



**Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages, Department of State, Adirondack Park Agency
and Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board Invite You To**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY - May 17, 1997

At Paul Smith's College



TIME	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	COMMUNITY PLANNING	GOVERNMENT
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration Exhibits		
9:00 AM - 9:20 AM	Opening Remarks George Canon, President, Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages		
9:30 AM - 10:45 AM	Economic Development in the Adirondack Region	The Operation of Planning Boards & Zoning Boards of Appeals	Keeping the Public Informed: Meetings, Hearings, Public Documents
10:45 AM - NOON	Community Development Officers: Meeting Community Needs	Waterfront Planning: Successes on the Lake Champlain Shoreline	Current Trends in Property Assessment
NOON - 1:40 PM	Lunch Address by Bill McKibben Demonstration by the Adirondack Park Visitors Center		
1:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Attracting Industrial Development in Your Community: Conducting a Realistic Assessment of Opportunities	Subdivision Review: Design to Fit the Land	Professional Services for Your Community: How to Procure, Pay For and Share Expertise
3:15 PM - 4:30 PM	Geographic Information Systems (GIS): Utilizing this Tool for Economic Development	Enforcement: Ensuring the Effectiveness of Local Land Use Laws	Needed: Jacks & Jills-of-All- Trades - The Important Role of Town & Village Clerks

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Dear Friend:

On Saturday, May 17, 1997, local government officials will gather at Paul Smith's College to attend "Local Government Day." The day has been designed to bring together town and village board members, clerks, municipal attorneys, code officers, planning and zoning board members, and other local officials for the purpose of providing information and exchanging ideas.

During that day, up to 200 local government officials will have the opportunity to attend sessions dealing with economic development, community planning, and other local government issues. Please register early to ensure your place at the conference.

Local Government Day, hosted by Paul Smith's College, is being sponsored by the Department of State, Adirondack Park Agency, the Association of Adirondack Towns and Villages, and the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board.

Questions about the conference should be directed to James Hotaling (APA) 518-891-4050 or Lori Heithoff (DOS) 518-473-3355 or (800)367-8488.

We hope you can attend!

Sandy Treadwell

Alexander F. Treadwell,
Secretary of State

Greg Campbell

Greg Campbell, Chairman
Adirondack Park Agency

George Canon

George Canon, President
Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Position: _____

Address: _____

Municipality: _____



A conference fee of \$12 per person is being charged to cover the cost of morning refreshments and lunch at Paul Smith's College. Please enclose a check or voucher made out to **Paul Smith's College**.

The deadline for registering for the conference is April 30. Please send your registration form and conference fee to:

Jim Hotaling, Chief of Local Government Services
Adirondack Park Agency
Box 99, Raybrook, New York 12977

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 200 REGISTRANTS

Please assist us in determining room sizes by indicating which courses you plan on attending. **Circle the appropriate boxes.**

EVENT	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	COMMUNITY PLANNING	GOVERNMENT
SESSION 1	Economic Development in the Adirondacks	Planning Boards & ZBAs	Keeping the Public Informed
SESSION 2	Community Development Officers	Waterfront Planning	Property Assessment
SESSION 3	Attracting Industrial Development	Subdivision Design Review	Professional Services
SESSION 4	Geographic Information Systems	Enforcement of Land Use Laws	Role of Town & Village Clerks

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY EVENTS

Registration will begin at 8:30 AM in the Freer Science Building. When registering, you will receive a detailed schedule for the day, as well as your meal ticket and name tag. Exhibits will be available in the common areas of Freer Science Building.

Opening Remarks will be made by George Canon, President, Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages, as well as representatives of the Adirondack Park Agency and the New York State Department of State and Paul Smith's College.

Lunch will be provided by Paul Smith's College in the Buxton Cafe. During lunch, Bill McKibben will share his thoughts. The Adirondack Visitor's Center will also put on a demonstration in the cafe.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

Economic Development in the Adirondack Region - A review of state and regional economic development support organizations, and the special needs of the Adirondack region.

Community Development Offices: Meeting Community Needs - State and local representatives will review the success story of these organizations which provide a focus for community needs.

Attracting Industrial Development in Your Community: Conducting a Realistic Assessment of Opportunities - How to foster a perfect match between community resources and industrial development needs.

Geographic Information Systems (GIS): Utilizing this Tool for Economic Development - Identifying and attracting economic development through the use of electronic mapping and data bases.

COMMUNITY PLANNING EVENTS

The Operation of Planning Boards & Zoning Boards of Appeals - A primer covering the important tasks of running a planning and zoning board of appeals.

Waterfront Planning: Successes on the Lake Champlain Shoreline - Current waterfront activities important to our region.

Subdivision Review: Design to Fit the Land - The special issues of subdividing land in the Adirondacks. Allowing development while preserving community character.

Enforcement: Ensuring the Effectiveness of Local Land Use Laws - How to ensure that your carefully crafted land use regulations are followed.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT EVENTS

Keeping the Public Informed: Meetings, Hearings, Public Documents - The legal aspects governing the conduct of board business, the involvement of the public in board proceedings, and the public's access to municipal documents.

Current Trends in Property Assessment - State and local officials will discuss their experiences in assessing various types of Adirondack property.

Professional Services for Your Community: How to Procure, Pay For and Share Expertise - Guidelines and advice to follow when obtaining professional services. Resolving issues of residency when sharing services.

Needed: Jacks & Jills-of-All-Trades. The Important Role of Town & Village Clerks - Ever wonder why you never see a job description for a town or village clerk? Attend this session and find out why.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY

May 17, 1997

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

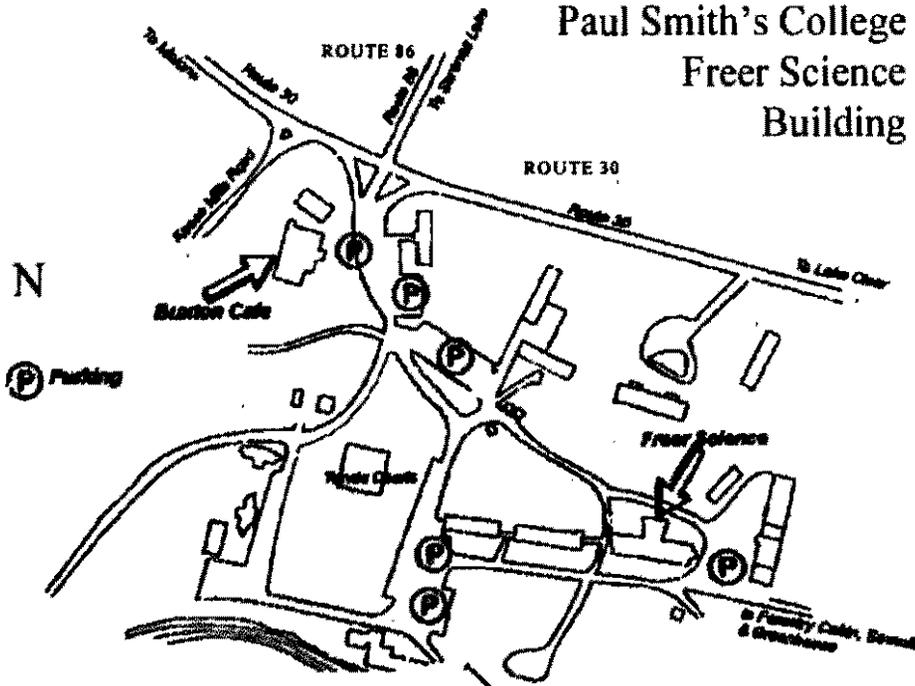
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Adirondack Park Agency

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New York State Department of State

- Held At -

Paul Smith's College
Freer Science
Building



New York State Department of State
Division of Local Government
41 State Street
Albany, New York 12231

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*Second Annual
LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY*

March 18-19, 1999
Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY

AGENDA

Thursday, March 18

1:00 - 4:00 PM	WORKSHOPS
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- **Wetlands**

(Berkeley Room)

A training session for local officials which will address wetlands as a resource, where wetlands fit into communities and how to identify wetlands.

Workshop Facilitators: *Dan Spada and Judy Ross, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*

- **Winter Roads Maintenance - The Snow and Ice Control Balancing Act**

(Academy Room)

A training and discussion session addressing the what, when and how of treating roadways during winter storms. The use of sand, salt, calcium chloride, magnesium chloride, MAGic and other deicers will be looked at from all aspects.

Workshop Facilitator: *Joe Doherty, NYS Department of Transportation (NYS DOT)*. Presenters: *John Cook, NYS DOT, Jefferson County; Bill Schoch, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Region 5; Mark Bonfrey, NYS DOT, Essex County; Willy Grimmke, Washington County Department of Public Works; and Dewey Amsler, AFM Engineering (formerly of NYS DOT and currently a consultant on snow and ice issues for the Federal Highway Administration).*

- **Emergency Management Training**

(Lower Regis Room)

A training session on Emergency Management for local officials. Topics to be covered will include using incident command in local emergencies, the legal issues in emergency management, county emergency management and emergency planning and hazard mitigation.

Workshop Facilitator: *Andrew Feeney, Deputy Director, NYS Emergency Management Office (NYS EMO)*. Presenters: *Raymond Thatcher, Essex County; John Scanlon, New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYS DEC) Forest Ranger; Jean Cox, Counsel, NYS EMO; Joseph Hein, Supervisor of Planning, NYS EMO; John Dinuzzo, Chief of Mitigation Programs, NYS EMO and Ken Kogut, NYS DEC, Region 5.*

4:00 - 5:00 PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
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5:00 - 6:30 PM	RECEPTION - Sponsored by the NY Planning Federation
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Friday, March 19

8:30 - 9:00 AM	REGISTRATION
9:00 - 9:15 AM	WELCOMING REMARKS
9:15 - 10:30 AM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS (A-B-C)

Session A - (Lower Regis Room)

• Sewer and Water Infrastructure

Conveying information necessary to better enable Adirondack communities to access and leverage federal and state funding sources for necessary infrastructure projects.

Moderator: *Dave Vahue, NYS Rural Development Council*

- (20) *Identifying Local Needs and Developing Local Readiness*
A discussion about these two aspects as keys to successful project implementation.
Speaker, *Kevin Smith, NYS Tug Hill Commission*
- (20) *Community Readiness in the Adirondacks*
Special considerations communities must recognize when planning infrastructure projects in the Adirondack Park; a review of related laws and regulations specific to the region.
Speaker, *Bill Johnston, Essex County Planning Office*
- (20) *Opportunities for Multi-funded Projects*
A discussion of funding programs available through the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation.
Speaker, *Tom Linburg, Environmental Facilities Corporation*
- (15) *Discussion/Q&A*

Session B - (Academy Room)

• Planning for Tourism Development

Moderator: *Mary McLean, Adirondack Economic Development Corporation*

- (15) *Tourism and the Adirondack Regional Economy*
Overview of industry growth trends and economic impacts.
Speakers, *Kevin Jack and Alan Beideck, NYS Department of Labor*
- (15) *Tourism Businesses Away from More Established Centers*
Results of a 1998 survey of 258 tourism business owners in eight parts of the region having strong potential for outdoor recreation-based tourism.
Speaker, *Timothy B. Holmes, Holmes & Associates*

- (15) ***Building on Local Assets***
How one local community is developing tourism as part of its economic development strategy.
Speaker, *Greg O'Hara, Araho Outfitters*
- (15) ***Developing a Successful Lodging Facility: An Owner's Perspective on Requirements for Success***
A viewpoint from a local entrepreneur who has built a business around tourism.
Speaker, *George Heim, Garnet Hill Lodge*
- (15) ***Discussion/Q&A***

Session C - (Berkeley Room)

- **APA-Approved Local Land Use Programs**

An informational session on the APA local program approval process and key aspects of approved program administration.

This is a training program which is presented by the NYS Adirondack Park Agency for local governments interested in applying for Agency approval of their local land use programs and local governments which currently administer Agency-approved local programs.

Session Facilitators: *Jim Hotaling, John Banta, Ellen George and Karyn Richards, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*

<i>10:30 -10:45 AM</i>	<i>BREAK</i>
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<i>10:45 AM - NOON</i>	<i>CONCURRENT SESSIONS (D-E-F)</i>
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Session D - (Lower Regis Room)

- **Stormwater Management**

A technical session on the principles of stormwater management and the application of stormwater management techniques for local projects.

Facilitator: *Dave Fleury, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*

Session E - (Academy Room)

- **Railroads in the Adirondacks**

Moderator: *Terry deFranco Martino, Adirondack North Country Association*

- (15) ***History and Status of Railroads in the Adirondacks***
Speaker, *Mike Kudish, Paul Smith's College*

- (15) ***Potentials and Opportunities for Railroads in the Adirondacks***
Discussion about opportunities for the use of railway corridors, for seasonal tourism and commercial development.
Speaker, *Jim Ellis, Adirondack North Country Association*
- (15) ***Showcase: "The Adirondack Railroad"***
Speaker, *Doug Ellison, Adirondack Railway Preservation Society*
- (30) ***Discussion/Q&A***

Session F - (Berkeley Room)

- **Basic Powers and Duties of Planning and Zoning Boards**

An overview of the roles and responsibilities of planning boards and zoning boards of appeals.

This is the training program which has been prepared by the NYS Department of State for presentation to local officials.

Presenters: *Lori Heithoff and Harry Willis, NYS Department of State*
Jim Hotaling, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

NOON - 1:00 PM	LUNCH (Ballroom)
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Adirondacks: The Challenge for the Coming Decade

Speaker, *Dr. Ross Whaley, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry*

1:00 - 1:30 PM	POSTER SESSIONS/EXHIBITS (Grand Hall)
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1:30 - 2:45 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS (G-H-I)
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Session G - (Lower Regis Room)

- **APA Project Review**

An opportunity for local officials to generally better understand the purposes and techniques involved in the Agency review of small and large projects. In doing so, they can compare and contrast local process required by town and village law, to see useful similarities and to understand how the Agency and local decision makers share some of the same issues.

- (30) ***Review of the Basic Purposes of Review and the Project Review Process***
Speaker, *Bill Curran, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*

- (10) *Comparison of Agency and Local Review Processes*
Speaker, *Jim Hotaling, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*
- (20) *“Demonstration” Project*
- (15) *Discussion/Q&A*

Session H - (Academy Room)

- **Development-Ready Sites**

How to work within the scope of current land use laws and regulations to designate development-ready sites for development within a community.

Moderator: *Dave Church, NY Planning Federation*

- (15) *A Historical Perspective on the Concept of “Permit-Ready” Sites for Development*
A discussion about how the concept of “development-ready” siting has evolved in the history of land use planning and development.
Speaker, *Dave Church, NY Planning Federation*
- (15) *The “Build Now - NY” Program*
An overview of this newly implemented program in New York State and implications for the Adirondacks.
Speaker, *Jim Jacobs, Empire State Development Corporation*
- (15) *The APA Project Review Process/Designating “Development-Ready” Sites*
An overview of the APA project review process and regulatory preparation for site development.
Speaker, *Steve Erman, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*
- (15) *“Development-Ready” Sites in the Adirondacks: Case Examples*
Highlights of success in establishing “development-ready” sites in Keeseville, Moriah and Ticonderoga.
Speaker, *Allen Dunham, Adirondack Economic Development Corporation*
- (15) *Questions/Q&A*

Session I - (Berkeley Room)

- **Enforcement and Administration of Local Land Use Regulations**

An overview of the authority and techniques available to local officials in enforcing local land use regulations and approvals.

This is a training program which is presented by the NYS Department of State for local officials.

Presenters: *Lori Heithoff and Harry Willis, NYS Department of State*
Don Kelly, Town of Webb

Session J - (Lower Regis Room)• Water Quality

A discussion about the importance of lake studies and water management planning.

Moderator: *Karen Roy, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*

(30) *The Value of Lake Studies in Watershed and Stormwater Management Planning*

A discussion about the importance of knowing the condition of lake and river resources in planning for the use and enjoyment of water resources in a community.

Speaker, *Scott Kishbaugh, Division of Water, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation*

Speaker, *Mike White, Lake George Park Commission*

(15) *The Role of Lake and River Associations in the Protection of Water Quality*

A discussion about how lake and river associations have been successful in raising awareness about local water quality issues, developing strategies for watershed protection and identifying resources to implement successful protection measures.

Speaker, *Lew Stone, Federation of Lake Associations*

(15) *Opportunities for State, Local and County Assistance and Partnerships*

A discussion of examples of successful partnerships and sources for funding and technical assistance.

Speaker, *Ian Drew, Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District*

(15) *Discussion/Q&A*Session K - (Academy Room)• Snowmobiling as a Recreational Resource

Moderator: *Robert Quinn, Adirondack North Country Association and NYS Tug Hill Commission*

(15) *The Need for Good Planning and Minimizing Conflict*

Speaker, *Sandra LeBarron, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Region 6*

(20) *Stabilizing a Trail Network on Public and Private Lands*

Speakers, *Lewis County Snowmobile Association/Snowmobile Advisory Group Representative, Private Landowner Representative*

(15) *Economic Opportunities and Impacts of the Snowmobiling Industry*

Speaker, *New York State Snowmobile Association/Advisory Group Representative*

(25) *Discussion - Questions, Answers, Comments*

Session L - (Berkeley Room)

• **Comprehensive Planning**

A discussion about the importance of comprehensive planning and how it relates to the development of local planning initiatives.

Moderator: *Dave Church, NY Planning Federation*

(15) ***What is Comprehensive Planning and Why Plan?***

A discussion about what comprehensive planning is and the importance of developing a community vision to guide growth and development.

Speaker, *Dave Church, NY Planning Federation*

(15) ***Linking Comprehensive Planning to other Local Planning Initiatives***

A discussion about the relationship of comprehensive planning to community development and strategic planning.

Speaker, *TBA*

(15) ***The Relationship between Regional Planning and Local Comprehensive and Development Planning in the Adirondacks***

A discussion about the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan and its relationship to local planning.

Speaker, *John Banta, NYS Adirondack Park Agency*

(15) ***Experiences in Local Comprehensive Planning***

Highlights of local initiatives to carry out comprehensive planning in Adirondack communities.

Speaker, *Shirley Seney, Supervisor, Town of North Elba*

(15) ***Discussion/Q&A***

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**Third Annual
Adirondack Park
LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY**

March 16-17, 2000
Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY

AGENDA

Thursday, March 16

12:00 - 1:00 PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Grand Hall)
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1:00 - 4:00 PM	WORKSHOPS
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- **NYS Building Code: Present and Future**

(Berkeley Room)

An overview of the NYS Building Code and introduction to upcoming code changes.

