

Natural Resources and the Economy: Hand in Hand

17th Annual SAMAB Conference November 28-30, 2006 Holiday Inn SunSpree, Gatlinburg, Tennessee

Tuesday, November 28, 2006				
10:00 am - noon	Registration (Tower lobby) and Poster setup (Gatlinburg/Glades)			
1:00 pm	Opening and welcome: Pat Parr, SAMAB Chairperson (Greenbrier)			
1:10 pm	Keynote address : Dave Wear, <i>The Economic Benefits of Forest and Natural Resource Protection and Management</i> (Greenbrier)			
2:00 pm	Countering the Spread of Invasives (LeConte) Nancy Fraley, moderator 2:00 Jason Love. Native landscape certification program for Great Smoky Mountains region 2:25 Sarah Vokoun and Peter Frank. Early detection/rapid responsible monitoring protocol at Ft. Bragg in NC 2:50 Emerald Ash Borer Project Team, Emerald ash borer 3:15 Patricia Flebbe and Danny Lee. A prototype Bayesian belief network for hemlock woolly adelgid	Approaches in the Southern Appalachians (Greenbrier) Anita Rose, moderator 2:00 Michael Dobrogosz. TVA lands policy 2:25 Edward Clebsch. The Foothills Land Conservancy: Land preservation, conservation easements and new tax benefits 2:50 Jim Stokoe. Landcare: A popular movement that integrates economic and social benefits with natural resource stewardship 3:15 Jerry Moles. The reasons why we're organizing in the name of Landcare in Grayson County		
3:40 pm	Break			
4:00 pm	Panel Session : Public-private partnerships for conserving natural and cultural values in the new rural economy. Judy Francis, Organizer/moderator (Greenbrier)			
5:30 pm	Poster Session Gary Peeples, moderator (Gatlinburg/Glades) (posters listed on next page of agenda)			

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5:30 pm | **Poster Session** Gary Peeples, moderator (Gatlinburg/Glades)

Lindsay Majer, Invasive exotic plants: A threat to artisan natural resources

Duncan St. Clair, Air quality in Great Smoky Mountains

W. Henry McNab and David Loftis, Seventy years of development of the first planned forest regeneration study in the Southern Appalachian Mountains

April Pallette and Duke Rankin, *The use of native plants to reconstruct wildlife opening in the southern Appalachians*

Barry Clinton, Variation in riparian zone structure and function in southern Appalachian headwater catchments

Mark Campen, Work of the Fort Loudoun Lake Association

Brackin Kirkland, Experiences in water quality education

Paul Ayers, Using underwater video mapping to define optimanl habitat for threatened and endangeredfFish repopulation in the GSMNP

Paul Ayers, Underwater video mapping for river habitat mapping in the Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area

Melinda Bousfield, *Pigeon River benthic macro-invertebrate surveys in 2005 denote improved water quality*

Shannon Miller, Tennessee Interfaith Power and Light

Greg Wiggins, et al., Introduced biological control insects on non-target thistles in the southern Appalachians, Tennessee

Hugh Irwin. The role of unroaded areas and areas of low road density in water quality issues in western North Carolina

William McLarney and Brent Martin, Yellowfin shiner: An exotic fish threatens the integrity of western North Carolina and upper Georgia stream systems

