



Conservation Partners Meeting Agenda

Friday, December 8, 2023 10:00 AM – 12:15 PM

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 September Minutes (available here: [Meetings & Retreats | MassLand](#))
 - Next meeting: Friday, March 8, via Zoom
- 10:15 MLTC Staff Report -- Robb Johnson, MLTC Executive Director**
- Program updates
- 10:25 LTA Report – Jen Plowden, New England Program Manager**
- 10:40 The State's Forests as Climate Solutions Initiative**
- **Elements of initial report** (release expected this week): **Kurt Gaertner**, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Policy; **Bob Wilber**, Director of Conservation Services; and other EEA staff
- 11:10 State Agency Updates –**
- Agency news- **Kurt Gaertner and Bob Wilber**, EEA
 - Progress report on CR review process
 - Updates from other state agency staff, including grant program news
- 11:50 Policy Update – Robb Johnson (MLTC)**
- Updates on priority legislation, funding, administrative action and MLTC Policy Committee
(*Quarterly policy update memo available here: [Meetings & Retreats | MassLand](#)*)
- 12:00 Committee and Working Group Updates**
- Early Career Conservation Network (ECCN) – **Mariah Fogg** (Berkshire Natural Resources Council)
 - Agriculture – **Kathy Orlando** (Sheffield Land Trust)
 - Other announcements?
- 12:15 Adjourn**