Workshop Facilitators: Dottie Harris, Assistant Secretary of State; Ron Piester, Assistant Director for Code Development, DOS; and George Clark, Director, Codes Division, NYS Dept. of State

- **Managing and Regulating Personal Water Craft and Boats**

(Grand Hall)

An overview of State laws and enforcement responsibilities, a presentation about on-the-job enforcement issues, a discussion of municipal opportunities for surface water management and a discussion of ECL Section 130 and the generation of local laws.

Workshop Moderator: Rick Hoffman, Attorney, NYS Dept. of State

Workshop Presenters: Lt. Joseph Schneider, NYS DEC Environmental Conservation Officer assigned to the Lake George Park Commission, Raymond VanAnden, NYS DEC Environmental Conservation Officer and "Marine and Off-Road Enforcement (M.O.R.E.) team member; Steve Ressler, Coastal Resources Specialist, NYS Dept. of State; and Fred Monroe, Supervisor, Town of Chester

- **State and Local Partnerships for Recreational Planning**

(Ballroom)

A discussion focused on the role of public lands in community development in the Adirondack Park including an update on the DEC unit management planning initiative for the Adirondack Park and opportunities for local government involvement, a discussion about opportunities for recreational trail and corridor development and new initiatives to develop "storefront" interpretive centers in Adirondack communities.

Workshop Moderator: Richard Moores, Director, St. Lawrence County Planning Office.

Workshop Presenters: John Banta, Director of Planning, Adirondack Park Agency; Frank Dunstan, Director of Lands and Forests, James Papero and Tom Kapelewski, Senior Foresters, NYS DEC; Tom Lucey, DOMTAR Industries; Timothy Burpoe, LandVest Inc; Robert Quinn, Executive Director of the Tug Hill Commission; Bill Farber, Supervisor, Town of Morehouse; Heidi Kretser, Program Officer, Adirondack Communities and Conservation Program; and J.R. Risley, Supervisor, Town of Inlet

5:00 - 6:30 PM	RECEPTION at the Saranac Lake Union Depot <i>Sponsor: NY Planning Federation</i> Welcome from Alexander Treadwell, Secretary of State <i>To be introduced by Ross Whaley, President, CESF</i>
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Friday, March 17

8:30 - 9:00 AM	REGISTRATION (Grand Hall)
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9:00 - 9:15 AM	WELCOMING REMARKS (Ballroom) <i>George Miller, President, Paul Smith's College</i> <i>Richard Lefebvre, Chairman, Adirondack Park Agency</i>
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9:15 - 10:15 AM	PLENARY SESSION (Ballroom)
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- **Balancing Nature and Commerce in Gateway Communities**

Moderator: Stuart Buchanan, Director, Region 5, Department of Environmental Conservation

Nationally known author Ed McMahon will provide lessons in how to preserve the character and integrity of communities without sacrificing local economic well being. Mr. McMahon will describe economic development strategies, land use planning processes and conservation tools that have been effective for communities across the United States.

10:15 - 10:30 AM	Break
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10:30 - 12:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions A-B-C-D
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Session A (Grand Hall)

- **Resources for Community Planning**

Moderator: Greg Caito, Regional Director, North Country, NYS Department of Economic Development

- (20) ***Getting Started with a Community Planning Effort***
Speaker: Dave Church, Executive Director, New York Planning Federation
- (20) ***Identifying Community Issues/Survey***
Speaker: Bill Johnston, Essex County Planning
- (20) ***Developing a Natural Resources Inventory***
Speaker: Ed McMahon, Conservation Fund
- (15) ***Q&A***

Session B (Lower Regis Room)

• **APA 101**

Moderator: Jim La Valley, La Valley Real Estate, Tupper Lake

Speakers: Skip Outcalt and Virginia Yamrick, Project Review Officers, APA; Dan Spada, Wetlands Biologist, APA; and Colleen Parker, Project Administrator, APA; Jim Hotaling, Chief, Local Government Services, APA

This will be a two-part session on "Understanding Agency Jurisdiction" and will include overviews and interactive case studies designed to further understanding of the Agency and specifically, the Private Land Use and Development Map, land use classifications, wetlands, and the jurisdictional determination process.

Session C (Berkeley Room)

• **Lake Management Issues**

Moderator: Karen Roy, Adirondack Park Agency

(15) ***Planning and Zoning for Funnel Development - Backlot Access***

Speaker: Don Kelley, Development Administrator, Town of Webb

(15) ***Wastewater Management***

Speaker: Kevin Sheuer, Senior Sanitary Engineer, NYS Dept. of Health, Saranac Lake

(15) ***Stormwater Management***

Speaker: Michael White, Executive Director, Lake George Park Commission

(15) ***Management of Exotic Plants***

Speaker: Scott Kishbaugh, Division of Water, NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation

(15) ***Q&A***

Session D (Academy Room)

• **Meetings and Hearings**

Moderators: Lori Heitoff and Harry Willis, NYS Department of State

This workshop will cover the goals and legal requirements associated with holding meetings of the board as well as public hearings. Minutes, executive sessions, and the role of the public will also be discussed. Continuing education credit is available to code enforcement officers and attorneys (a fee will be charged for attorneys).

NOON - 1:00 PM	LUNCH (Ballroom) <i>Speaker: Assemblywoman Betty Little</i> <i>To be introduced by Jean Olson, Executive Director, AATV</i>
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1:00 - 1:30 PM	POSTER SESSION/EXHIBITS (Grand Hall)
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Session E (Grand Hall)

- **Showcasing Successful Adirondack Communities**

Moderator: Bill Farber, Chairman, Hamilton County Bd. of Supervisors; Ed McMahon, The Conservation Fund
Speakers: Communities 2000 of the West Central Adirondacks: JR Risley, Supervisor of Inlet; Town of Willsboro Knoblewood Park: Teresa Sayward, Supervisor of Willsboro, Todd Dunham, Adirondack Nature Conservancy; Saranac Lake Community Reinvestment: Debbie McDonnell, Saranac Lake Office of Community Development.

This panel is a continuation of the Plenary Session: *Balancing Nature and Commerce in Gateway Communities*. The panel will describe successful economic development strategies, land use planning processes and conservation tools that have been implemented in the Adirondack Park.

Session F - (Lower Regis Room)

- **APA 101 (Continued)- "Role Play"**

Session G (Berkeley Room)

- **Assessing Private and Public Lands**

Moderator: Rick Hoffman, NYS Department of State

- (20) ***Assessing Private Forest Land***

Speaker: Joseph Hanley, International Paper Company

- (20) ***Valuation of Conservation Easement Lands***

Speaker: Jim Jensen, Chief, Bureau of Real Property Services, DEC Lands and Forests

- (20) ***Assessing Forest Preserve Land***

Speaker: Paul Capone, NYS Office of Real Property Services

- (15) ***Discussion/Q&A***

Session H (Academy Room)

- **Preserving Adirondack Heritage: Economic Benefits to Communities**

Moderator: Ernest Hohmeyer, AEDC

- (30) ***Adirondack Architectural Heritage: What this really means***

Speaker: Steven Engelhart, Executive Director, AARCH

- (30) ***Downtown Preservation/Revitalization***

Speakers: William Johnston, President, AARCH, and Mary Hotaling, Executive Director, Historic Saranac Lake

- (15) ***Discussion/Q&A***

Session I (Grand Hall)• **Controlling "Junk"**

Moderator: George Canon, Supervisor, Town of Newcomb and President, AATV

(20) ***What is the Issue?***

Speaker: Brian Towers, Supervisor, Town of Wells

(20) ***Framework: Existing Regulatory Authority***

Speaker: Harry Willis, Attorney, NYS Dept. of State

(20) ***Enforcement of Local Regulations***

Speaker: James Morganson, President Northern Adirondack Code Enforcement Officers Assoc., Code Officer for North Elba and Lake Placid;

(20) ***Discussion/Q&A*****Session J (Lower Regis Room)**(15) **Railroad Development: On-Track**

Moderator: Jim Ellis, ANCA

(20) ***The Adirondack Scenic Railroad***

Speaker: Randall Fisher, Vice President, Acting General Mgr., Adirondack Scenic Railroad

(20) ***The North Creek to Tahawus Line***

Speakers: Bill Johnston, Essex County Planning Director; Bill Thomas, Supervisor, Town of Johnsbury

(20) ***The North Creek to Luzerne Line***

Speaker: Pat Beland, Director, Warren County Parks and Recreation

(15) ***Questions/Q&A*****Session K (Berkeley Room)**(16) **Making Energy Deregulation Work for You**

Moderator: Bob Stegemann, Public Affairs Manager, International Paper Company

(20) ***Overview: Electricity Deregulation in the U.S. and New York State***

Speaker, Theresa Flaim, Vice President, Strategic Planning, Niagara Mohawk Holdings, Inc.

(20) ***Customer Choice: What's in it for You?***

Speaker, Michael Meath, Vice President, Business Development and Public Affairs, Agway Energy Products

(35) ***Discussion/Q&A*****Session L (Academy Room)**• **Dealing with Imminent Threats to Public Safety**

Presenter: Jerry Clark, NYS Department of State, Division of Fire Prevention and Control

Flood, fire, ice storm, bomb or anthrax scare - what should you do first? A speaker from the NYS Department of State will identify the appropriate responses that will protect the public and municipal employees.

**Fourth Annual
ADIRONDACK
LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY
March 22-23, 2001
Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY**

Thursday, March 22

<i>12:00 - 1:00 p.m.</i>	<i>CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Grand Hall)</i>
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<i>1:00 - 4:00 p.m.</i>	<i>WORKSHOPS</i>
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- **Workshop I: Grant Funding Opportunities**

(Ball Room)

An overview of both public and privately-sponsored grant opportunities, with a focus on how to put your 'best foot forward' for your community, for economic development, infrastructure, housing rehabilitation, and other grants.

Workshop Facilitators: James Ellis, Moderator, Adirondack North Country Association; Rob Camoin, Camoin Associates; Patricia Tatich, Director, Warren County Planning Office; William Johnston, Director, Victor Putman, Associate Planner, Essex County Planning Office; Craig Randall, Trustee, Adirondack Community Trust; Jeffrey Beach, Local Waterfront Planner, NYS Dept. of State; Rosemary Redmond, Empire State Development; Dave Winchell, NYSDEC; Diane Perley, Manager, Community Assistance Program, Environmental Facilities Corporation.

- **Workshop II: Balancing Nature and Commerce in Adirondack Communities**

(Grand Hall)

Continuing the dialogue from the plenary session last year, this workshop will attempt to define what Adirondack communities can be, identify the steps and tools necessary to get there.

Facilitator: Terry Martino, Executive Director, Adirondack North Country Association
Speakers: Lani Ulrich, Communities 2000; Chris Westbrook, Director of the New York State Ranger School and President, Clifton/Fine Development Corporation; Tom Both, Supervisor, Town of Keene; George Canon, Supervisor, Town of Newcomb; JR Risley, Supervisor, Town of Inlet; Bill Thomas, Supervisor, Town of Johnsburg; Karyn Richards, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation; Janet Kennedy, Adirondack North Country Association; Ann Melious, Adirondack Regional Tourism Council; County Planner, To Be Announced. Wrap-up Speakers: Ed McMahon, Conservation Fund; John Bartow, NYS Department of State

<i>5:00 - 6:30 p.m.</i>	<i>RECEPTION at the Saranac Lake Union Depot</i> <i>Sponsor: New York Planning Federation</i> <i>Brief 'update' on railroads in the Adirondacks</i>
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Friday, March 23

8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	REGISTRATION (Grand Hall)
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9:00 - 9:15 a.m.	WELCOMING REMARKS (Ballroom)
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9:15 - 10:15 a.m.	PLENARY SESSION (Ballroom)
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- *Dr. Cornelius B. Murphy Jr., President, College of Environmental Science and Forestry, State University of New York, Syracuse.*

10:15 - 10:30 a.m.	Break
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10:30 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions A-B-C-D
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Session A (Grand Hall)

- **Controlling "Junk"**

The most-requested subject of the conference based on a Park-wide survey, this session will include a review of the aspects of the problem, including junk vehicles, dilapidated structures and other hazards and/or 'eyesores,' and what local controls are feasible.

*Moderator: Bill Thomas, Supervisor, Town of Johnsburg
Brian Towers, Supervisor, Town of Wells
Harry Willis, Associate Attorney, NYS Department of State*

Session B (Berkeley Room)

- **Starting or Updating a Community Plan**

Getting started is often the toughest part of any activity, and starting (or restarting) a planning effort for your community is no exception. What information, what approaches and perhaps most important, what are the people resources that are needed to get off the ground?

*Moderator: Richard Sage, Planning Board Chairman, Town of Newcomb
Lani Ulrich, Communities 2000
Cheryl Doble, Director of the Council for Community Design Research, SUNY ESF
David Church, Executive Director, New York Planning Federation*

Session C (Academy Room)

- **Managing Stormwater**

Planning for and regulation of stormwater, especially for shoreline areas, is a challenge for communities. This session will address the process for minimizing storm water runoff for new and existing development .

*Moderator: Alexander Gabriels III, Town Board Member, Town of Bolton
Fred Dunlap, Environmental Quality Specialist, NYS DEC
David Decker, Project Director, Lake George Project, NYS Department of State
Peter Manning, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State*

Session D (Lower Regis Room)

• **Helping Small Businesses Get Started**

Small businesses may hold the key to economic development in your community; this session will address the ways partnerships are forged to provide a positive setting for businesses to give birth and thrive.

Moderator/Speaker: Rosemary Redmond, NYS Empire State Development

John MacAbee, Regional Vice President, Adirondack Bank

Maureen Donovan, Executive Director, Warren County Regional Economic Development Corp.

Daniel Woodman, V.P. Investments, Adirondack Economic Development Corporation (AEDC)

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH (Ballroom) & MUSIC by ADIRONDACK ENSEMBLE <i>Sponsored by Niagra Mohawk Power Corporation</i>
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1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	POSTER SESSION/EXHIBITS (Grand Hall) UPDATE ON SNOWMOBILE PLAN FOR THE ADIRONDACKS (Berkeley Room)
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1:30 - 2:45 p.m.	CONCURRENT SESSIONS (E-F-G-H)
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Session E (Grand Hall)

• **Reviewing Site Plans for New Development**

OK, so your community has a plan and laws to implement the plan; how do you look at proposals for new development, and do you really know that what is being proposed is a good plan? On the planning board or zoning board of appeals, your input and your vote is crucial in permitting new development in a way which maintains the character of your town or village; are you prepared?

Peter Manning, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State

William Curran, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Adirondack Park Agency

James Hotaling, AICP, Chief of Local Government Services, Adirondack Park Agency

Session F - (Berkeley Room)

• **Permitting Telecommunications Towers**

If anything is certain, it's death, taxes, and telecommunications towers. How do you develop standards which reflect FCC requirements and local objectives? What models are out there to use?

Moderator: Deanne Rehm, Supervisor, Town of Bolton

Harry Willis, Associate Attorney, NYS Department of State

David Church, Executive Director, NY Planning Federation

Project Review Officer, Adirondack Park Agency

Session G (Academy Room)

• **Zoning Boards of Appeals - Variances and other appeals**

This session will cover the basic procedures and criteria used by the zoning board of appeals.

David Treacy, Senior Attorney, NYS Department of State

Lori Heithof, AICP, Land Use Training Manager, NYS Department of State

Session H (Lower Regis Room)

• **Preparing for the New Building Code**

Come to this session for an update on the new New York State building code.

Peter Edwards, Code Enforcement Officer, Tupper Lake

Dottie Harris, Deputy Secretary of State, NYS Department of State

Roy Scott, Assistant Director for Regional Services, Code Enforcement Div., NYS Department of State

Session I (Grand Hall)• Using Design Guidelines

Are there ways to shape development in ways which will 'fit in' to your community? Are there patterns of development and buildings which minimize public service costs, maximize the use of existing assets, and 'fit' the character of your community?

*Moderator: James Hotaling, AICP, Chief, Local Government Services, APA
Cheryl Doble, Director of the Council for Community Design Research, SUNY ESF
Dave Church, Executive Director, New York Planning Federation*

Session J (Berkeley Room)• Regulating Jet Skis and Boats

Back again this year by popular demand, this session will provide an overview of State laws and enforcement responsibilities, a discussion of ECL Section 130 and the generation of local laws, and an update on progress in two communities.

*Moderator: Rick Hoffman, Attorney, NYS Department of State
Fred Monroe, Supervisor, Town of Chester
Capt. Carol Drury, Region 5 Environmental Conservation Officers, NYSDEC
Local Official, TBA*

Session K (Academy Room)• Using Telecommunication Technology

What new systems are on the horizon, how do you use these systems to better your community, and what are the potentials for Adirondack communities?

*Moderator: George Canon, Supervisor, Town of Newcomb
Sandra Waters, Information Systems Manager, Trudeau Institute
Jo Anne Reed, JSR Associates
Alysia Miller, Training Coordinator, AEDC*

Session L (Lower Regis Room)• Enforcing Codes

"We drew up a plan, passed an ordinance, now we have to enforce it." The job of local enforcement is perhaps the one position which requires consistency, tact, knowledge and most of all, support from the governing body.

*Leonard Cook, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Newcomb
Bernard Schmelz, AICP, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
Larry Weintraub, Senior Attorney, NYS Department of State*

Local Government Day 2001 Registration Form

Name: _____ Representing _____

Address: _____ Phone _____ FAX _____

Please select workshop (Thursday) and sessions (Friday) which you plan to attend.

WORKSHOPS -THURSDAY, MARCH 22 - 1:00 to 4:00 pm (Site Registration Noon to 1:00 pm)

(PLEASE CIRCLE ONE)

I. Grant Funding Opportunities

II. Balancing Nature and Commerce

RECEPTION at 5:00 to 6:30 p.m at the Union Depot, including an update on railroad development in the Adirondacks

FRIDAY, March 23 (Site Registration at 8:30 to 9:00 a.m.)

9:00 - 9:15 a.m. WELCOMING REMARKS

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. PLENARY SESSION: Dr. Cornelius B. Murphy Jr.

10:30 a.m - 4:00 p.m. CONCURRENT SESSIONS:

(PLEASE CIRCLE ONE PER ROW)

A. Controlling 'Junk' B. Updating a Community Plan C. Stormwater D. Small Business

E. Reviewing Site Plans F. Telecommunication Towers G. Zoning Boards H. New Building Code

I. Design Guidelines J. Jet Skis/Boats K. Using Telecommunications L. Enforcing Codes

Questions/ Comments? _____

Please enclose a check for \$30.00 to cover conference registration for all sessions, Thursday evening reception and Friday lunch, payable to **Paul Smith's College**, and mail with this form to: James Hotaling, APA, Box 99, Ray Brook, NY 12977. The \$30.00 fee is for participation on either or both days.

