program news
 - APR and Farmland Action Plan updates

12:00 Committee and Working Group Updates

- Early Career Conservation Network (ECCN) Mariah Fogg (Land Trust Alliance)
- Agriculture Kathy Orlando (Sheffield Land Trust)
- 12:10 Other announcements
- 12:15: Adjourn