Wednesday, November 29, 2006				
7:30 am Registration and light continental breakfast (Tower lobby)				
8:30 am	Biofuels: Production, Availability, Use,	Development and Water Resource		
	and Impacts in the Southern Appalachians (LeConte) 8:30 Brian Winslett. Biodiesel: Feedstocks, economic impacts, environmental benefits and concerns, fossil fuel displacement; politics and tax incentives 9:15 Jonathan Overly. Ethanol: Past, present, and future	Planning, Information, and Impacts (Greenbrier) Carol Chandler, moderator 8:30 Hugh Irwin. The role of unroaded areas and areas of low road density in water quality issues in western North Carolina 9:00 Agnes Vanderpool. Examining the impacts of watershed development on water quality in Norris Lake, Tennessee 9:30 Andy Carroll. Conservation planning tools: A new partnership for the Southeast		
	Break			
10:20 am	Biofuels: Production, Availability, Use, and Impacts in the Southern Appalachians (cont'd) (LeConte) 10:20 Greg Hopkins. Biofuel production using new technology and local feedstocks 10:45 Bill Eaker. The Land of Sky Clean Vehicles Coalition 11:10 Jonathan Overly. The East Tennessee Clean Fuels Coalition	Planning, Information, and Impacts (cont'd) (Greenbrier) 10:20 Emily Saunders. A HCP (Habitat Conservation Plan) for the Cumberlands: Addressing development and T&E species locally 10:45 Joyce Coombs and J. Larry Wilson. Pigeon River recovery project, 2006 11:10 Suzanne Fisher. Water quality trading—Tools for water quality improvements in the Tennessee Valley		
11:40 am	Lunch on your own or NEPA roundtable (L			
1:00 pm	Keynote address , Jeff Biggers, author, The	United States of Appalachia (Greenbrier)		
2:20 pm 2:50 pm	Break Biofuels: Production, Availability, Use, and Impacts in the Southern Appalachians (cont'd) (LeConte) 2:50 Alan Powell. Southeast diesel collaborative: The role of biodiesel in air quality improvement strategy 3:15 tba. Biofuels and distribution success and issues 3:45 Joel Goodman. "Tweetsie 21": 21st century biofuel-powered rail service for northeast Tennessee 4:10 Biofuels users panel discussion: Mark Schotters, GRSM National Park Bryan Fortner, City of Sevierville Forrest Parker and Joella Jackson, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians	Natural Resources and Economic Opportunity (Greenbrier) Rob Hawk, moderator 2:50 James Chamberlain. Non-timber forest products in the Appalachian economy 3:20 Charles Feldhake. Managing hills for gold 3:50 Robert Eidus. Farming in the woods 4:20 David Cozzo. River cane: A key species for environmental and cultural preservation 4:50 Roy Settle. Be loyal, buy local		
6:30-	Reception, Dinner and Music Join us at C	Calhoun's Banquet Room for dinner and		
10:00pm	bring your instrument for an old-time, mountain, bluegrass music jam.			

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	Thursday, November 30, 2006				
7:30 am					
8:30 am	Information for Forest, Land and Resource Management (LeConte) Terry Seyden, moderator 8:30 Cathryn Greenberg. A fast and reliable hard mast index from acorn presence-absence tallies 9:00 Donald Hodges, Virginia Dale and Jonah Fogal. Impacts of climate change on Tennessee forests 9:30 Bruce Tonn, et al. The case for regional climate change adaptation planning	Guiding and Measuring Development in the Region (Greenbrier) Barry Clinton, moderator 8:30 Margo Farnsworth. Building outside the box—Sustainable building in the Southeast 9:00 Joel Haden. Growth readiness in the Southern Appalachians 9:30 Mark Cantrell et al. Measuring landscape change			
10:00 am	Break	1			
10:20 am	Information for Forest, Land and Resource Management (cont'd) (LeConte) 10:20 John Peine and Tom Burley. Appalachian Trail environmental monitoring program 10:50 Tom Burley and John Peine. Roan Mountain and data management: Facilitating science through data and information management 11:20 Zack Murrell and Fred Rasco. Networking regional herbaria: The Southeast Regional Network of Expertise and Collections (SERNEC)	Guiding and Measuring Development in the Region (cont'd) (Greenbrier) 10:20 Carolyn Fryberger. A cadastral- based development change analysis of the French Broad River Basin of western North Carolina 10:45 Richard Wooten. Landslide hazards and landslide hazard mapping in North Carolina Water for People and the Environment (Greenbrier) Scott Gain, moderator 11:15 Scott Gain. Regionalized predictors of ecological flow requirements for the management of Tennessee streams 11:40 Charles Bohac. TVA's reservoir operations and minimum flow objectives 12:05 Mike Sale. Evolutionary trends in environmental flow requirements: A view from ORNL			
12:30 pm	Lunch on your own				
1:15 pm – ~4:00 pm	Guided hike. Led by Kevin Caldwell, botanist (meet in Conference Registration area in the Tower Lobby) Enjoy a late-season walk, learn winter tree identification skills and view some winter birds				

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