For overnight accommodations, call 1-800-937-0211 at the Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake.

If feasible, please pre-register by March 9.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU !!

**Fifth Annual Adirondack Park
LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY
March 21-22, 2002
Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY
AGENDA**

Thursday, March 21

12:00 - 1:00 PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Grand Hall)
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1:00 - 4:00 PM	WORKSHOPS
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Workshop I (Ballroom)

- **Developing, Marketing and Promoting your Community's Assets**
This workshop will include techniques for commercial revitalization (eg helping small businesses getting started), as well as 'packaging' local assets for recreation planning and other important aspects of making the most of the obvious and hidden assets of your community.

Workshop facilitator: Terry Martino, Executive Director, Adirondack North Country Association. Other speakers: Adore Flynn Kurtz, Executive Director, Clinton County IDA; Marcy Neville, Zone Coordinator, Moriah/Port Henry Empire Zone; Dee Clark, Executive Director, Small Business Development Center, SUNY Plattsburgh.

Workshop II (Grand Hall)

- **Grants**
An overview of grant funding opportunities, what's available and who qualifies for grants at the federal and state levels and from various organizations. The second part of the workshop will focus on sewer and water grants.

Workshop Speakers: Kevin Millington, Coastal Program, NYS Department of State; Dwight Brown, Funding Coordinator, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation; Robert Ivy, Rural Development Specialist, US Dept. of Agriculture; David Miller, RUS Program Director, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Robert Brooks, Program Administrator, Governor's Office for Small Cities.

5:00 - 6:30 PM	RECEPTION at the Hotel Saranac - Grand Hall <i>Introductions: George Canon, President, Association of Adirondack Towns and Villages</i> <i>Welcome: George Miller, President, Paul Smiths, The College of the Adirondacks</i> Reception sponsored by the New York Planning Federation
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Friday, March 22

8:30 - 9:00 AM	REGISTRATION
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9:00 - 9:15 AM	WELCOMING REMARKS (Ballroom) <i>George Canon, President, Association of Adirondack Towns and Villages</i> <i>Richard Lefebvre, Chairman, Adirondack Park Agency</i>
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9:15 - 10:15 AM	PLENARY SESSION (Ballroom)
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- **Governor George E. Pataki (Invited)**
- **Military history in the Adirondack region**
Colonel David Fitz-Enz, a graduate of the U.S. Army War College and a military historian and author, will provide a highly informational presentation on the Battle of Plattsburgh.

10:15 - 10:30 AM	Break
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10:30 - 12:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions A-B-C-D
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Session A (Ballroom)

- **Starting a Community Planning Process**
Who does what ? What are the different approaches ? How do you maintain interest ?

David Church, Executive Director, New York Planning Federation;
Adore Flynn Kurtz, Director, The Development Corporation.

Session B (Grand Hall)

- **NYS Building Code**
This session will include an update on the revision of the State code and how it may impact your community.

Speaker: Roy Scott, RA, Associate Architect, Assistant Director for Regional Services, Division of Code Enforcement and Administration, NYS Department of State.

Session C (Cantwell Room - Saranac Lake Free Library (across the street from hotel))

- **APA 101 - When is a permit needed ?**

This open discussion session will provide an understanding of Agency jurisdiction and the jurisdictional inquiry (“JIF”) process, and also address violation prevention.

Speakers: Colleen Parker, Project Administrator, Mike Hannon, Environmental Program Specialist, Adirondack Park Agency.

Session D (Lower St. Regis Room)

- **Energy Costs**

This session will cover the options for lowering energy costs in your community

Speakers: Garry Douglas, CEO, Plattsburgh North Country Chamber of Commerce.

NOON - 1:00 PM	LUNCH (Ballroom)
1:00 - 1:30 PM	POSTER SESSION/EXHIBITS (Grand Hall) - includes special session on GIS mapping by APA.
1:30 - 2:45 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS (E-F-G-H)

Session E (Ballroom)

- **Design Guidelines for Siting and Planning New Development**

What are guidelines and how are they used ? What are the pluses and minuses of using such development mechanisms ?

Speakers: David Church, Executive Director, New York Planning Federation; Peter Manning, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State.

Session F - (Grand Hall)

- **‘JUNK’**

This year’s session will focus on enforcement and prosecution.

Moderator: George Canon, President, AATV; Speakers: Larry Weintraub, Senior Attorney, NYS Department of State; Mary Werner, Director, Pollution Prevention Unit, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation; Bryan Huyck, Regional Enforcement Coordinator, DEC Region 5, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

Session G (Cantwell Room - Saranac Lake Free Library)

- **Broad Band Technology**

What is and what are the developing trends in broad band technology ? How to determine your community's interests and needs.

Speakers: David Vahue, Executive Director, New York Rural Development Council, NYS Department of State; Dennis A. Graham, Director of Telecommunications Policy, Empire State Development; Thomas Sauter, Director of Project Development Development, Development Authority of the North Country; Joe Starks, President, ECC Technologies Inc .

Session H (Lower Regis Room)

- **Identifying Local Trends**

We want to know what information you feel is important for you to know about your community, and the speakers can address what information is available. This session would include a discussion of housing trends and other changing variables in our region.

Speakers: Jon Erickson, Adirondack Research Consortium; Robert Brooks, Program Administrator, Governor's Office for Small Cities; Blair Sebastian, New York Rural Housing Coalition.

2:45 - 3:00PM	BREAK
3:00- 4:15 PM	CONCURRENT SESSIONS (I-J-K-L)

Session I (Ballroom)

- **The Role and Responsibilities of Planning Boards**

What a deal ! Unpaid work during the evenings with the congratulations of all the citizens, right ? We can't do much about the money issue, but we can perhaps provide advice on making the job easier and more organized.

Speakers: Lori Heithoff, Land Use Training Manager, NYS Department of State; Larry Weintraub, Senior Attorney, NYS Department of State.

Session J (Grand Hall)

- **Snowmobiles**

This session will provide an update on the Adirondack Comprehensive Snowmobile Plan, and include a discussion of the issues involved in community snowmobile trail planning.

Speaker: Karyn B. Richards, Unit Management Planning Coordinator, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

Session K (Cantwell Room - Saranac Lake Free Library)

- **Roles and Responsibilities of the Code Enforcement Officer Focusing on Wastewater Treatment Regulations and its Enforcement**

Focusing on the enforcement of wastewater treatment regulations, this session will cover the general and special skills need in enforcement.

Speakers: Kevin Scheuer, P.E., Senior Sanitary Engineer, NYS Department of Health; Vincent M. Kavanaugh, P. E., Environmental Engineer 2, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

Session L (Lower Regis Room)

- **The Role and Responsibilities of Town and Village Boards**

This session will cover the job(s) of being where the buck stops, the job you wanted so badly, and now wonder why.

Speakers: Kevin Crawford, Counsel, New York State Association of Towns; Donna Giliberto, General Counsel, New York Conference of Mayors.

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**Sixth Annual Adirondack Park
LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY**

March 20-21, 2003

Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY

AGENDA

Thursday, March 20

9:30 – 12:00 New feature !! Basic Training Programs

Program A Overview of Planning Board Powers and Duties (Ballroom)

Speakers: Department of State: Bernard Schmeltz, AICP; Richard Hoffman, Esq.

Program B Overview of Zoning Board of Appeals Powers and Duties (Regis Room)

Speakers: Department of State: Lori Heithoff, AICP; Larry Weintraub, Esq.

Program C Overview of Elected Officials Powers and Duties (Cantwell Room)

Speakers: Kevin Crawford, Counsel, Association of Towns of New York

Wade Beltramo, Attorney, New York Council of Mayors

12:00 – 1:00 PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (Grand Hall)
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1:00 – 4:00 PM	Workshops
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Workshop I (Ball Room)

• **Grants**

An overview of grant funding opportunities, what's available and who qualifies for grants at the State and Federal levels and from various organizations.

Speakers:

Dwight Brown, Funding Coordinator, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation; Ann Marie Pzybyla, North Country Regional Advisory Officer, NYS Archives; Rob Brooks, Program Administrator, Governor's Office for Small Cities; Dave Morseman, Program Services Representative, NYS Environmental Services Corporation; Gary Turnbull, Associate Project Director, NYS Energy Research and Development Authority; John Albert, Regional Grants Rep., NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation; Scott Collins, Agricultural Policy Analyst, NYS Dept of Agriculture and Markets; Stephen Ridler, Coastal Resource Specialist, NYS Dept. of State, Coastal Division; Patrick H. Brennan, State Director, USDA Rural Development.

Workshop II (Cantwell Room, Saranac Lake Free Library)

• **State Agency roles, responsibilities and permits**

What roles do the various agencies play and what permits are required? Representatives of the Department of Environmental Conservation, Department of Health, Department of Transportation and the Adirondack Park Agency will review their mission and basic regulatory responsibilities.

5:00 - 6:30 PM	<p>RECEPTION at the Hotel Saranac - Grand Hall <i>Introductions: George Canon, President, Association of Adirondack Towns and Villages</i> <i>Welcome: George Miller, President, Paul Smiths, The College of the Adirondack</i> <i>Reception sponsored by the New York Planning Federation</i> <i>Robert Eliot, Executive Director; Mimi Rayl, Senior Planner</i></p>
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Friday, March 21

8:30 - 9:00 AM	REGISTRATION – Grand Hall
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9:00 - 9:15 AM	<p>WELCOME (Ballroom) <i>George Canon, President, Association of Adirondack Towns and Villages</i> <i>James Frenette, Interim Chairman, Adirondack Park Agency</i> <i>Honorable Elizabeth O’C. Little, New York State Senator -- Invited</i></p>
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9:15 - 10:15 AM	PLENARY SESSION (Ballroom)
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- **“Historic preservation: our past and our future”**
 Steven Engelhart, Executive Director, Adirondack Architectural Heritage

10:15 - 10:30 AM	Break
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10:30 - 12:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions A-B-C
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Session A (Ballroom)

- **Housing Trends**
 What are the current trends and demands in housing and how can your community respond to them.

Speakers: Wayne Glass, VP, Community Initiatives, Adirondack Economic Development Corporation; Representative, Division of Housing and Community Renewal;

Session B (Cantwell Room)

- **Recreation assets/Nature-based tourism**
 What are the recreational assets that can be a part of your community’s revitalization plan, and how to make it happen.

Speakers: Janet Kennedy, ANCA – Lakes to Locks, Lake Champlain Byways Program; David Cilley, Owner, St. Regis Canoe Outfitters, Saranac Lake; Dave Gillespie, Wildlands Exchange Beyond Borders – WEBB Program; Other speaker to be announced.

Session C (Lower Regis Room)

• **Community Revitalization**

What are your community's assets and how can they be packaged and marketed ?

Speakers: Deborah MacDonnell, Director of Community Development, Saranac Lake.
Lani Ulrich, Executive Director, CAP 21, Old Forge; Kathiann Tevlin, Principal, In The Woods Design Studio, Lake Placid;

<i>NOON - 1:00 PM</i>	<i>LUNCH (Ballroom)</i>
<i>1:00 - 1:30 PM</i>	<i>POSTER SESSION/EXHIBITS (Grand Hall)</i> <i>Session: Governor's Task Force on Local Government Reform</i>
<i>1:30 - 2:45 PM</i>	<i>CONCURRENT SESSIONS (D-E-F)</i>

Session D (Ballroom)

• **Senior Housing**

What are the demand trends for housing this growing segment of our population, what kinds of services are required, and how can you identify the opportunities for senior housing in your community.

Speakers: Nancy Reich, Executive Director, Comlinks, Malone; Christina Snyder, The Purcell Group, Watertown; Vera Prosper, Policy Analysis and Evaluation, NYS Office for the Aging.

Session E - (Cantwell Room - Saranac Lake Free Library)

• **Pedals, Paddles and Paths**

Getting from here to there in the Adirondacks is an enriching experience. Identifying and developing trails as local assets for recreation planning is an important developing trend.

Speakers: Lee Borland, Facilitator, Adirondack Park Mountain Biking Initiative; John Nemjo, President, Mountainman Outdoor Supply Co. Inlet; Barbara McMartin, Author, Canada Lake NY

Session F- (Lower Regis Room)

• **Small Business Ignition**

How to encourage the start of small businesses is a crucial challenge for Adirondack communities and yet in many cases the best chance for economic renewal.

Speakers: Randy Beach, Director, North Country Regional Office of NYS Dept. of Economic Development; Carol Calabrese, Jody Olcott, Co-Executive Directors, Essex County Industrial Development Agency, Elizabethtown; William Osborne, Director, Economic Development and Tourism, Hamilton County.

<i>2:45 - 3:00PM</i>	<i>BREAK</i>
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3:00- 4:15 PM

CONCURRENT SESSIONS (G-H-I)

Session G (Ball Room)

• **Affordable Housing**

What is an affordable house ? What are the trends in affordable housing demand ? What are the opportunities for providing affordable housing in your community ?

Speakers: Cheryl L. Shenkle, Executive Director, Snowbelt Housing Co. Inc.; Alan Hipps, Executive Director, Housing Assistance Program of Essex County; Nancy Reich, Executive Director, Comlinks, Malone.

Session H (Cantwell Room)

• **Snowmobiles**

What are the opportunities and challenges for developing snowmobile trails in your community ?

Speakers: Jeffrey Meyers, Senior Attorney, Counsel's Office, NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation; James Jennings, Director, NY Snowmobiling Association, Long Lake; Charles W. "Chip" Kiefer, Tourism Director, Town of Webb; Pat Beland, Director, Warren County Dept. of Parks and Recreation; Richard Bird, Bird's Marine and Real Estate, Long Lake.

Session I (Lower Regis Room)

• **Attracting Business**

While there is a history of trapping in the Adirondacks, it wouldn't hurt to review the basics of how to attract (and keep !) businesses.

Speakers: David Bradley, Deputy Director, NYS Governor's Office of Regulatory Reform; Susan Cooper, Director for Institutional Advancement, Trudeau Institute, Saranac Lake; Ernest Hohmeyer, President, Adirondack Economic Development Corporation

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ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY 2004 AGENDA

Thursday - 3/25

8:30 - 1:00	Registration		
9:00 - 12:00	Plenary Session: Adirondack GIS Users Group - Learn from the Experts (To be held in Cantwell Room of Saranac Lake Free Library)		
12:00 to 1:00	LUNCH - "On Your Own" - Sample the food at The Hotel Saranac's AP Smith Restaurant or other restaurants around town		
1:00 - 2:45 Break 3:00 - 4:00	Session 1: State Grants Moderator: John Bartow DOS Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, DEC Brownfields Grant Program, Environmental Facilities Corporation, Governor's Office for Small Cities, USDA Rural Dev. Program		Training Session 2a: Planning Board Overview (1 pm to 2:30 pm) Break Training Session 2b: Amending Zoning Laws (2:40 pm to 4 pm)
5:00 - 7:00	Reception - " Authentic Adirondack " - Adirondack Harvest and Crafts		

Friday - 3/26

8:30 - 9:00	Registration			
9:00 - 9:15	Welcoming Remarks - Ross S. Whaley, Chair, Adirondack Park Agency J. R. Risley, Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages			
9:15 - 10:30	Sessions: (3a) Brownfield Redevelopment - Barton & Loguidice/ C.T. Male/ Avalon Associates (3b) Setting up a GIS System - LA Group (3c) Community Visioning & Strategic Economic Dev. Planning - Camoin Associates (3d) Community Economic & Demographic Data -Merwin Institute/ NYS Department of Labor			
10:30 - 10:45	Break			
10:45 - 12:15	Session 4a: Grant Writing with emphasis on affordable housing grant opportunities	Session 4b: APA Jurisdiction: What Projects Need Permits?	Session 4c: Drafting a Junk Law You Can Use	Session 4d: Historic Preservation on Main Street:
12:15 - 1:30	LUNCH in the Hotel's Ballroom – Presentation on Historic Adirondack Firetowers			
1:45 - 3:00	Session 5a: Administering Successful Community Dev. Grants	Session 5b: DEC Permit Jurisdiction	Session 5c: Training - Powers & Duties of Town & Village Boards	Session 5d: Locally Based Water Quality Protection Efforts



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ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY 2005 AGENDA

Thursday - 3/24

8:30 - 9:00	Registration		
9:00 – 10:30	<p>Workshop 1: Housing - Defining the Issues Moderator: Steve Erman Panel: Alan Hipps, HAPECO Chandler Ralph, AMC Patricia Tatich, Warren Co. Planning Marilyn Ryba, Town of Queensbury</p>	<p>Workshop 2: Gov't Operations - Planning Board Basic Process Panel: Lori Heithoff, DOS Larry Weintraub, DOS</p>	<p>Workshop 3: Stormwater Permits - State & Local Perspectives Panel: Fred Dunlap, DEC Dave Wicks, Warren Co S&WCD Jennifer Carlo, Mirror Lake Watershed Ass. & Town of North Elba</p>
10:45 – 12:15	<p>Workshop 1: Housing - Basic Planning Tools & Incentives Moderator: Deb McDonnell, Village of Saranac Lake Panel: Erik Miller, DOS Wayne Glass, Center for Sustainable Tourism Rob Brooks, Office of Small Cities Keith Zimmerman, St. Lawrence County Planning</p>	<p>Workshop 2: Gov't Operations - Enforcement of Local Codes Panel: Paul Van Cott, APA Jim Morganson, Town of North Elba Don Lee, Town of Plattsburgh Steve Imhoff, Town of Plattsburgh Ed Randig, Village of Saranac Lake</p>	<p>Workshop 3: Local Permits - Local Regulation of Ridgeline Development Moderator: Jim Connolly Panel: Dave Cox, Town of Day Mat Rogers, Saratoga Associates Chris Round, Chazen Companies</p>
12:15 - 1:30	LUNCH in the Hotel's Ballroom – Presentation on the 25th Anniversary of the 1980 Winter Olympics		
1:30 – 3:00	<p>Workshop 1: Housing Track – Funding & Construction Moderator: Rosemary Redmond, Empire State Dev. Panel: Wendy Paluso, Homefront Development Corp Art Brassard, Division of Housing & Community Renewal Gary Beasley, Neighbors of Watertown, Inc. Craig Stevens, Tupper Lake National Bank</p>	<p>Workshop 2: Gov't Operations: APA Approval of a Local Land Use Program Moderator: Jim Connolly Panel: Fred Monroe, Town of Chester Mark Schachner, Esq Bill Johnston, AICP</p>	<p>Workshop 3: State Permits – Understanding APA Jurisdiction & Regulatory Changes Panel: John Banta, Counsel Barbara Rottier, Associate Counsel</p>
3:15 – 4:45	<p>Workshop 1: Housing : Historic Structures- Renovation and Reuse Moderator: Jim Hotaling Panel: Gary Beasley, Neighbors of Watertown Steven Engelhart, AARCH Joseph McGrath, DOS Codes Division Fred Hanss, St. Lawrence County Housing</p>	<p>Workshop 2: Gov't Operations – Inter-Municipal Agreements Panel: Larry Weintraub Lori Heithoff Rich Hoffman</p>	<p>Workshop 3: State Permits General Permits for Road Construction Projects Panel: Mark Migliore, DEC Tom Martin, DEC Mark Sengenberger, APA</p>
5:00 – 7:00	<p>Reception – “Taste of the Adirondacks” – Adirondack Food and Beverages Recognition of Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board Recognition of Town of Chester Recognition of Agency Approved Local Land Use Plans</p>		

Friday - 3/25		
8:30 - 9:00	Registration	
9:00 - 12:00	<p>Workshop 1: State Grants Moderator: Rick Hoffman, DOS Dept. of State Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, Kevin Millington & Andy Labruzzo DEC Brownfields Grant Program, Mike McLean Environmental Facilities Corporation, Susan Mayer & Dwight Brown Governor's Office for Small Cities, Rob Brooks Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, Joseph Grimaldi NYS Department of Ag & Mkts, Steve McGrattan NYS Division of Housing & Community Renewal, Arthur Brassard</p>	<p>Workshop 2: Adirondack GIS Users Group - Learn from the Experts "GIS Software: An Introduction and Comparison of Four Different Software Products"</p> <p>Quantum GIS Speaker: Steve Halasz, Adirondack Custom Programming</p> <p>Manifold GIS Video Presentation by Dr. Arthur Lembo, Jr., Cornell University</p> <p>MapInfo Corporation Speaker: Sabby Nayar, Industry Manager for Public Sector</p> <p>Environmental Systems Research Institute Speaker: Paul Rooney</p>



ADIRONDACK PARK LOCAL GOVERNMENT DAY

Thursday and Friday, March 23 and 24, 2006 - Hotel Saranac, Saranac Lake, NY
FINAL AGENDA

Presented by the Adirondack Park Agency in conjunction with the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board, NYS Dept. of State, NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation, Empire State Development, and the Governor's Office for Small Cities.

