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Conservation Partners Meeting

September 20, 2024

Hybrid: MassWildlife Field Headquarter
and via Zoom

MLTC Staff Report

Upcoming Meetings

Massachusetts State Dinner at LTA Rally

dinner sold out, but join us for a drink!

Friday September 27, **7:00 – 9:00 pm** (Trinity Brewhouse, Providence)

Land Trust / State Agency Retreat

space limited for Wednesday – register soon!

Wednesday October 16 (full day in person at Harvard Forest) to
Thursday, October 17 (half day, hybrid at HF and Zoom)

Conservation Partners Meeting

Friday December 13, 10:00 am – 12:15 pm (via Zoom only)



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Retreat topics

Cross-sector collaboration on land management/stewardship

- Forest reserves
- Habitat management, including prescribed fire
- Invasives management
- Wetlands restoration
- Trail management

Long-term funding for conservation

- 2025 Environmental Bond
- New campaign for dedicated funding for conservation

CR alternatives that ensure perpetuity

- Deed restrictions, charitable trusts, recording of grant agreements, “CR-lite”, etc.

Feedback on State Grant Programs

- Division of Conservation Services
- MDAR/NRCS
- Division of Ecological Restoration

*plus social time and
optional overnight*



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Thanks to our Retreat Planning Committee!

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Check our Events Calendar

massland.org/events

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Thu, Oct 10 2024, 1 - 2pm

Small Staffed Land Trusts: Managing a Sustainable Volunteer Program

Zoom

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Fri, Oct 18 - Sat, Oct 19 2024

ECCN Overnight at Wildlands Trust Stewardship Training Center

Wildlands Trust Stewardship Training Center 549 Mast Road, Plymouth, MA

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Thu, Oct 24 2024, 1 - 2pm

New! Land Protection Staff Topical Networking

Zoom

Join this inaugural networking session for Landowner Outreach, Inclusion & Community

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Mon, Nov 18 2024, 1 - 2pm

Networking for Executive Directors of Large Regional Land Trusts

via Zoom

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Wed, Nov 20 2024, 4 - 5pm

Quarterly Zoom for All-Volunteer Land Trusts (AVLTs)

Zoom

The topic this quarter will be "Database Tools & Management - What Are Organizations Using? /

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Multi-session courses in the works

Climate-Smart Stewardship

In collaboration with Wildlands Trust Stewardship Training Center

Land Trusts & Urban Conservation

In collaboration with The Trustees

Land Protection Tools & Techniques course now underway!

In collaboration with UMass Extension and Mass Audubon

With support from The Trustees and DCR's Working Forest Initiative



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Grants Database

APPLICANT TYPE

- Any -

PROGRAM CATEGORY

- Any -

KEYWORD

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Deadline

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SEARCH

Application Deadline: Mon, Sep 23 2024

Geographic Eligibility: Statewide

Grant Name: National Culvert Removal, Replacement, and Restoration Grants

Grant Administrator: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

Program Category: Land or Habitat Management & Restoration

Applicant Type: Municipality, Town, or Local Govt, State Agency, Tribal



2025 Massachusetts Land Conservation Conference

Friday, March 21, UMass Amherst

Workshop proposals due Friday October 11
Share your expertise!



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Workshop and Field Trip Proposal Submission: 2025 Massachusetts Land Conservation Conference

Intro and Presenter Information

Thanks for your interest in sharing expertise at the **2025 Massachusetts Land Conservation Conference!**

Time and Place

Conference: FRIDAY, March 21, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. UMass Amherst.

Field trips: Fridays or Saturdays of your choice, April - October 2025. Anywhere in Massachusetts.

Session Guidelines

Workshop sessions will be **75 minutes long**, with at least 20 minutes reserved for questions and discussion. Formats can be classroom-style presentations, panels, or roundtable discussions. Proposals are welcome on any topic, and we especially encourage workshops that address conservation in environmental



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New! Excellence in Conservation Award

Presented by MLTC's Conservation Advisory Council to an organization or partnership in recognition of a specific project completed within the past two years which demonstrates excellence in any aspect of land conservation work, advances the cause of land conservation in a creative and substantive way, and may serve as a replicable model for other conservation organizations in Massachusetts.

Awarded at the Conference Plenary Session

Nominations open next week, due by November 30.



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