

## PRELIMINARY AGENDA

### Vermont Monitoring Cooperative 2009 Annual Meeting - Monday, October 26, 2009

Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation – The University of Vermont – USDA Forest Service

LOCATION: Billings North Lounge, University of Vermont Campus

## “Monitoring Vermont's Environment: A Community Approach Toward Sustainability”

- 8:15-9:00 am Registration – Refreshments – Poster set-up
- 9:00 am Welcome and Introductory Remarks  
*Dr. Lawrence Forcier, Principle Investigator, Vermont Monitoring Cooperative*
- 9:15 am "Environmental Monitoring in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – Why does it Matter in Meeting the Objectives of the GMNF?"  
*Brian Keel, Research and Monitoring Coordinator and Nancy Burt, Soil Scientist, GMNF*
- 9:50 am "Environmental Monitoring in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century – Why does it Matter in Meeting the Objectives of the Lake Champlain Basin Program"  
*Dr. William Howland, Basin Program Manager, Lake Champlain Basin Program*
- 10:25 am Break - Refreshments and snacks – posters
- 10:45 am "Vermont's Changing Forests: Key Findings on the Health of Forested Ecosystems from the Vermont Monitoring Cooperative"  
*Steven Sinclair, Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation*  
*Lesley-Ann Dupigny-Giroux, University of Vermont*  
*Sandy Wilmot, Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation*  
*Beverley Wemple, University of Vermont*  
*Eric Miller, Ecosystems Research Group, Ltd.*  
*David Sleeper, Hubbard Brook Research Foundation*  
Distribution of “Vermont's Changing Forests” report
- 12:00 pm Lunch, and poster session
- 12:45 pm Panel: “Volunteer Citizen Monitoring: Accomplishments, Promise and Cautions”  
*Heather Pembroke and Andy Fisher, Vermont Acid Precipitation Monitoring Program*  
*Bethany Hanna and TBD, University of Vermont Watershed Alliance*  
*Margaret Fowle and TBD, Audubon Vermont*

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- 2:15 pm Break - Refreshments and snacks – posters
- 2:30 pm " Panel: “A Millennial Generation View Toward Achieving Sustainability”  
*Student Panel*
- 3:30 pm Closing Remarks & Adjourn

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