Special thanks to NY Planning Federation for sponsoring the Thursday evening reception.

Thursday, March 23 - Registration starts at 8:30 AM

Welcome by Richard Lefebvre, Executive Director, Adirondack Park Agency
 8:50 AM - Grand Ballroom

Track 1 - Community Housing (Grand Ballroom)

Session I - Planning for Community Housing - The Basics (9 - 10:15 AM) Moderator: Brian Grisi

- Comprehensive Planning: a short course
by Peter Manning, DOS
- Housing Needs Assessment
By James Armstrong, DHCR
- Siting Affordable Housing: Case Study - Being proactive will make a difference! Mark Bergman, Town of Johnsbury Planning Board and Brian Cassini, Housing Development Director, Comlinks

Session 2 - What's in the Planning Tool Box (10:30 - 11:45 AM) Moderator: James Connolly

- Local Zoning Tools - Peter Manning, DOS
- Local Planning Initiatives - Lisa Nagle, Elan Planning and Design, Inc.
- APA Density Provisions & Map Amendments, and Approved Local Land Use Programs - Barbara Rottier, APA.
- "Shovel Ready" Concepts for Housing, Mark Sengenberger, APA, from a preliminary site assessment to pre-application conference to approvability standards for a "Shovel Ready Site."

Track 2 - Energy Conservation and other Hot Button Issues (Academy Room)

9 AM - Exploring Alternative Technologies to Meet Small Town Infrastructure Needs Moderator: Keith McKeever.

Ann Ruzow Holland, Community Planning Advisor with Yellow Wood Associates will present a case study of a small town's project to inventory municipal infrastructure, implement alternative technologies and compare life-cycle costs.

10 AM - Energy Conservation for Public Buildings Moderator: Keith McKeever.

Scott Shipley with Community Energy Services, Inc. will discuss energy efficiency measures that save money and increase performance in public buildings. The presentation will spotlight success stories in the north county.

11 AM - The How-To's of Invasive Species Management Moderator: Daniel Spada.

Invasive Species are recognized as a major threat to the economic, ecologic and cultural health of the Park. Hilary Oles and Steven Flint with The Nature Conservancy will present an overview, BMP's and hands-on efforts to control these species. Scott Kishbaugh, DEC, will focus on efforts around the State to manage E. Milfoil describing successes and failures, and practical measures to develop methods to prevent, eradicate or control aquatic invasive species.

LUNCH (12 - 1:15 PM)

**Featured Speaker will be COLIN BLOCH, Director of Home Ownership
BURLINGTON LAND TRUST, Burlington, Vermont**

**Session 3 - The Development Process -
Tools and Actions (1:30 - 3 PM)**

Moderator: Stephen Erman

- **Types of Developers**
- **Market and Financial Feasibility**
- **Site Selection and Infrastructure**
- **Redevelopment/Construction Options**
- **Permits and Approvals Achieving Predictability**
- **Maintaining Affordability Over Time**

Panelists Include: **Fred Hanss**, Executive Director, Potsdam Planning and Development; **Duncan Barrett**, OMNI Housing Development Corp., Albany; **Michelle Capone**, Development Authority of the North Country, Watertown; **Dean Long**, The LA Group, Saratoga Springs; **Brian Cassini**, Comlinks, Malone; **Colin Block**, Burlington Land Trust.

1:30 PM - Local Planning and Zoning - The Basics

Moderator: Sarah Reynolds

Lori Heithoff and Lawrence Weintraub, NYS Dept. of State will presents local planning and zoning processes and procedures; to include discussions on appointments; enforcement officers; open meeting and making decisions.

2:30 PM - Outdoor Wood Boilers (DOS) & Open Burning (DEC)

Moderator: David Winchell.

Outdoor Wood Boilers and Open Burning have become increasingly popular and have also prompted health and safety concerns. Balancing these types of uses with the quality of neighbor life issues presents new challenges for local governments. In this session, **Peter Manning**, DOS with **Ed Bell** and **Captain John Streiff** from DEC will explore a variety of tools, tips and regulations to assist local communities.

Session 4 - Regional Resources: Who are the Players? What are the Models? (3:15 - 4:15 PM)

Moderator: Blair Sebastian, Rural Housing Coalition

June Curtis, Pride of Ticonderoga; **Alan Hipps**, Housing Assistance Program of Essex Co.; **Scott Campbell**, Friends of the North Country; and **Brian Cassini**, Comlinks, will speak on their organizations' many years of experiences in providing community based affordable housing in the Park. Including discussions on partnerships with local governments and the spectrum of new and improved housing options.

3:30 PM - Protecting Water Resources: Local Efforts

Moderator: David Winchell

Jason Haremza and Brian Slack from the **Genesee Finger Lake Regional Planning Council** will present a look at assessing local laws and practices, and how elements of local land use control such as comprehensive plans, zoning, site plan review, and other local laws can impact water resource protection.

Session 5 - Housing Round Table (4:30 - 5:00 PM)

Moderators: Blair Sebastian, Rural Housing Coalition and Alan Hipps, Housing Assistance Program of Essex County.

This final session of the day will involve all topics raised in earlier panel discussions in order to help communities better understand the strategic steps necessary to address local housing needs.

4:30 PM - Sediment Control Structures For Backroads

Moderator: David Winchell

Mark Buckley, Branch Manager with **ESPC Engineering**, Plattsburgh, has worked together with **Essex County Highway Department** and **Essex Co. Cooperative Extension** to present their initiative for backroads sediment control structures. The structures, precast by the highway department in the off-season, provide cost savings and can be easily transported for installations.

RECEPTION (5:30 - 7:00 PM) - Sponsored by the NY Planning Federation

**Please join Adirondack Park Agency Chairman Ross Whaley to celebrate with this year's "AUTHENTIC ADIRONDACK" Theme:
RUSTIC ADIRONDACK FURNITURE BUILDERS
with music provided by "The Rustic Riders"**

FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2006

Sessions Start at 8:30 AM

APA JURISDICTION & Preventing Violations from Occurring (8:30-9:30AM)

Paul Van Cott and **Sarah Reynolds**, with the **Adirondack Park Agency** will present: "Permit Processes in the Adirondack Park: Understanding APA Project Jurisdiction." Code Enforcement Officers will be eligible to receive 1-hour of In-Service Credit from the NYS DOS.

GIS WORKSHOP (8:30 - 9:30 AM)

Moderators: John Barge and Sunita Halasz
Glen Cutter with the **Clinton Co. Planning Dept.** will focus on the County's experience managing parcel data in a geodatabase; working with new roads data (ALIS Roads) from the State for use in E-911 and other applications; and providing GIS info over the web. Also offered is an update on projects and new data from the NYS GIS Clearinghouse. **John Borst** of the **NYS Office of Cyber Security and Critical Infrastructure Coordination (CSCIC)** will speak about new data and initiatives of the NYS GIS Clearinghouse, including updated State-wide aerial photography, the ALIS Roads project, and the Clearinghouse redesign. The workshop is given in partnership with the Adirondack GIS Users Group.

FORUM with elected LEGISLATIVE LEADERS (9:45 - 11:30 AM)

Join us for our final session at the Adirondack Park Local Government Days 2006 to hear from our elected legislative leaders.

We are honored to have **Senator Elizabeth Little**, **Assemblyman Chris Ortloff**, and **Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward** share their initiatives for the Adirondack Park and northern New York.

Ned Rauch from the **Press Republican** will moderate the session and open it up for questions from the audience.

Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference

Wednesday Afternoon, March 21, 2007

APA & DEC Conference Rooms
Ray Brook, New York

Thursday, March 22, 2007

Crowne Plaza Conference Center
Lake Placid, New York

*Supervisors • Mayors • Clerks • Town Boards • Village Boards • Planning Boards • Zoning Boards
Code Enforcement Officers • Zoning Administrators*

Agenda

(final agenda to be furnished at registration)

Wednesday, March 21, 2007
APA & DEC Conference Rooms
2 to 4 PM

Open House in Ray Brook

Registration starting at 1 PM in the APA reception lobby

Open House at APA & DEC

Please join us for an Open House with APA and DEC staff at the APA office in Ray Brook. Staff will provide brief presentations followed by a question and answer period. A session on State Lands will be held at the DEC conference room starting at 3 PM. Bring your questions, we'll provide the staff.

Informal Social: 5:30 pm to

At the Crowne Plaza Resort Great Room. Come join local government officials, colleagues, and staff from State Agencies in an informal get-together (registration also available during social).

Thursday, March 22, 2007
Crowne Plaza Conference Center
Lake Placid, New York

3-concurrent sessions plus GIS 1:1 session

Registration starts at 7:30 AM

**Welcome
and
Introductory Remarks
8:30 AM**

GIS Help Desk: 8:45 am – 4:45 pm

Join APA staff for a 1 to 1 help and training session on GIS. Arc 9 and ArcView 3 assistance provided for general questions and for specific projects. Bring along

projects or data for tips or a list of questions you have. Best to call ahead with your needs so staff can prepare and schedule a time with you. Walk-ups welcome, but call if you would like to setup a specific appointment time: Call Laurie: (518) 891-4050 to arrange.

8:45 am - 10 am

A. Affordable Housing

-- Projects Underway:

This session will focus on specific examples of innovative housing development projects that are being undertaken in the Adirondacks to accommodate local residents. Alan Hipps will discuss the emerging program for the Adirondack Housing Trust (AHT), an initiative using funding provided by the State of New York through the offices of Sen. Betty Little. Tom Both will discuss a proposed housing project in the Town of Keene which will likely be the first AFT project in the Park. Gregg Wallace, Town of Long Lake Supervisor, will discuss efforts to develop an affordable housing project in his Town. Finally, Mike Mitchell, a developer from Old Forge, will focus on his effort to build affordable housing "one unit at a time."

B. Creating Quality Communities:

Tools and Strategies:

This course defines Smart Growth and illustrates its key principles within the context of New York's Quality Communities Initiative. Examples of county planning that encourage inter-municipal cooperation and healthy patterns of community change are also featured. A review of several innovative land use tools allows municipalities to consider approaches of implementing the principles of Smart Growth and Quality Communities. Tools reviewed include official maps, incentive and performance zoning, planned unit development (PUD), cluster subdivision, and transfer of development rights.

C. Lakefront Camps – Demolition and Replacement Structures.

Out with the old, in with the... Those quaint shoreline camps are getting bought, torn down and replaced with someone's idea of a new Great Camp. Since many of these camps fall within the shoreline setbacks, variances and site plan review permits may be needed. Hear about the authority of Planning Boards and ZBA's in providing approvals that address concerns of neighbors and the impacts to the lake. Also Drew Monthie, Ecologic Consultant, will provide tips for maintaining a vegetative shoreline.

10:30 am - 11:45 am

A. Affordable Housing

-- Local Laws and Park Issues:

The density provisions in the APA Act and the Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan create both special challenges and opportunities for developers seeking to create affordable housing. In this session, APA staff will detail how the Agency's density rules work and how knowledgeable developers can take advantage of density bonus and clustering provisions. The interplay between the Agency's land use programs and those of local government will also be discussed. The session will identify specific examples of how available density can be clustered and how community housing can otherwise be facilitated through State/local partnerships.

B. Communication Towers;

a joint DOS/APA Presentation:

In 1996 Congress enacted a sweeping telecommunications act that included restrictions on the municipal regulation of wireless communication facilities. This session will address APA jurisdiction and permitting together with the adoption of local laws to regulate wireless facilities, aesthetic issues in the siting of wireless communication towers, and the Federal

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preemption in the area of the health effects of radio frequency emissions.

C. Community Wildland Fire

Protection:

Increasingly homes, second homes and businesses are being constructed in areas just within or abutting the forests of the Adirondacks, raising the risk of loss of life and property from wildland fires. DEC Forest Rangers will provide information on basic practices homeowners, homeowner associations, and municipalities can take to reduce the risks from wildland fires. What can you do when designing and constructing homes? What materials should you use? What landscaping design and techniques should you practice? How do you make your property accessible for fire fighting equipment? How can communities assist residents in undertaking these practices?

Also: Protect Your Community - An Action Plan for Invasive Plants:

Hilary Oles presents steps local governments can take to prevent introductions of invasive plants and limit their spread.

Lunch: Noon to 1:30 pm

**Guest Speaker
To Be Announced**

1:45 to 3 pm

A. Thinking of an APA Approved Local Land Use Plan? Think first with a Comprehensive Plan:

This session will begin with a discussion by DOS staff on the practical and legal reasons for adopting a comprehensive plan. Included will be the importance of involving the public in the development of the plan, steps leading to the adoption of a comprehensive plan, plan contents and sources of information. So, how do you get a Comprehensive Plan for you community? The presentation will also include information from the private sector on the services available to assist communities in funding and implementation of a Plan. APA staff will provide the basics of an Agency approved local land use program and the process to achieve it.

B. State Funded Community Enhancement Projects – GRANTS!

Tourism – Visioning - Master Plans - Housing Rehabilitation: Hear from Adirondack Communities on their DOS, GOSC and HUD grants:

Clifton and Fine: Using funds from the Environmental Protection Fund - Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, the Towns of Clifton and Fine are working with the Wildlife Conservation Society's Adirondack Communities and Conservation Program to develop a revitalization strategy for the Oswegatchie River and Cranberry Lake waterfront area. The project is a comprehensive approach to promote sustainable tourism-based economic development by increasing opportunities for water-based recreation while protecting water quality.

Horicon: With assistance from the Laberge Group, the Town of Horicon received a U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development grant to commence a community visioning program and develop a new Master Plan.

Willsboro: With funding received from the Governor's Office of Small Cities, the Town of Willsboro in conjunction with the Housing Assistance Program of Essex County is able to continue their community housing rehabilitation projects to benefit local residents.

C. Adirondack Park Regional

Assessment Project:

The AATV and ANCA will present plans now underway for a regional assessment of infrastructure and economic development issues faced by towns and villages in the Adirondack Park. In the project, community infrastructure considered important for economic development—such as water, sewer, electric, road, solid waste, storm drainage, recreational amenities, and communication facilities—will be inventoried and compared across the Park. The study will culminate in a survey of community leaders early in 2008, but your input is needed now. Your views on ways to measure community health will be an important part of the project. Tough issues and bold initiatives will be explored.

3:30 – 4:45pm

A. Still have Questions?

APA staff will be available for an open question and answer period.

B. SEQRA - Introduction to the State Environmental Quality Review Act

A joint presentation by DOS and DEC: Have you been wondering what this "seeker" thing is, or what a Type I, Type II or Unlisted Action is? This session will include a review of the regulations and the role of municipal boards in complying with SEQRA. It will also address how SEQRA relates to municipal planning. Current case law will also be reviewed.

C. Applied Information Needs for the Adirondacks:

The Adirondack Research Consortium along with its partners, ANCA, APA and the Adirondack Ecological Center, is working with local governments, regulatory agencies, consultants and academic researchers to bridge the disconnect between information producers and information consumers. The project is designed to bring these stakeholders together in an ongoing forum to identify information needs, focus research, build research partnerships, leverage funding, interpret research results, and provide training in practical applications of the research. This session will advance efforts begun at the November RCAPS Workshop by reviewing the goals, a presentation of the initial list of information needs, description of future actions, and solicitation of additional items of use to local governments.

***Registration Form
on the
following page,***

***or
available on website:
www.apa.state.ny.us***

Please register early!

***We look forward to seeing you
at Local Government Day!
Wednesday & Thursday,
March 21 & 22, 2007***

Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference

Tuesday, March 25, 2008

APA & DEC Conference Rooms

Ray Brook, New York

Wednesday, March 26, 2008

Crowne Plaza Conference Center

Lake Placid, New York

***Supervisors • Mayors • Clerks • Town Boards • Village Boards • Planning Boards • Zoning Boards
Code Enforcement Officers • Zoning Administrators***

Special Sessions - Tuesday, March 25 - Open to all who are interested

No registration fees for these sessions however please register on the attached form or as noted below.

APA Jurisdiction and Project Review Trail

10 AM to Noon at APA Headquarters, Ray Brook

Meet Agency staff and follow a project proposal from the moment it gets submitted to the Agency for a jurisdictional determination, through initial resource identification, to project review, impact analysis, permit issuance and compliance checks. This will be a hands-on guided tour of the Agency's project review process involving the Agency's project review officer, engineer, soils scientist, legal staff, wetlands scientist and economic analyst.

