



Workshop Invitation

Northeast Transportation and Conservation Planning Summit

December 17th and 18th, 2007

Holiday Inn in Concord, New Hampshire

172 North Main St. Concord, NH 03301

Summary: The Maine Department of Transportation, New Hampshire Department of Transportation, Vermont Agency of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Henry P. Kendall Foundation, and Defenders of Wildlife are hosting a day and a half summit to identify ways to improve the connection between long range transportation planning and conservation planning. As integrating conservation and transportation planning is required by the federal legislation known as SAFETEA-LU, this summit is designed to help address the issues and opportunities which may arise throughout this process.

You will be joining 40 colleagues from each host state (120 total), including transportation and conservation planners, resource managers, non-profit organizations, and others to discuss opportunities for transportation and conservation inter and intrastate collaboration. The workshop will emphasize the use of information, tools and methods that can be shared between the transportation community and the resource and regulatory agencies at the local, state, regional, and national levels.

The first day's discussion will focus on the basics of conservation and transportation planning. The second day will be used for individual state break-out sessions, where state-specific practices, success stories, and ideas can be discussed. At the conclusion all participants will rejoin each other to share conclusions, and to discuss how to best move forward.

Thanks to the generous support of the Henry P. Kendall Foundation, your expenses, to include meals, hotel and mileage, will be covered. Reimbursement forms will be provided at the summit.

We hope you will join us in this exciting opportunity to improve transportation and conservation planning in our states. The event is invitation-only and space is very limited. If you are unable to participate and wish to designate someone from your organization, please do so.

If you have not done so already, your RSVP would be appreciated by no later than November 16, 2007. Please RSVP by email to Jesse Feinberg at jfeinberg@defenders.org with the following information:

- Do you plan to attend? (If not, please recommend a replacement from your organization or department.)
- Will you need a hotel room for December 17th? (Maine and Vermont participants)
- Are you willing to share a room with another participant?
- Are you planning to stay additional nights? (Note: We are only able to cover your costs for the night of December 17th.)
- Any special needs or requests? Dietary restrictions?

Thank you to those of you who have already sent your RSVP. You will be receiving further information in the next few weeks.

We look forward to your participation December 17th and 18th.

Directions to the Holiday Inn, Concord NH can be found at:

<http://www.ichotelsgroup.com/h/d/hi/1/en/hotel/CCDDT/transportation>

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