

Costs and Benefits of Sustaining Conserved Lands: Their Value to Communities and the Challenges for Sustaining Them

Mohonk Consultations' Annual Conference – November 9, 2015

In partnership with Scenic Hudson, Mohonk Preserve and the Wallkill Valley Land Trust



- 8:30 am **Registration** and refreshments
- 9:00 am **Welcome** – Setting the context and goals for the conference (Chris Bernabo: Moderator)
- 9:10 am **Overview Land Conservation Challenges and Benefits** (30 minute presentation)
Speaker: Carol Ash: Chair, Carey Institute for Global Good and Open Space Institute Board
- 9:40 am **Q&A**
- 9:50 am **Identifying the Economic Benefits of Land Conservation** (30 minute presentation)
Speaker: Jessica Sargent: Director of Research, Trust for Public Lands
- 10:20 am **Q&A**
- 10:30 am BREAK
- 10:45 am **PANEL 1: Benefits and Challenges for Conserved Lands:** (Five minutes each panelist)
Cara Lee (The Nature Conservancy), Ethan Winter (Land Trust Alliance), Kathleen Davis (Hyde Park Recreation), Mark Castiglione (NYS Hudson Greenway), Brad Barclay (Dutchess County Department of Public Works)
- 11:30 am **Q&A**
- 11:40 am **Morning Roundtables** – Participants discuss ideas and questions from the morning session
- 12:10 pm **Lunch and networking**
- 1:10 pm **Challenges for Sustaining Long-Term Stewardship** (30 minute presentation)
Speaker: Henry Tepper: Past President, Massachusetts Audubon Society
- 1:40 pm **Q&A**
- 1:50 pm **PANEL 2: Finding Funds and People for Stewardship** (Five minutes each panelist)
Rita Shaheen (Scenic Hudson), Bob Canace (The Peter and Carmen Lucia Buck Foundation), Joe Alfano (Mohonk Preserve), Christine Chale (Rodenhausen Chale LLC), Ryan Courtien (Town of Dover)
- 2:35 pm **Q&A**
- 2:45 pm BREAK
- 2:55 pm **Afternoon Roundtables** – Developing strategies for ensuring long-term stewardship
- 3:40 pm **Reporting and Conclusions** – Best ideas from roundtables and discussion
- 4:00 pm **Adjourn**

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