Introduction to GIS Web Services

1:30 to 4:30 PM at APA Headquarters, Ray Brook

This workshop will introduce attendees to the fundamental concepts of GIS web services and raise awareness of the means of leveraging the Internet to utilize geographic data without having to host the GIS data and/or develop necessary tools. Topics to be incorporated in this workshop include explanation of the web services and the basics of data use via web service platforms. Demonstrations will cover the existing methods of integrating GIS data with web services as well as various web service types and their application. In addition, attendees will learn about current New York State programs and available resources for use in the integration of web service and GIS technologies.

Advance registration is necessary as seating is limited to the first 50 people. Please register online, *for this session only*, at:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=R5p8XyRMCYOKg3nc3JV_2ffQ_3d_3d **Or** on the attached registration form.

Energy: It's New Building Codes, Policies and Programs – And They All Will Affect You!

1:30 to 4:30 PM, 3 sessions, DEC Headquarters, Ray Brook

1. The NYS Energy Code – Updates, Issues & Importance for the Adirondack Community

Mike DeWein, Technical Director, Building Codes Assistance Project/Alliance to Save Energy

Mike will give an update on aspects of the New York State Energy Code and why this is important to Towns and Villages in the Adirondacks. He will address problems with code implementation and discuss some proposed solutions, including increased training opportunities for code officers.

2. Energy Policies: Challenge, Change and Opportunities for Adirondack Communities (Panel)

Sue Montgomery Corey, Executive Director, Community Power Network

This panel will explore energy policy changes and how those affect Adirondack families and communities. As energy costs remain high and the state and federal government work to meet the challenge of climate change, Adirondack towns and villages will need to understand how energy policy is changing and develop effective strategies for meeting that challenge. The panel will discuss the Governor's 15 by 15 energy goals, New York's new Energy Efficiency and Renewable Portfolio Standards as well as state and federal efforts to help low-income citizens meet their energy burden.

3. NYSERDA Programs to Help Your Community Save Energy

Ann Heidenreich, Executive Director, Community Energy Services/North Country Energy Smart Communities Coordinator

The New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) offers technical and financial assistance in the residential, commercial, and institutional sectors, including to local governments. This presentation offers an overview of programs and incentives available from NYSERDA to assist New Yorkers meet the challenges we face in the energy sector and achieve new efficiency and carbon reduction mandates established by the State government.

Social & Reception - Crowne Plaza Resort Great Room, 5:30 pm to

Join APA Chairman Curt Stiles, DEC Commissioner Alexander "Pete" Grannis, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board Executive Director Fred Monroe, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages President Bill Farber and local government officials, colleagues and staff from State Agencies for an informal get-together.

Also invited will be the announced recipients of the Adirondack Park Community Smart Growth Program Grant Awards and members of the Common Ground Alliance of the Adirondacks. It should be a great evening a wonderful kickoff to the 11th annual Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference.

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* * * **Revised Schedule for Wednesday** * * ***Local Government Day Conference Sessions****Wednesday - March 26, 2008**

*Registration begins at 7:30 AM - Coffee and Tea provided
All sessions at the Crowne Plaza Resort and Conference Center, Lake Placid, NY
3-concurrent sessions (A, B, & C) plus GIS 1:1 Help Desk*

Welcome & Introductory Remarks
8:30 AM – March 26, 2008

Keynote Presentation: DEC Commissioner Alexander “Pete” Grannis - 8:45 to 9:15 AM

Commissioner Grannis will share his thoughts on the Adirondack Park, the Community Smart Growth Program, other issues pertaining to the health and vitality of the Park, its communities and its future. The presentation will be followed with an informal meeting with Commissioner Grannis before the regular sessions begin at 9:45 AM.

Refreshments will be served in the Great Room - 9:15 - 9:45 AM

Special Sessions: GIS Help Desk: all day 9:45 am – 4:30 pm

Join APA and CSCIC staff for a 1 to 1 help and training session on GIS. Arc 9 and ArcView 3 assistance provided for general questions and for specific projects. Bring along projects or data for tips or a list of questions you have. Best to call ahead with your needs so staff can prepare and schedule a time with you. Walk-ups welcome, but call if you would like to setup a specific appointment time. Call Robyn: (518) 891-4050 to arrange or sign-up on the day on the event.

Session 1 - 9:45 – 11:00 AM

(Concurrent Sessions)

A. Community Housing:

For the past few years, we have presented forums, workshops and training programs which focused on the need for workforce or community housing in the Park. Now, in its first year of existence, the Adirondack Community Housing Trust (ACHT) has projects planned for four Adirondack Park communities. Hear about ACHT's goals, its emerging programs, and its initial projects in this presentation by ACHT Executive Director Alan Hipps.

B. Shoreline Development - Minimizing Impacts

Shoreline development and redevelopment continues to be a major issue in many communities. Is the stormwater plan adequate? Will the septic systems impact the lake water quality? Will the new structure be too visible? Will it block the neighbors view? Should there be more trees on the shoreline....? The toolbox of readily available measures to mitigate impacts to the natural resources is well established. But, do you know your authority to require those measures? What Planning Boards and ZBA's can do to ensure the approval for shoreline developments will address impacts to water quality and protect the visual characteristics of the shoreline.

C. Enforcement of Zoning Laws:

Municipalities make all sorts of rules, including junk car laws, site plan review, subdivision regulations, and zoning. At this session we will discuss the role of the enforcement officer in enforcing these regulations, from receiving complaints to sentencing or fining of violators. The session will address the relationship of the enforcement official to the zoning board of appeals. Enforcement actions will also be addressed, including responding to complaints, inspections of private property, and interaction with violators. We'll also discuss the effect of a zoning appeal on the enforcement action, as well as judicial enforcement of violations. Attorneys will receive 1.5 hour of Continuing Legal Education in the area of Professional Practice.

Session 2 - 11:15 AM – 12:30 PM**A. Broadband & Telecommunications – Park-wide Accessibility:**

Ready access to high speed, quality telecommunications is typically mentioned as important to quality-of-life and community welfare throughout the Adirondack Park. This session will discuss the latest available broadband and cellular telephone technologies and a range of issues affecting their deployment in the Adirondacks. The panel will include: Howard Lowe, Project Director, CBN Connect and Director of Economic Development, Technical Assistance Center (TAC) at SUNY Plattsburgh; Dan Corcoran, Acting Director of IT Infrastructure Delivery Services, NYS Office for Technology; Verizon Wireless (*tentative*); and, Mark Sengenberger, Deputy Director for Regulatory Programs, NYS Adirondack Park Agency..

B. Smart Growth - Planning & Design

This session will examine local land use tools which lead to improved development using "Smart Growth" principles. The principals of Conservation Subdivisions with specific examples of zoning ordinances that provide benefits to the community while saving costs for the developer will be discussed by Brad Birge, City of Saratoga Springs Planning Department. Mike Winslow from the Lake Champlain Committee will present ideas for developing "Water Smart" community infrastructure which enhances open space while providing for improved control of non-point source pollution.

C. Outdoor Wood Boilers – A Joint Dept. of State and the Dept. Environmental Conservation Presentation

Outdoor wood boilers (also known as outdoor wood-burning furnaces) have recently become a popular alternative to traditional methods of home heating. However, the increasing number of these units across the state has prompted environmental and health concerns. Balancing this type of use with the quality of neighborhood life presents new challenges for local governments. In this session, we will explore a variety of tools and tips to assist local communities in meeting these challenges. This will be a co-presentation by Dept. of State and the Dept. Environmental Conservation. Code Enforcement Officers will receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit from the Office of Fire Prevention & Control.

Lunch: 12:30 to 1:30 pm
Presentation of Recognition Award

Session 3 - 1:45 to 3 PM**A. Smart Growth - Supporting State Programs**

New York State and the Adirondack Park need to grow in a responsible, efficient, and sustainable manner that enhances economic competitiveness, environmental protection and quality of life. In order to achieve this goal the State is committed to implementing "Smart Growth" principals. These principles encourage mixed land uses, create a range of housing opportunities, direct development to areas best suited to sustain growth, foster distinctive, attractive communities with a strong sense of place, preserve open space, agricultural land and critical environmental areas and encourage community and stakeholder collaboration in development decisions.

State policies, practices and capital investments have and will continue to shape land use patterns and economic development throughout the Park. State officials including Matthew J. Millea, Acting President, NYS Environmental Facility Corporation on the Revolving Loan Fund; Roseanne W. Murphy, Empire State Development, Plattsburgh Regional Office on the Restore Program; Andrew Labruzzo, Coastal Resources Specialist, NYS Department of State, on the Waterfront Revitalization Program; and Christopher Leo, Senior Community Developer for Policy and Programs, Office for Small Cities on the CDBG - HUD program; will discuss grant programs and creative strategies that address aging infrastructure, main street revitalization, affordable housing, energy conservation, green buildings and waterfront revitalization.

B. SHPO: Addressing Significant Historic And Archeological Resources In Land Use Decisions

What is an historic resource and how do you identify it? Understanding the need for archaeological review? The SEQRA process & SHPO/OPRHP's role. How SHPO/OPRHP and local planning and zoning boards interact in the land use and development review process. Staff from the State Historic Preservation Office of OPRHP will provide a workshop on addressing significant historic and archeological resources in zoning actions and offer ways to benefit communities through Historic Preservation and the Heritage Tourism Industry.

C. Mock Planning Board Meeting - Act I

Now that we have site plan review, what do we do with it?" At this session we will take the audience through the site plan review process from the first meeting with the enforcement officer, through meetings with the board, the public hearing, and finally to the vote and filing of the decision of the board. We will review an application for a convenience store with fuel pump. Come prepared to participate. *Please plan on attending both Act I and Act II later this afternoon as the information carries from one to the other.*

Refreshments served in the Great Room**Session 4 - 3:30 – 4:45 PM****A. Energy Smart Park Initiative**

The Energy Smart Park Initiative (ESPI) is a partnership of over 20 agencies, non-governmental organizations, municipalities, academic institutions, and businesses formed in 2006 to address issues related to energy production and use in New York's Adirondack Park region. ESPI promotes reliable, affordable, environmentally sound energy options that benefit all Adirondack residents and visitors by working to increase energy efficiency and local energy production from renewable resources. Mike DeWein will give an overview of ESPI's work plan and current activities, including the Advanced Codes Project in Lake Placid, the Biomass Energy Project, efforts at building capacity in local governments for energy management, and activities focused on assisting Adirondack towns and villages control their energy costs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by assessing, benchmarking, and reducing energy consumption.

B. Adirondack Issues - An Open Forum

You got questions...we got answers! This past fall, when we sent out a survey seeking topics to present at the conference, many officials wrote in specific issues to be addressed. While we did not have space to devote a session to each topic mentioned, we wanted to provide you the opportunity to discuss those issues in an open forum. Representatives from the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages, Adirondack Park Agency, Adirondack Park Local Government Review, and Department of Environmental Conservation, Department of State, Empire State Development and other agencies will be available to ask questions of and listen to your concerns for the future of the Park.

C. Mock Planning Board Meeting - Act II

Stay tuned for the exciting continuation of Act I!

Registration information is available on website: www.apa.state.ny.us

Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 24 & 25, 2009

at the

Crowne Plaza Resort & Golf Club

Grandview B Conference Room

Lake Placid, New York

Highlights

Tuesday, March 24, 2009

Program begins at 1 PM

Special session on Tuesday is open to all who are interested

No registration fees for the Tuesday session, however please register to ensure adequate facilities are available.

Welcome

*Curt Stiles, Chairman, Adirondack Park Agency, and
Brian Towers, President, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages*

Special Program Session

Given the Federal Stimulus Program, the Tuesday afternoon session will include an expanded program to provide information on the many State programs available. The session will also include a report by DEC and APA on issues identified in the LGD survey for presentation topics, information on State sign laws and a presentation on the 511 Travel Information Service.

Social & Reception

Begins at 5:30 PM in the Crowne Plaza Resort Great Room

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Tuesday, March 24, 2009 -- Detailed Agenda

1 PM - Welcome

Curt Stiles, Chairman, Adirondack Park Agency, and
Brian Towers, President, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages

1:15 to 2 PM - Report on Requested State Agency Issues

DEC Boat Launches - Betsy Lowe, NYSDEC

DEC Air Regulations - Rich Wagner, NYSDEC

DEC State Land Issues - Rob Davies, NYSDEC

- Dillenburg Ruling
- State Land Acquisition
- Public Use of Easement Lands
- Unit Management Plans
- Snowmobile Trails - Use, Planning & Maintenance
- Sign Laws under ECL - Overview

- Outdoor Wood Boilers
- Open Burning Regulation

Adirondack Park Agency

- State Land Classification Process - Rick Weber
- Sign Regulation - Steve Erman

2 to 2:45 PM - 511 Travel Information Service

Todd Westhuis and Mary Harding, New York State Department of Transportation will present the 511 Travel Information Service that will be available throughout New York State and the greater New York City metro commuter area. 511 New York is a free, one-stop, all-encompassing telephone and Web service offering authoritative information on transportation services and conditions throughout New York State. It operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. 511 NY provides dynamic information on traffic and weather conditions; a transit trip planner spanning multiple service providers with information on schedules, routes, and park-and-ride lots; carpool, vanpool and ride-share referrals; tourism links, bicycling information and more.

2:45 to 3 PM - Break

3 to 4:30 PM - Federal Stimulus Program

Tony Giardina, Secretary for Regional Affairs at the Governor's office will present an overview of the State efforts to implement projects in towns and villages in northern New York.

Matthew Millea, Acting President of the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, will speak about "The Fight for Funding - Water and Sewer Finance -- Federal Stimulus and Beyond." Mr. Millea will be discussing how the economic recovery legislation increased funding for wastewater and drinking water projects via the State Revolving Fund programs. He will further discuss details on what manner these funds will be allocated to communities throughout New York State and the urgent need for continued Federal funding for our nation's aging water infrastructure.

Lynn M. Kopka, Assistant Commissioner and Capital Region Director, New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal will discuss project opportunities to be funded through NYS DHCR.

Elizabeth Lowe, Regional Director, Region 5, Department of Environment Conservation, will discuss the funding opportunities for projects by DEC.

Mark Sengenberger, Director of Regulatory Programs, Adirondack Park Agency, will discuss the permitting process for those "Stimulus" projects requiring an Agency permit and steps towards achieving a smooth regulatory review.

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Social & Reception - Begins at 5:30 PM in the Great Room of the Crowne Plaza Resort

Join Adirondack Park Agency Chairman Curt Stiles, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board Executive Director Fred Monroe, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages President Brian Towers and local government officials, colleagues and staff from State Agencies for an informal get-together.

Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference

Wednesday, March 25, 2009

Crowne Plaza Resort & Golf Club
Lake Placid, New York

Agenda

*Registration begins at 7:30 AM - Coffee and Tea provided
All sessions at the Crowne Plaza Resort and Golf Club, Lake Placid, NY
3 concurrent sessions (A, B, & C) plus GIS 1:1 Help Desk
Exhibitors and refreshment breaks in the Sky Room*

Welcome & Introductory Remarks ***8:30 AM***

Local Government Day Conference Sessions

GIS Help Desk: all day 9 am – 4:45 pm

Great Room

Join APA staff John Barge and Matt Kendall with Warren County GIS specialist Sheri Norton for a one-to-one help and training session on GIS. Arc 9 and ArcView 3 assistance will be provided; come with questions or specific projects. Walk-ups welcome and a signup sheet will be available to request specific appointment times during the day.

8:45 - 10 AM

(Concurrent Sessions)

A. Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project – The Facts and Nothing but the Facts **Olympic Room 1/2**

Moderator: Brian Towers. In the past year, the Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project conducted a community survey and collected data from towns and villages throughout the Park. The Adirondack North Country Association, in partnership with the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages and the towns of Arietta and Chester, received a Quality Communities grant from the NYS Department of State to complete a planning inventory and analysis study on behalf of all municipalities located wholly or partially within the Park. Committee members Brad Dake and Jim Martin will present data and trends from the report. While the amount of information to be presented in this session will limit opportunity for questions, a follow-up session is intended to address this need.

B. Comprehensive Planning

Olympic Room 4

Moderator: Keith McKeever. New York's zoning enabling statutes all require that zoning laws be adopted in accordance with a Comprehensive Plan. Although the Comprehensive Plan is the backbone for the local zoning law, it can be much more. John Clarke, Development and Design Coordinator for the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development, will provide examples of regional and community-scale planning, as well as site design alternatives. As the principal author of Greenway Connections, he will also offer models to help communities develop a vision for their future that enhances both economic development and ecological objectives. A Comprehensive Plan can achieve community consensus on the overall principles and specific design tools to guide town growth. This session will provide creative ideas for those engaged in developing a Comprehensive Plan or looking to start any planning process.

C. Ethical Considerations for Decision Making by Planning and Zoning Boards**Olympic Room 3**

Moderator: Steve Erman. Join Mark Schachner, attorney with Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC for a training session on the Ethical Considerations for Decision Making by Planning and Zoning Boards. Mark has extensive experience and knowledge and represents many Adirondack Towns in their land use actions.

10:30 - 11:45 AM**A. Broadband & Telecommunications – Access, Access, Access...****Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Mark Sengenberger. The status of wireless communications in the Park and access to broadband have topped the list of conference interest topics every year. In the last year several new towers have been installed in the Park and several more are planned. The technology is changing, installations and permitting are becoming more routine, and companies are turning to smaller markets that still lack coverage as a way to expand their business. Hear Elizabethtown Town Supervisor Noel Merrihew discuss the process that the Town followed in order to get an important new cell tower installed and the effects of that improvement on the Elizabethtown area. Robert Durantini, Telecom Services Manager for the Development Authority of the North Country will discuss DANC's Open Access Telecom Network and Howard Lowe, President of CBN Connect, Inc. and a member of the Governor's Broadband Council, will discuss planning coordination and development efforts to extend broadband to wider areas of the Adirondack Park.

B. Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project – Questions?**Olympic Room 1/2**

Moderator: Robert Elliott. The information collected in the APRAP community survey is extensive. In continuing the APRAP report findings from the earlier session, this presentation will provide a quick overview of the project and afterwards the session will be opened to questions from the audience. (See APRAP session from 8:45 AM.)

C. Planning and Zoning Case Law**Olympic Room 3**

Riele Morgiewicz, an attorney from the Department of State and Christopher Eastman will discuss the latest developments in state and federal courts in the area of land use. They will discuss current judicial trends in decision making, as well as how judicial decisions in other parts of the state impact local planning boards, zoning boards of appeals, and governing bodies. New and relevant opinions issued by the Attorney General, Comptroller, and Committee on Open Government will also be discussed.

