



CANADIAN MARITIMES ECOLOGICAL CONNECTIVITY FORUM



**APRIL 24-25, 2019 | HALIFAX, NS
DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY**



To enhance and broaden our understanding on the science of ecological connectivity and its implementation in the context of the Canadian Maritime provinces.

With keynote speaker, Dr. Mark Anderson
of The Nature Conservancy

Accommodations
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Provisional Agenda
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Day 1 – Plenary

Location: McInnes Room

| Time | Item | Speakers |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| 8:30 am – 9:00 am | <i>Registration and Refreshments</i> | |
| 9:00 am – 9:10 am | Welcome and Forum Overview | Karen Beazley and Peter Bush |
| 9:10 am – 9:25 am | Introduction and Opening Remarks | Minister Ian Rankin |
| 9:25 am – 10:25 am | Resilient and Connected Networks to Sustain Biodiversity Under a Changing Climate | Mark Anderson |
| 10:25 am – 10:45 am | Brief History of Ecological Connectivity Mapping in the Ecoregion | Karen Beazley |
| 10:45 am – 11:00 pm | *BREAK – coffee, tea, water, muffins* | |
| 11:00 pm – 12:00 pm | Resolution 40-3: Working Together on Connectivity | John Austin and Danielle St. Pierre |
| 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm | *LUNCH – provided* | |
| 1:00 pm – 2:40 pm | Implementing Connectivity Science into Action in Transportation Planning: Examples from Ontario and Quebec | Dave Ireland and Jochen Jaeger |
| 2:40 pm – 3:00 pm | *BREAK – coffee, tea, water, cookies* | |
| 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm | Implementing Connectivity Science into Action in Transportation Planning: Examples from New Brunswick and Vermont | Greg Quinn and Chris Slesar |
| 4:00 pm- 4:30 pm | Bringing together Terrestrial and Aquatic Connectivity through the Riparian Zone | Kristen Ferry |
| 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm | Reflections on Day 1: Moving Forward | TBC |

Dinner on your own

Day 2 – Plenary

Location: McInnes Room

| Time | Item | Speakers |
|---------------------|--|--|
| 9:00 am - 9:10 am | Welcome and Day 2 Overview | Karen Beazley and Peter Bush |
| 9:10 am – 10:00 am | Ecological Connectivity in International Context and IUCN Connectivity Conservation Specialist Group | Gary Tabor |
| 10:00-10:15 | Canada Pathway to Target 1 Working Group | Andrea Clouston |
| 10:15 am – 10:30 am | *BREAK - coffee, tea, muffins * | |
| 10:30 am – 11:30 am | Ten Years of Landscape-Scale Collaboration for a Connected Landscape: The Staying Connected Initiative | Jessica Levine and John Austin |
| 11:030am – 12:30 pm | Discussion Panel: Connectivity Priorities and Opportunities in the Canadian Maritimes | Senior management, and/or key government and NGO reps. (TBC) |
| 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm | *LUNCH - provided* | |

Day 2 – Concurrent Sessions

| Session A Location: McInnes Room | | |
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| Time | Topic | Presenters |
| 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm | Tools for Measuring and Monitoring Connectivity | Jochen Jaeger and Caitlin Cunningham |
| 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm | *BREAK – coffee, tea, cookies* | |
| 2:45 pm – 4:00 pm | Connectivity in Municipal Park and Land Use Planning | Ben Sivak and Amanda Shearin |
| Session B Location: Council Chambers | | |
| Time | Topic | Presenters |
| 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm | Protected Areas and Connectivity – Building Networks | Dave MacKinnon, Craig Smith, Karen Beazley, Andrea Clouston |
| 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm | *BREAK – coffee, tea, cookies* | |
| 2:45 pm – 4:00 pm | Key Linkage Area: Chignecto Isthmus Connectivity | Craig Smith, Paula Noel, Dave Mackinnon, Roberta Clowater, and Amelia Barnes |

Day 2 – Closing Plenary

Location: McInnes Room

| Time | Topic |
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| 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm | Forum Wrap Up and Next Steps |