Lunch: Noon to 1:30 pm***Report on DEC Commissioner's Adirondack Steering Committee (AATV);******Recognition Award;
and******Keynote Presentation by******Fred LeBrun******Freelance Columnist***

1:45 to 3 PM**A. New 2008 APA Regulations****Olympic Room 1/2**

Moderator: David Winchell. On December 31, 2008 five APA regulatory revisions took effect. The regulations provide definitions for the terms "Floor Space" and "Hunting and Fishing Cabin." They also affect APA subdivision jurisdiction "involving wetlands" and for "subdivisions along rights of way" and "expansion of non-conforming shoreline structures." APA staff Brian Grisi and Rita Quinn will explain the new regulations; associated procedures, forms and transition guidance, and provide examples to illustrate the new rules.

B. Municipal Programs to Conserve Energy Usage and Reduce Operating Costs**Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Larry Phillips. Rhett Lamb, Planning Director in Keene, New Hampshire and Mike DeWein Technical Director for the Alliance to Save Energy will present opportunities and programs for communities to reduce their

energy use. Rhett presented a program at The Wild Center last summer that was inspirational in illustrating the ways a small community can effectively alter its energy use to reduce its carbon footprint and benefit its bottom line by reducing the need for fuels and energy. Mike cites the tremendous potential to save energy, money and create jobs in communities around improving energy efficiency in our buildings. In working with the Energy Smart Park Initiative and allied businesses, he is promoting the development of Community Energy Efficiency Management and Managers who will provide a service and help empower communities to take advantage of energy efficiency. It is a timely message from two experts with experience and knowledge.

C. Site Plan Review and Special Use Permits

Olympic Room 3

Presenters: Riele Morgiewicz and Christopher Eastman, NYS DOS. This course is an overview of the statutory authority to review site plans and special use permits. It addresses the scope and content of a proper "site plan," as well as the status of special use permits as a zoning tool. Several design issues will also be addressed.

3:30 - 4:45 PM

A. Regional Tourism / Bringing it to Your Community

Olympic Room 1/2

Moderator: Ron Ofner. The Adirondack Museum and The Wild Center are key regional attractions which bring thousands of people to the center of the Adirondack Park each year. While not all communities can have attractions at the scale of an Adirondack Museum or a Wild Center, we can all benefit from the facility and program planning examples set by these two institutions. We can also benefit from learning about special seasonal events like the Adirondack Canoe Classic, the "90 Miler" which has drawn huge numbers of participants and spectators en-route between Old Forge and Saranac Lake annually for the past 25 years, as well as the Adirondack Bank Sled Dog Races in Inlet. This session will look at the opportunities for expanding regional tourism and the related economic benefits which can accrue to involved communities.

B. Community Planning in Park

Olympic Room 4

Moderator: James Connolly. Join local government officials, consultants and APA staff in a program and discussion of the many elements involved in community planning. APA staff will present information on amendments to the APA Land Use and Development Plan Map and approved local land use programs. Rob Camoin, of Camoin and Associates and Melissa McManus, Community Development Consultant will discuss economic considerations in town planning. Also Roger Trancik, Urban Design Consultant and Bill Johnston, former Essex County Planning Director, will describe current efforts to produce a Phase 3 of the Hamlets of Adirondacks Project, Phases 1 and 2 of which were produced in the 1980's. Roger Trancik was responsible for producing the Phase 1 and 2 publications that resulted from efforts initiated by Bill Johnston and Jim Hotaling to raise awareness of the need for hamlet revitalization. The Phase 3 project will focus on issues associated with hamlet expansion. A Town Plan can have many parts and serve many purposes. This session is designed to provide discussions on what can be achieved through town planning in the Park.

C. Enforcement of Zoning and Other Local Laws

Olympic Room 3

Presenters: Riele Morgiewicz and Christopher Eastman, NYS DOS. Municipalities make all sorts of laws, regulations, and rules, including junk car laws, site plan review, subdivision regulations, and zoning. This session will discuss the role of the enforcement officer in enforcing these regulations, from receiving complaints to sentencing or fining of violators. The session will address the relationship of the enforcement official to the zoning board of appeals. Enforcement actions will also be addressed, including responding to complaints, inspections of private property, and interaction with violators. The effect of a zoning appeal on the enforcement action, as well as judicial enforcement of violations will also be discussed.

We wish you a great and productive day. Please complete the evaluation forms for sessions you attend and offer suggestions to help us plan next year's event.

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Tuesday, March 22, 2010 - 1 to 5 PM

Crowne Plaza, Lake Placid, NY - Olympic Room 1 & 2

Park Stewardship – Park Future

1 to 2:20 PM

A forum on State Forest Preserve Lands, Private Lands and Conservation Easement Lands in the Park. Moderated by Brian Towers. APA DEC and DOT staff describe their role and responsibilities in the administration of lands within the Park: Rick Weber, Assistant Director of Planning, APA; and Rob Davies Director of Lands and Forests, DEC; Ed Frantz, Adirondack Park and Forest Preserve Manager, DOT. A question and answer period will follow.

2:25 to 2:45 PM

Matthew Driscoll, President and CEO of the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation Introduced by Cathy Moses. Mr. Driscoll will highlight EFC programs that provide financial and technical assistance for community infrastructure projects. Mr. Driscoll will provide a brief presentation with an opportunity for questions and answers afterwards.

2:45 to 3 PM

Refreshment Break with coffee and tea

3 to 5 PM

A panel discussion offering perspectives on the Park, its communities and its future. Moderated by Bill Farber. Join prominent members of the Adirondack community as they share their individual perspectives on the Park. Guests: Tom Both, Chair of the Adirondack Harvest and former Supervisor Town of Keene; Dick Booth, APA Commissioner; Mike Carr, The Nature Conservancy; Joe Martens, The Open Space Institute/ORDA; Ross Whaley, Adirondack Landowners Association and former APA chairman.

Evening Social & Reception

Crowne Plaza Resort Great Room, 5 PM to ...

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Crowne Plaza, Lake Placid, NY

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All sessions at the Crowne Plaza Resort, Lake Placid, NY
Three concurrent sessions (A, B, & C) plus GIS Help Desk*

Welcome & Introductory Remarks - 8:30 AM

Olympic Room 1 & 2

Presented by the: Adirondack Park Agency, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board, NYS Department of State, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and the Empire State Development Corporation.

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8:45 - 10 AM*(Concurrent Sessions)***A. Broadband****Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Bill Farber. Broadband access for individuals and businesses is a significant discussion topic at Local Government Day every year. It involves ready-access to the Internet at light speed through technologies which typically involve fiber-optic and wireless systems. Accessible and affordable broadband is increasingly being viewed as critical regional infrastructure which must be in place in order to improve the economies of Adirondack Park communities. This year we will hear about the regional economic importance of broadband from Kelly Chesum and Kevin Lynch of Clarkson University. Steve Erman, the APA's Special assistant for Economic Affairs will then review the current status of regional broadband projects proposed by DANC/ION and CBN Connect, Inc. and Mark Luciano, Regional Representative for Congressman Scott Murphy will review major broadband initiatives being advanced by the Congressman. Finally, two local entrepreneurs, Fred Engelmann of Chester and Herb Longware of Willsboro will discuss their strategies for connecting the "last mile" in each of their communities.

B. Community Planning and Organizing**Olympic Room 1 & 2**

Moderator: Mark Hall. It's one thing to hire a consultant; it's quite another to build a community support team and keep them motivated to achieve long-term planning goals. Building community support, organizing volunteers, developing programs, seeking funding sources... several communities have achieved great successes. Elizabeth Cooper, Community Development Coordinator for the Town of Fine and Jim La Valley with ARISE, a community organizing group formed to bring back downhill skiing to Big Tupper in Tupper Lake, will present their methods and accomplishments in building support for community projects.

C. SEQRA for Decision Making by Planning and Zoning Boards**Olympic Room 3**

Moderator: Linda Kemper. Join Mark Schachner, attorney with Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC for a training session on the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) for decision making by Planning and Zoning Boards. Mark has provided his extensive experience and knowledge of SEQRA to many Adirondack Towns in their land use actions and decision-making.

10 to 10:30 AM - Refreshment Break in the Sky Room**10:30 - 11:45 AM****A. Perspectives on the Adirondack Park Economy****Olympic Room 3**

Moderator: Gerald Delaney. In follow-up to the recently released report and data base from the "Adirondack Park Regional Assessment Project," there is growing focus on the strengths, weaknesses and opportunities which will shape the Park's economy and tax base in the future. This panel discussion will provide a number of perspectives on the Park's economy and the challenges ahead for regional economic improvement. Panelists include: Garry Douglas, President, Plattsburgh-North Country Chamber of Commerce; Kate Fish, Executive Director, Adirondack North Country Association; Peter Wohl and James Fayle, Regional Directors, Empire State Development; and, Steve Erman, Economic Advisor, Adirondack Park Agency.

B. Hamlets of the Adirondacks 3: The Process for Smart Hamlet Expansion**Olympic Room 1 & 2**

Moderator: Mark Hall. Roger Trancik, Urban Design Consultant, and Bill Johnston, former Essex County Planning Director, will describe the design elements being incorporated into Phase 3 of the "Hamlets of Adirondacks" project. This study is very timely because many communities in the Adirondack Park have expressed a need for additional areas for residential and commercial growth, particularly in regard to affordable housing. "Hamlets 3" examines three case studies using examples from Adirondack hamlets and villages to inform the design of growth areas by building on existing

community centers. This has two important benefits: one, it enables the community to integrate land suitable for development into the fabric of the existing hamlet, thus availing itself of the benefits of “smart,” “green” growth; and, two, it complements the protection of forests, farmlands and other forms of open space through the avoidance of visually unappealing and resource inefficient sprawl and strip development. The study is a DEC-funded Adirondack Community Smart Growth Project sponsored by the Adirondack Community Housing Trust.

C. Challenging Issues: ask the Department of State Local Government Staff

Olympic Room 4

Moderator: Robert Edwards. Riele Morgiewicz and Catherine Hamlin from the Department of State Local Government staff are always willing to provide assistance with challenging issues. That is why they want to hear from you about a land use issue that has challenged your town. For those who submitted a question already, great – otherwise there may be time for additional questions from the audience at the presentation. Please remember when posing a question, not to present situations that involve an active lawsuit or that are currently under consideration by town officials, and of course, do change the names of individuals as necessary to protect the identity of person associated with the issue.

Lunch and Keynote Presentation: Noon to 1:30 pm - Grandview Room



Keynote Speaker:

Theodore P. Zoli, P.E.,

Vice President of HNTB Corporation

Designer for the new Champlain Bridge

Awarded a MacArthur Fellowship in 2009

Mr. Zoli was born in Glens Falls and raised in Queensbury. The first few months of his life were spent in a trailer near Schroon Lake where his father worked on the Northway construction. He went to Camp Dudley in Westport and grew-up boating on Lake Champlain and Lake George. He has a long affiliation with the Adirondack Park and continues to return to enjoy the area and now, to work on the new Lake Champlain Bridge.

Followed by presentation of the Adirondack Park Local Government Day Conference Recognition Award

1:45 to 3 PM

A. Questions and Answers with APA staff

Olympic Room 1 & 2

Moderator: George Canon. Back by popular demand, APA staff Rita Quinn, Holly Kneeshaw and Dan Spada will answer questions on project jurisdiction, the project review process, and the analysis of resources in the review of projects. In the registration packet you’ll receive the morning of the conference will be a sheet on which to write your questions. Submit the questions before lunch and staff will do their best to provide the answers.

B. Smart Growth Projects Featuring Tourism & a Community Cultural Center

Olympic Room 3

Moderator: Randy Douglas. Adirondack Community Smart Growth Projects encouraged many communities to showcase their best features. James McKenna, President of ROOST will describe the “Destination Planning for Essex County” project that is focused on the Towns of Ticonderoga, Moriah, Schroon Lake, North Elba and Wilmington. In Indian Lake, Ben Strader, Managing Director of Blue Mountain Center and Elizabeth (Betsy) Folwell, Creative Director of Adirondack Life magazine will tell how the community rallied to reopen the town theater as a multi-use cultural center. The center offers central Hamilton County a year-round stage for film and live performances, and meeting space for government and civil organizations. These projects offer benefits to residents and tourist alike.

C. Making a Good Record: Minutes, Findings, and Decision Documents**Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Jean Raymond. Riele Morgiewicz and Catherine Hamlin from the Department of State will discuss why board members should strive to make land use records that are of value to enforcement personnel, applicants, municipal attorneys, and current and future boards. They will also discuss, in detail the three components of the record: minutes; findings; and the decision document. Code Enforcement Officers will receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit. Attorneys will receive 1 hour of Continuing Legal Education in the area of Professional Practice.

3 to 3:30 PM - Refreshment Break in the Sky Room**3:30 – 4:45 PM****A. Community Housing****Olympic Room 3**

Moderator: Brian Towers. This will be a three-part discussion focused on successful development of community housing for working people in the Adirondacks. First, Emily Kilburn of the Adirondack Community Housing Trust will provide an update on the progress of this important Park-wide initiative. Next, Community Development Director Jeremy Evans of the Village of Saranac Lake will discuss community housing needs in his community and discuss the contracted Tri-Lakes Housing Study initiative which he is managing through his office. Such analyses are important in attracting developers and project financing for community housing projects. Finally, Brian Grisi who leads the Adirondack Park Agency's local planning assistance effort will describe an "accessory apartment" provision the Town of Westport which recently received Agency approval for in its local land use program. The provision allows a separate living space within an existing single family dwelling to be occupied by family members or caregivers in a manner that protects and preserves the neighborhood character and property values.

B. Citizen input: Integrating Regional and Local Planning**Olympic Room 1 & 2**

Moderator: Bill Faber. Integrating Regional and Local Planning: Citizen input into local and regional planning processes helps to create plans which better serve the needs of residents and visitors to the Park. At the regional level, public meetings and hearings are conducted to revise the official Adirondack Park Land Use and Development Plan Map or to develop DEC management plans for Forest Preserve units or lands under State managed conservation easements. Both of these planning processes provide important opportunities for communities to participate in dialogue and input into decisions. Both planning process include public hearings or other opportunities for citizen input. Opportunities also exist to integrate State agency planning with local efforts. APA and DEC staff will describe the basic process for State planning initiatives involving Forest Preserve lands and revisions to the APA's land use and development plan. Fred Monroe, Town of Chester Supervisor and Local Government Review Board Executive Director, will focus on how the Town of Chester successfully completed a local planning process along with APA approval of local land use and map amendment revisions. Jerry Delaney, Town Board member from the Town of Saranac and Melissa McManus, the Town's consultant, will describe their local planning efforts and opportunities to address local perspectives in both Town and State agency planning.

C. Watershed Planning and DOS Grants**Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Cathy Moses. Watershed planning enables communities to make informed decisions in efforts to protect and restore water quality. The Department of State, in partnership with the Department of Environmental Conservation, has prepared a guidebook (with video) to help meet the growing demand for assistance in local watershed planning. Andy Labruzzo and Ken Smith, DOS, will step through the guidebook and explain how joint efforts to develop watershed management plans can be an effective means to reduce nonpoint source pollution and protect and enhance water resources. It outlines a flexible, step-wise approach to encourage local governments and groups to form networks and strengthen partnerships with agencies and educational institutions. It also highlights local and regional successes in a series of case studies. A concluding discussion regarding Department of State grants currently available should provide ideas for funding opportunities for this and other types of community planning projects.

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March 22 & 23, 2011

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Agenda - Tuesday Afternoon, March 22

Open to all who are interested

There is no fee for the Tuesday session, however please complete the registration form available at: www.apa.state.ny.us

1 to 5 PM, Crowne Plaza Resort, Grandview Room

Partnerships, Opportunities and Efficiencies in 2011

Brian Towers, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages President, moderates a discussion with Curt Stiles, Adirondack Park Agency Chairman; Bill Farber, Adirondack Partnership; Garry Douglas, Governor's Committee for Economic Development and Labor; Jennifer Congdon, Deputy Director, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation; Joe Martens, Commissioner, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation; and Darrin Derosia, Associate Counsel, NYS Department of State; to examine the challenges facing governmental organizations in 2011, the opportunities for change, and the future for the Park's environment, economy and communities.

Refreshment Break with coffee and tea -- 2:30 to 3PM

A forum with State and Local Leaders

Bill Farber, Adirondack Partnership and Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, facilitates a forum-style question and answer session with State and Local Leaders. Senior staff from the State agencies will also be available to answer questions.

5 PM to ..., Crowne Plaza Resort, Great Room

Social & Reception

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Detailed Agenda for Wednesday's program follows...

Agenda - Wednesday, March 23, 2011

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All sessions at the Crowne Plaza Resort, Lake Placid, NY

Welcome & Introductory Remarks **8:30 AM**

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8:45 - 10 AM

(3 Concurrent Sessions)

A. AATV, the LGRB, and APA 101.

Olympic Room #

Moderator: Jean Raymond. A primer on the Park's three regional entities: the Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages, the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board and the Adirondack Park Agency. Presented by AATV President, Brian Towers; LGRB Executive Director, Fred Monroe; and APA Chairman, Curt Stiles.

B. Transformational Change in the Adirondacks.

Olympic Room #

Moderator: Mark Hall. David Fraser addresses the PROCESS of CHANGE and the importance of Leadership, Communication and Shared Values to Transformational Change that are valuable for cultivating skills to guide Adirondack Park Local Officials into the future. It is about PEOPLE and LEADERSHIP framed in a global tech world. David is owner and chief counsel of Paradigm Options, an International Leadership training company. He brings a unique approach and program dedicated to assisting others reach higher levels of professional performance through participation in synergized teams.

C. Open Government Issues in Planning and Zoning.

Olympic Room #

Moderator: Linda Kemper. Mark Schachner, attorney with 'Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC' offers this training session on Open Government Issues in Planning and Zoning. Mr. Schachner will discuss provisions of the Open Meetings Law and Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) including conduct of public meetings, the public right to attend meetings and availability of documents under FOIL. Mark has extensive experience with and knowledge of the subject and provides guidance to many Adirondack Towns in their land use actions and decision-making.

10:30 - 11:45 AM

(3 Concurrent Sessions)

A. Local Government Efficiency Grant Program.

Olympic Room #

Moderator: Bill Farber. The LGE grant program provides technical assistance and competitive grants to units of local government for the development of projects that will achieve savings and improve municipal efficiency through shared services, cooperative agreements, mergers, consolidations and dissolutions. Sean Maguire, from Department of State, Division of Local Government Services will explain the grants opportunities, implementation process, and tools available for local governments. He will also highlight success stories that have benefited other communities in the State.

B. Building Sustainable Small Business Communities in the Adirondack Park.*Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Mark Hall. Marc Compeau, Director of Clarkson's Entrepreneurial Center, will focus on what Clarkson University has learned about Adirondack Park entrepreneurs and the efforts of the "Adirondack Business Center" to play a productive role in collaborating with existing organizations and providing new resources in an effort to enhance the sustainability of the vibrant Main Street communities of the Adirondacks.

C. Comprehensive Planning.*Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Gerald Delaney. Catherine Hamlin and Patricia Burke from the Department of State, Division of Local Government Services will present training on the practical and legal benefits of adopting a Comprehensive Plan. Included will be the importance of involving the public in the development of the plan early on; strategies for compiling essential data to set the direction of the plan; plan contents; and steps leading to the adoption of the plan. There will be a review of comprehensive plan statutes as well. Robyn Burgess from the Adirondack Park Agency Planning staff will describe the role of the Agency in the review of local plans. Code Enforcement Officers will receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.

Lunch and Keynote Presentation: Noon to 1:30 pm

Dede Scozzafava
Deputy Secretary for Local Government
NYS Department of State

1:45 to 3 PM

(4 Concurrent Sessions)

A. Shared Services and Creating Public/Private Partnerships in a Time of Limited State Resources.**Moderator: Jean Raymond.***Olympic Room #*

At a time when popular camping areas and events faced closure or were scheduled to be discontinued, local governments and private and NPO organizations intervened. The session will examine examples of how communities have stepped up to reopen state facilities and restore discontinued events by sharing services and building new partnerships with private enterprises, other local governments and State agencies. Rob Davies, Director, DEC Division of Lands & Forests, John Frey, Supervisor, Town of Inlet and Barry Hutchins, Supervisor, Town of Indian Lake will present a joint State and local government partnership to maintain recreational facilities in the Moose River Plains. Ted Blazer, CEO & President, Olympic Regional Development Authority, Randy Preston, Supervisor, Town of Wilmington and Joe Lamb, President, Lamb Lumber Company will present the State, local government and private enterprise partnerships that allowed the Empire State Winter Games to continue this year. Mark Hall, Supervisor, Town of Fine will present the local government partnerships the Towns of Clifton and Fine have developed to bring efficiencies and services to their communities.

B. Hamlets 3 Final Report.*Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Bill Farber. Roger Trancik, Urban Design Consultant, and Bill Johnston, former Essex County Planning Director, will describe the design elements incorporated into Phase 3 of the newly published report "Hamlets of Adirondacks." "Hamlets 3" examines three case studies to illustrate ways to design growth areas by building on existing community centers. It demonstrates how communities can integrate land suitable for development into the fabric of the existing hamlet, thus availing themselves of the benefits of smart, green growth. It also illustrates how the avoidance of visually unappealing and resource inefficient sprawl and strip development complements the protection of forests, farmlands and other forms of open space. The study was a DEC-funded Adirondack Community Smart Growth Project sponsored by the Adirondack Community Housing Trust.

C. Site Plan Review.*Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Linda Kemper. Catherine Hamlin and Patricia Burke from the Department of State, Division of Local Government Services will present training on the statutory authority local governments have to review site plans. They will address the scope and content of a site plan and the important role of the site plan in municipal review of development projects. A discussion of design and the reasons some approaches might be preferable to others will be included in the course. Code Enforcement Officers will receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.

D. Community-Based Watershed Planning: The Schroon Lake Watershed Plan. *Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Cathy Moses. The Schroon Lake Watershed Management Plan is the culmination of years of water quality monitoring, invasive species management, and stewardship practices accomplished through a partnership between the Warren County Soil and Water Conservation District, the Schroon Lake Association, and the East Shore Schroon Lake Association. Dave Wick, district manager for the Warren County SWCD is joined by Kenneth Smith and Stephanie Wojtowicz from the Department of State in the presentation. The SLWM Plan assesses water quality and other conditions in the watershed that contribute to water quality and ecosystem health and provides specific project recommendations for watershed protection and improvement. The plan also includes an implementation strategy that identifies actions needed to advance water quality improvements, including development of regulatory requirements and pursuit of funding sources. The presentation will include discussion of the public outreach process that targeted watershed residents in order to build support for water quality improvements.

3:30 – 4:45 PM*(2 Concurrent Sessions)***A. Snowmobiling in the Park.***Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Cathy Moses. A presentation by Stephen Lewis, Director of Snowmobiling at NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP), Karyn Richards, Special Assistant at the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and James Connolly, Deputy Director, Planning, at the Adirondack Park Agency (APA). The New York State Snowmobile Program involves funding administered by OPRHP to support a snowmobile trail system on private lands, State lands and conservation easement lands in the Park. Trails on State lands and conservation easement lands are managed by DEC with the trails on State lands managed pursuant to the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan administered by the APA. State policies on the snowmobile trails in the Park will be outlined and trail connections made possible by the recent Finch Pruyn conservation easement purchase will be discussed.

B. Empowering Communities for Successful Aging.*Olympic Room #*

Moderator: Gerald Delaney. New York's most rural and scenic communities offer both promise and challenge for an aging population. Donna Beal, Executive Director of Mercy Care for the Adirondacks presents a model and innovative action plan for communities that have been empowered by actively engaging older persons, local governments, agencies serving elders, business persons, and individuals to create communities where older adults can 'age in place' more successfully. Jamie Whidden, Executive Director of Saranac Village at Will Rogers where the adaptive re-use of a historic building serves 75 older adults living independently in their community, will co-present. Working with Mercy Care and other community partners, Mr. Whidden has been a leading member of the task force currently working to implement the Aging in Place Action Plan in the Tri-Lakes.

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1 PM

Welcome by Brian Towers, President, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages

Regional Economic Development Councils

Advocates for a new approach in implementing sustainable economies in the Park

William Farber, Chairman of the Adirondack NCREDC subgroup, moderates a discussion with Garry Douglas, Co-Chair of the North Country Regional Economic Development Council and ESD Regional Directors, Roseanne Murphy, Kenneth Tompkins and Peter Wohl, on economic development strategies for the entire Adirondack Park and the identification and promotion of projects that will benefit small rural economies, infrastructure and entrepreneurial initiatives.

Share your community expectations for future projects that will benefit the region.

2:30 to 3 PM -- Refreshment break with coffee and tea

State and Local Leaders Thoughts for the Future

Brian Mann, North Country Public Radio, moderates a discussion with:

AATV President Brian Towers

DOS First Deputy Daniel Shapiro

APA Chairwoman Leilani Ulrich

ESD Regional Director Roseanne Murphy

Adirondack Partnership Chairman Bill Farber

LGRB Executive Director Fred Monroe

DEC Executive Deputy Commissioner Marc Gerstman

... who will offer their thoughts on the role of state agencies and local governments in shaping the future of the Adirondack Park.

5 PM to ..., Social & Reception, Great Room

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Wednesday, March 21, 2012

Crowne Plaza Resort, Lake Placid, NY

Welcome & Introductory Remarks -- 8:30 AM

Olympic Room 1&2

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8:45 - 10 AM

(3 Concurrent Sessions)

A. Regional Economic Development Councils - Transformational Projects **Olympic Room 1&2**

Awarded Funding in the Adirondacks. **Moderator: Fred Monroe.** Garry Douglas, co-chair of the North Country Regional Economic Development Council provides an overview of the regional councils, their role in the review of projects and allocation of funds. Bill Farber, Chairman of the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors, presents an overview of the county's broadband initiative and Mayor Clyde Rabideau of Saranac Lake speaks about projects designed to enhance biosciences facilities in the area. Both projects were recognized as transformational projects in the 2011 REDC competition and awarded funding. Jody Moore, Manager of Train Operations for the Saratoga and North Creek Railway discusses the opportunities it brings to surrounding communities.

B. Community Energy Efficiency Options and Management Projects **Olympic Room 4**
for Adirondack Communities. **Moderator: Gerald Delaney.**

An overview of what energy efficiency and conservation mean, including the kind of savings Adirondack municipalities can anticipate and what steps can be taken to achieve them. This session will feature municipalities in and around the region that are already taking action, and participants will be informed about which agencies are available to help with incentives and grant programs. The presenters: Kara Page manages the Community Energy Efficiency Management and the Adirondack Climate and Energy Action Plan projects at The Wild Center and works with the Towns of Moriah, Schroon, and Long Lake and the Village of Tupper Lake on a pilot program to identify ways they can reduce their energy consumption and carbon footprint, create or retain jobs and save money on energy costs; Jerry Loch, Community Energy Educator/Auditor with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Jefferson County, will focus on NYSERDA programs related to municipal building audits. Sue Montgomery Corey, Supervisor of the Town of Minerva and also President of The Community Power Network of New York State, Inc., will describe the Community Energy Efficiency Management project and what it is implementing with pilot communities; James Alheim, Sales Auditor at SmartWatt Energy, Inc., will outline National Grid energy efficiency programs for municipalities; and Jamie Rogers, Energy Program Coordinator at ANCA, will share information on programs that constituents of local municipalities, including residents and small businesses, can use to reduce energy bills, through NYSERDA.

C. Complying with Review Laws & Procedures to Minimize the Likelihood **Olympic Room 3**
of Successful Legal Challenges. **Moderator: Jean Raymond.**

Join Mark Schachner, attorney with 'Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC' for this training session on how to avoid (or at least prevail in) Article 78 litigation. While any decision by a municipal board can be contested, there are many ways local officials can minimize their exposure to lawsuits and ensure their decisions will withstand legal challenge. Mark has extensive experience with and knowledge of the subject and provides guidance to many Adirondack municipalities in their land use actions and decision-making.

10:00 - 10:30 AM - Refreshment Break in the Olympic 1&2 and Sky Rooms

10:30 - 11:45 AM*(3 Concurrent Sessions)*

A. Applying Smart Growth Principles to Community Planning and Economic Development Initiatives. Moderator: Mark Hall. Olympic Room 1&2 As municipalities look to create jobs with economic development projects, it is important to consider how the projects will impact the communities and their ability to be sustainable. Smart Growth principles offer a way to plan for growth that can be sustained with benefits to the community, economy and environment. Ron Vanselow, Town of Johnsbury Supervisor and former planning board member talks about changes the town has seen as several new projects have come online. Melissa McManus, Community Development Consultant, offers her experience as a planning consultant working with communities on downtown redevelopment and main street improvements. The smart growth principles applied in these efforts proved to also be a successful component in the competitive grant program employed by the CFA process. Matt Rogers, Director of Environmental and Regulatory Planning with Saratoga Associates, worked with the Town of Westport and APA staff to develop a new approach to overcome infrastructure limitations that can hamper Hamlet expansions. This approach features the benefit of a conditional approval of a map amendment by APA when certain conditions are fulfilled, thereby offering certainty in the regulatory process for developers who wish to invest in communities.

B. Engaging volunteers, securing funding, and maintaining enthusiasm to accomplish community projects. Moderator: Evelyn Woods. Olympic Room 4 State and local government can't do it all. Many community projects come to fruition because of a dedicated group of citizens who rally to make them happen. The success of these projects can be attributed to volunteers and community action groups who worked with state and local officials. So how to start a community action group, enlist volunteers, raise funds and get a project built? It's not easy, but here to tell their own stories are some of the people who have achieved remarkable results: Marge Glowa, a member of the board of directors of the Adirondack Carousel, Inc., describes the process to bring a carousel to Saranac Lake; Frank Mezzano, former Supervisor for the Town of Lake Pleasant, speaks about the public library in Speculator; Brian Towers, Supervisor for the Town of Wells, discusses the effort to develop a museum in the town; and Matt McNamara describes the collaborate development of more bike-friendly trails and facilities by what is now known as the BarkEater Trails Alliance (BETA).

C. Rural Planning - Part 1. Moderator: Linda Kemper. Olympic Room 3 Rural communities face challenges -- both in the form of development and lack of it -- that threaten the natural and cultural resources that define their character. This course offers an overview of how comprehensive planning and a variety of land use tools can help preserve rural landscapes and revitalize established village and hamlet centers. Local officials are encouraged to take a proactive approach to meeting such challenges with easy to understand and administer zoning regulations, conservation subdivision regulations, the use of conservation easements, and more. The NYS Department of State staff along with Michael Hill, attorney with 'Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC' will present the training. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 2 hours of In-Service Credit for attending both the morning and afternoon sessions.

Lunch and Keynote Presentation By: Noon to 1:30 pm

Kenneth Adams

President & CEO and Commissioner

New York State Department of Economic Development

1:45 to 3 PM*(4 Concurrent Sessions)***A. Regional Economic Development Councils - The Consolidated Funding Application Process and Funding Opportunities.** **Birch Room**

Moderator: Brian Towers. In 2012, state funding for many projects will again utilize the Consolidated Funding Application. This session will focus on the vision needed to build a successful application as well as the technical details of working with an on-line application. What worked and what didn't in 2011? Roseanne Murphy, Empire State Development Regional Director, along with other state agency representatives and consultants: Kate Fish, ANCA and member of the North Country Regional Economic Development Council; Sean Maguire, Department of State; Mindy Scott, Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation will offer guidance on the application process and provide outlooks for funding opportunities for this coming year.

B. The Forest Preserve as an Economic Asset to Adirondack Communities. **Olympic Room 1&2**

Moderator: Bill Farber. The Forest Preserve can be viewed as one of the Adirondack Park's greatest assets. However, some communities in the Park have been better able than others to leverage that asset into economic benefits for its residents. Come listen to Jamie Savage from Wanakena, Mitch Lee from Inlet, Marie McMahan from Keene, and Robert Hest from Bellmont and ANCA's Scenic Byway Program describe how community members from various parts of the Park have successfully capitalized on the economic benefits provided by the Forest Preserve. Hear how they enlisted volunteers, formed partnerships and worked with the Department of Environmental Conservation and the Adirondack Park Agency to develop recreational opportunities and community infrastructure. Robert Davies, Director of the Department of Environmental Conservation's Division of Lands and Forests, provides information on the mechanisms for working with DEC to develop and maintain recreational facilities on forest preserve lands including unit management plans, Temporary Revocable Permits, Adopt a Natural Resource Agreements, and Memorandum of Understandings. Learn how you and your community may take advantage of the lessons learned by others.

C. Rural Planning - Part 2.**Olympic Room 3**

Moderator: Fred Monroe. A continuation of the morning's session on rural planning. Presented by NYS Department of State staff and Michael Hill, attorney with 'Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC.' Code Enforcement Officers may receive 2 hours of In-Service Credit for attending both the morning and afternoon sessions.

D. Social Media & Municipal Websites - Utilizing social media to inform residents of routine town business and emergency situations. **Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Jean Raymond. In this age of instant information, and with people expecting easy access to information at any time or day, it is important for municipalities to have an open connection with their citizens. This session will explore the benefits and trade-offs of utilizing social networking media such as Facebook and Twitter. Presenters Jeanne Brown, Project Director at the SUNY Institute of Technology, Institute for Local Government, and Jessica Harrison, Web Services Team Lead and Social Media Coordinator for NYS Office for Technology, will describe examples and techniques for creating a municipal website design that provides pertinent and timely information in a manner that is easy to navigate and understand.

3 to 3:30 PM - Refreshment Break in the Sky Room

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3:30 – 4:45 PM

(2 Concurrent Sessions)

A. Adirondack Industries Panel - A discussion on industries that provide jobs in the Park. **Olympic Room 1&2**
Moderator: Gerald Delaney. A panel discussion on the major private employer industries in the Park: tourism, forestry and other private enterprises. Please join Eric Carlson, President and CEO, Empire State Forest Products; James McKenna, President and CEO, ROOST; Ann Melious, Director, Hamilton County Planning, Tourism and Community Development; and Nick Russell, Senior Vice President & Senior Commercial Lending Officer for Community Bank, N.A. northern NY offices. This session will examine business growth and challenges in uncertain economies featuring the views of leading professionals. Topics will include industrial futures, regional employment trends, and areas for potential business expansions.

B. Public Speaking for Public Officials. **Olympic Room 3**
They don't call it public office for nothing. All public officials must speak at some time in a public forum. Some are naturally gifted public speakers, some think they are, and some need a little help. Associate Professor John Youngblood, who teaches public speaking and communication at SUNY Potsdam, offers his skills to help us be better public speakers and to communicate better in general.

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Agenda

Wednesday, April 24, 2013

Crowne Plaza Resort, Lake Placid, NY -- 1 to 5 PM, Olympic Room

1 PM -- Welcome

Brian Towers, President, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages

Introduction and brief remarks by

Leilani Ulrich, Chairwoman, Adirondack Park Agency and

Joe Martens, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation

Initiatives to improve economic opportunities for Adirondack communities.

William Farber, Adirondack Partnership, Moderator

From the expansion of recreation on Forest Preserve Lands to new marketing tools and a Park-wide economic plan, the panel will discuss a variety of new approaches to community development.

***TNC-Finch Lands and State Land
Recreational Opportunities***

Fred Monroe, LGRB

George Leveille, Lake Placid Lacrosse

ADK Recreation Strategies Work Group

Jim McKenna, ADK Partnership

Nicholas Rose, CAP-21

Connie Prickett, The Nature Conservancy

2:30 to 3 PM -- Refreshment break with coffee and tea

Adirondack Web-Portal Project

Brian Towers, AATV

Ron Ofner, Adirondack Tourism Council

ADK Economic Strategies

Mark Hall, ADK Partnership

Margret Irvin, River Street Planning

Summary -- Support for Local and Regional Initiatives

Leilani Ulrich, APA Chairwoman -- Joe Martens, DEC Commissioner -- Brian Towers, AATV President

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Thursday, April 25, 2013

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Welcome & Introductory Remarks -- 8:30 AM

By APA Executive Director Terry Martino and Chairwoman Lani Ulrich

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APA Staff Q&A: all day 8 am to 4 pm**Registration Table and Sky Room**

APA staff from various divisions will be available to provide general information and answer questions about agency jurisdiction and the project review process. Walk-ups are welcome. A listing of staff with their areas of expertise and the times they will be available will be posted at the registration table and the APA display booth in the exhibitors area.

8:45 - 10 AM

(3 Concurrent Sessions)

A. Providing Vision: Planning for Prosperity.**Olympic Room 1&2**

Moderator: Brian Towers. Certain design elements in Adirondack communities can attract visitors and residents alike. This session will outline how communities can position themselves to attract private investment and customers through main street planning and community visioning. Ian Law of Synthesis LLP describes tourism design principals and implementation strategies and Dan Kelleher, APA Special Assistance for Economic Affairs describes the factors that drive market demand.

B. Infrastructure Opportunities.**Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Gerald Delaney. This session examines new major municipal infrastructure projects, including two that take advantage of non-traditional energy sources. John Frey, Town Supervisor of Inlet, relates how the town has succeeded in building a municipal sewage treatment plant to serve the town center. Fred Monroe, Town Supervisor of Chester, describes the installation of solar photovoltaic panels by a private investment company that now provide substantial cost savings for several municipal buildings. Dave Dungate of ACT Bioenergy explains how building heating cost for the Saranac Lake school system that have been substantially reduced by installing a biomass fuel furnace. And Dwight Brown explains how water and wastewater treatment infrastructure projects can receive funding from the Environmental Facilities Corporation.

C. Land Use Board Legal Rules, Practices and Policies.**Olympic Room 1/2**

Join Mark Schachner, attorney with 'Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC, for this training session on legal rules, practices and policies that affect Planning Board and ZBA actions. Mark has extensive experience with and knowledge of the subject and provides guidance to many Adirondack municipalities in their land use actions and decision-making.

10:00 - 10:30 AM - Refreshment Break in the Olympic 1&2 and Sky Rooms

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10:30 - 11:45 AM*(3 Concurrent Sessions)***A. Market Your Business Opportunities: Encouraging Private Development in the Park. Op Rm 4**

Moderator: Mark Hall. This workshop will provide participants with an understanding of the studies and other tools necessary for attracting business and investment. Join Kristi Dippel, Town of Clayton, Local Development Corporation, and Justin Taylor, Supervisor, Town of Clayton, as they explain how they successfully brought a new hotel resort facility to their town. Margret Irwin, owner and Principal of River Street Planning & Development, and Bruce Hoch, Managing Director of DCG Corplan Consulting LLC, will review the value of market studies and feasibility analyses for attracting business and investment to communities.

B. Invasive Species: Awareness, Education, Prevention, Control & Costs: Olympic Room 3
Actions Local Governments Can Take to Prevent the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species.

Moderator: Mayor Blais. Invasive species are impairing the landscapes of the Park and the recreational use and enjoyment of our waterways. This session features community leaders discussing opportunities and sharing solutions to prevent and manage aquatic invasive species. Matt Simpson, Town of Horicon Councilman will describe the management program and Boat Steward Program the town initiated to protect lakes in the area. Martin Aufredou, Warren County Attorney, will review the enactment of a county aquatic invasive species transport law. Joe Stanek, Commissioner for the Lake George Park Commission, will describe Lake George's proposed inspection and decontamination program. Gerald Morrow, Town Supervisor of Chesterfield, will review creation of a Weed Management District as part of prevention and control efforts in his town. And Hilary Smith, who directs the Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program, will summarize on-going efforts to prevent and manage invasive species in the region.

C. Enforcement of Zoning and Other Local Laws. Olympic Room 1/2

Municipalities have various regulations that are an extension of their police power but which aren't necessarily enforced by the police -- zoning, property maintenance, and noise regulations, for example. This session reviews how these regulations are enforced, with discussion of the relationship between the enforcement officer and the review boards, the effect of an appeal of an enforcement action to the zoning board of appeals, and judicial enforcement of violations. Chris Eastman and Cathy Hamlin from NYS Department of State Division of Local Government Services along with Michael Hill, attorney with 'Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC,' will present the training. John Burth, supervisor of the APA enforcement program will be on-hand to answer questions about the Agency's role. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit. Attorneys may receive 1 hour of Continuing Legal Education in the area of Professional Practice.

Lunch Program -- Noon to 2 PM***Luncheon Forum with:*****NYS Senator Elizabeth Little,****Assemblyman Marc Butler, Assemblyman Daniel Stec****and Senator Griffo Representative Richard Ashlaw*****2013 Adirondack Park Local Government Conference Recognition Award******2013 Adirondack Park Excellence in Building Design Awards******(for Public-Semi-Public -- New Commercial/Residential -- Historic/Rehab Buildings)***

2 to 3:15 PM*(4 Concurrent Sessions)***A. Funding for Hamlet Redevelopment Projects.****Olympic Room 4**

Moderator: Dan Kelleher. Private development in difficult economic times can require a unique blend of public and private financing. Murray Gould of Port City Preservation will walk participants through development financing processes and identify various sources of State and federal assistance that can be used to leverage projects.

B. Driving Demand: Using State Forest Preserve and Easement Lands for Economic Development.**Olympic Room 3**

Moderator: Evelyn Wood. The Adirondack Park features abundant natural resources and recreational opportunities that can drive demand for lodging accommodations and services in local communities. This session will highlight communities that have connected their recreational opportunities and facilities to those on Forest Preserve and easement lands through planning and cooperative development. These communities are leveraging their recreational assets to provide private development and business opportunities. Hear from: Jeremy Evans, Village of Saranac Lake, on the Village's Bicycle and Pedestrian Trails Plan, UMP coordination and development, and the "Saranac 6'er" challenge; Chastity Miller, District Conservation Manager for Franklin County's Soil and Water Conservation District, on the County's cross county ATV Trail; Michael Farmer, Old Forge/Town of Webb, on snowmobile, hiking and other trail systems in his region; Neil McGovern, Supervisor for the Town of Lake Pleasant, on snowmobile and mountain bike trails in his region; Steve Ovitt, owner of Wilderness Property Management on creating the Thirteenth Lake to North Creek trail system; and Karyn Richards, Forest Preserve Coordinator for DEC on developing community initiatives with the Department.

C. Community Design Tools.**Olympic Room 1/2**

Municipal officials have a variety of tools available to them to help shape the appearance of their community. At this session, tools ranging from simple design guidelines to landscape ordinances and architectural review boards are discussed. We'll look at some practical approaches that can be applied to both public and private development and explain some basic design concepts. Chris Eastman and Cathy Hamlin from NYS Department of State Division of Local Government Services along with Sarah Reynolds, APA Associate Counsel, will present the training. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit. Attorneys may receive 1 hour of Continuing Legal Education in the area of Professional Practice.

D. Emergency Preparedness in Response to Extreme Weather Events.**Birch Room**

Moderator: Randy Douglas. In recent years several extreme weather events have caused substantial damage to municipal infrastructure, leaving some communities with costly clean-ups and looking for assistance from county, State and federal agencies. Hear from: Donald Jaquish, Director of Essex County Emergency Services; Michael Mascarenas, Director of Essex County Office of Community Services; and Chris Holmes, Chief of Recovery and Mitigation at NYS Office of Emergency Management, on their experiences with post-storm clean-up efforts and interaction with FEMA officials and policy.

3:15 to 3:30 PM - Refreshment Break in the Sky Room

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3:30 – 4:45 PM
(2 Concurrent Sessions)

A. Make it Happen: Community, Leadership, Event Planning.

Olympic Room 1/2

Moderator: William Farber. Local community groups serve important functions in economic development. From organizing events to running non-for-profit shops and markets, strong local networks of community and business leaders are integral to a sustainable Adirondack community. Hear from: George Leveille, founder and owner of Lake Placid Lacrosse, on event planning for midsummer tournaments; Michael Bowers, co-owner of barVino in North Creek, and Brandon Himoff, owner Point O’Pines Camp for Girls and who operates Jimbo’s Club and Suzie Q’s Adirondack Grillhouse in Brant Lake, on their business experiences and affiliations with local business alliances; and Sally Stanton, of the Local Development Corp in Indian Lake, on her role in promoting economic revitalization of the region.

B. Site Plan Review.

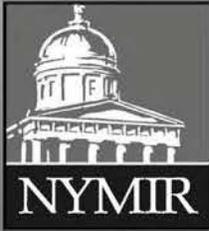
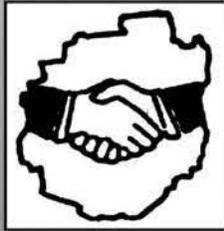
Olympic Room 3

This course is an overview of the statutory authority local governments have to review site plans. It will address the scope and content of a site plan and the role of the site plan in municipal review of development projects. A discussion of design and the reasons some approaches might be preferable to others is included in the course. Chris Eastman and Cathy Hamlin from NYS Department of State Division of Local Government Services along with Sarah Reynolds, APA Associate Counsel, will present the training. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit. Attorneys may receive 1 hour of Continuing Legal Education in the area of Professional Practice.

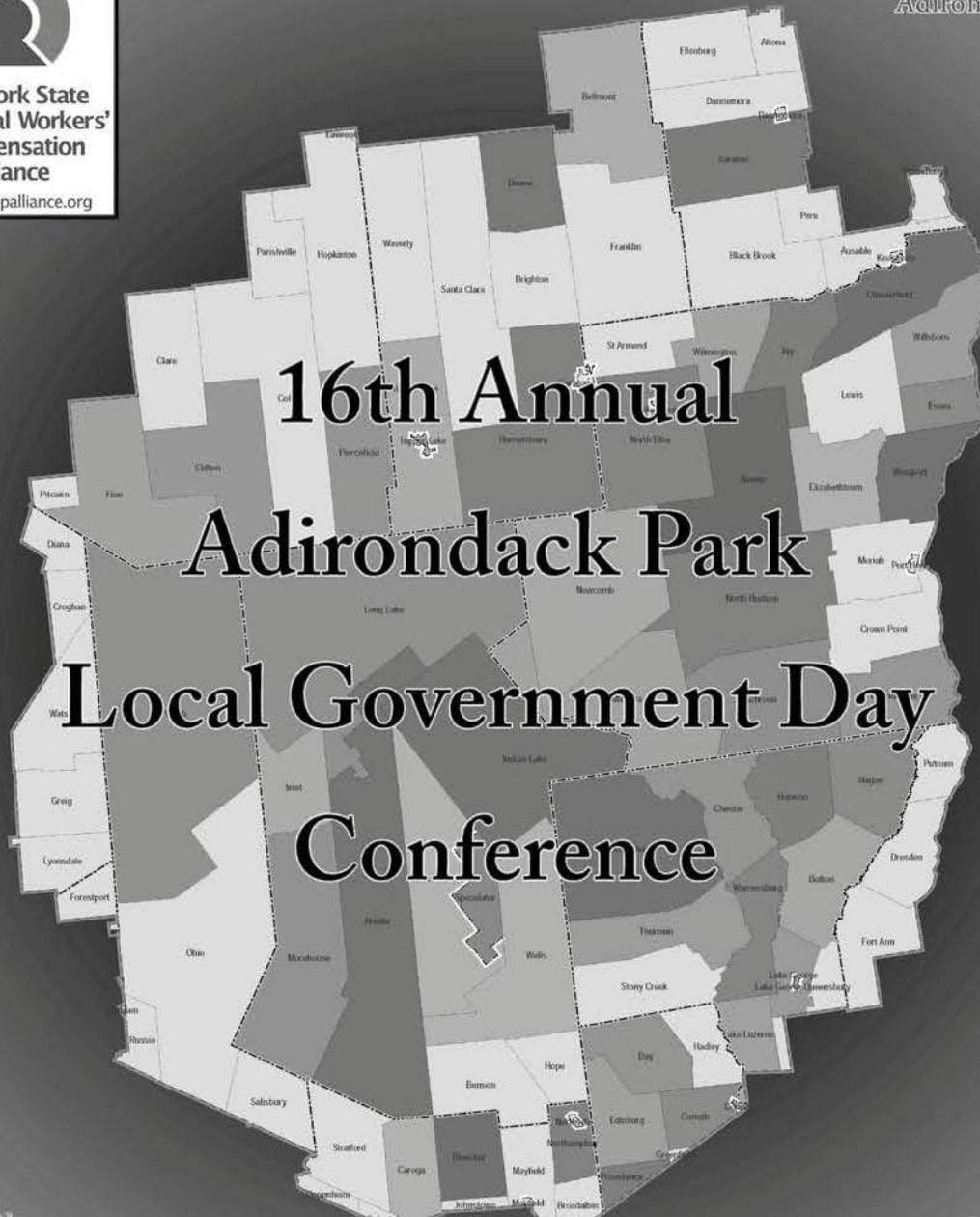
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Adirondack Forum

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Refreshment Break at 3 PM
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*Brian Towers, President, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages
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Adirondack Mapping Project Update

Brian Towers, President, AATV

Adirondack Economic Strategy Report

*Mark Hall, Supervisor, Town of Fine
Margaret Irwin, Owner and Principal, River Street Planning & Development*

Adirondack Recreation Plan - Progress Report

*Ron Ofner and Brian McDonnell - Adirondack Paddle Challenge
John Million - Adirondack's REDC Award and Project
Dave Winchell - DEC'S move to solidify messaging concerning the Park
Bill Farber - Next Steps*

Adirondack Web Portal Demonstration

*Kimberly Finnigan, Esq., Cooper Erving & Savage LLP.
Ronald Ofner, Executive Director, Adirondack Regional Tourism Council
Darcy Norfolk, Executive Director, Adworkshop*

State Agency Discussions

*Leilani Crafts Ulrich, Chairwoman, Adirondack Park Agency
Joe Martens, Commissioner, Department of Environmental Conservation
Mark Pattison, Director, Local Government Services, NYS Department of State
Roseanne Murphy, Regional Director, Empire State Development
Richard Newman, EVP of State Marketing Strategy, Empire State Development*

Social & Reception, 5 PM to ... Crowne Plaza Resort, Great Room

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SEQR Training

Begins 1 PM Wednesday Afternoon

Refreshment Break at 3 PM

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Welcome & Introductory Remarks

Brian Grisi, Local Government Services, Adirondack Park Agency

State Environmental Quality Review Act - SEQRA

The Basics - Part 1

This introduction to the State Environmental Quality Review Act includes an overview of the environmental assessment form (EAF), Type I, Type II, and Unlisted actions and the sequence of making a positive or negative declaration on a project's potential to have an adverse impact on the environment. The relationship between the administration of local regulations and SEQRA will also be discussed. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 2 hours of In-Service Credit.

- *Cathy Hamlin, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State*
- *Jack Nasca, Director, Division of Environmental Permits & Pollution Prevention, DEC*

The New Forms - Part 2

New EAFs , discussion, and on-line forms demonstration.

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- *Stu Baker, Chairman, Ticonderoga Planning Board & Senior Planner, Town of Queensbury*
- *Laura Moore, Warrensburg Planning Board & Land Use Planner, Town of Queensbury*

Social & Reception

5 PM to ...

Crowne Plaza Resort, Great Room

17th Annual Adirondack Park Local Government Conference

Crowne Plaza Resort, Lake Placid, New York
April 9-10, 2014

Agenda for Thursday, April 10, 2014

Registration begins at 7:45 AM - Coffee and Tea with exhibitors provided in the Sky Room
All sessions at the Crowne Plaza Conference Center, Lake Placid, NY

8:30 AM

Welcome & Introductory Remarks

Terry Martino, APA Executive Director

Leilani Crafts Ulrich, APA Chairwoman

All day events: Sponsors, Exhibitors, GIS Help Desk, and Q&A with APA staff -- Sky Room

Municipal Efficiencies and Living within the Cap

Olympic Room 1-2

Municipalities face operational and efficiency questions in the development of budgets that are within the property tax cap rules. Local leaders discuss the cap and its effects on future municipal budgets and delivery of essential services.

- *Stephen J. Acquario, Executive Director, NYS Association of Counties*
- *John Bartow, Executive Director, Tug Hill Commission*
- *Jim Herman and Dave Mason, Adirondack Consultants, Adirondack Futures*

Moderated by William Farber

Motions, Criteria and Decision-Making Guidelines

Olympic Room 3

Join Mark Schachner, Esq., for this training session on sound decision-making practices for Planning Board and ZBA members. Mark has extensive experience with and knowledge of the subject and provides guidance to many Adirondack municipalities in their land use actions.

- *Mark Schachner, Senior Principal Attorney, Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC, Glens Falls, NY*

Morning Sessions

9 to 10:15 AM

DEC Regulations & Municipal Operations

Olympic Room 4

DEC staff offer information and answers questions regarding some of the typical challenges municipalities face when clearing roadsides, storing petroleum fuels and operating wastewater facilities.

- *Michelle Crew, Regional Attorney, DEC Region 5*
- *Marc Migliore, Regional Permit Administrator, DEC Region 5,*
- *Rich Wagner, P.E., Regional Engineer, DEC Region 5*
- *Tom Martin, Regional Supervisor of Natural Resource Programs, DEC Region 5*

Refreshment Break

Visit with Exhibitors

10:15 to 10:45 AM

Sky Room

Morning Sessions ***10:45 to Noon***

The Best Return on Investment Invasive Species Prevention

Olympic Room 3

Invasive plants and animals are on the move. The Adirondack region has an important opportunity to stop invasive species before they spread. Hear the latest news on efforts underway in our communities to protect our waterways and local economies.

What's on tap for Lake George ramps in 2014?

- **Dave Wick**, Executive Director of the NYS Lake George Park Commission

Loon Lake takes control of its boat launches.

- **Fred Monroe**, Supervisor, Town of Chester

Boat inspection and decontamination for aquatic invasive species prevention -- recommendations for the Adirondack region

- **Hilary Smith**, Director, APIPP

Status of DEC's statewide boat launch regulation regarding aquatic invasive species and the Aquatic Invasive Species Plan update

- **Fred Dunlap**, Lake Champlain Coordinator, DEC Region 5

Locally Unwanted Land Uses

Olympic Room 4

A quick survey of land uses not everyone wants next door to their homes and the extent to which local governments may regulate them. Mining, home businesses, big box retail, adult uses, religious uses, telecommunications facilities, and billboards are among the uses discussed. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.

- **Cathy Hamlin**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State

Community Improvements that Benefit Visitors and Residents

Olympic Room 1/2

Many community improvement projects come to fruition because of a dedicated group of citizens - volunteers, community action groups and/or local officials - who rally to make them happen. In this session, an array of successful projects from around the Park will be described. Some of the people behind these efforts will offer insights as to how they developed the concepts and implemented and funded the projects, as well as provide summaries of the outcomes for their communities.

Wanakena - Public Bathroom Priority Access Improvement Project

- **Annette Craig**, Co-chair, Smart Growth Committee, a subcommittee of the Clifton Fine Economic Development Corp

Saranac - New Land Trust

- **Hal Moore**, Owner, Saranac Hollow Woodworking and Adirondack Hardwoods

Bolton - Public Beach Kayak Launch

- **Tracey Clothier**, Planner, The LA Group

Thurman - White-Space Broadband Update

- **Evelyn Wood**, Supervisor, Town of Thurman

Newcomb - Marketing Their Town

- **Bob Lilly**, Chairman, Planning Board
- **Paul Cummings**, Planner, The Chazen Companies
- **Amanda Magee**, Partner, Trampoline Design

Moderated by Evelyn Wood

Luncheon Program

Noon to 1:45 PM

Keynote: Richard Newman, EVP of State Marketing Strategy, ESD
Conference Annual Recognition Award
Adirondack Park Excellence Awards - "Best Community Events"

Financial Analysis of Shared Services and Intermunicipal Cooperation

Olympic Room 1-2

Working cooperatively with neighboring communities can help local governments implement shared solutions to common problems and generate new service delivery capacities. Cooperation enables local governments to reduce the cost of services without compromising the quality of service delivery. This course will examine the benefits of cooperation through case studies and analysis of the financial implications of actual cooperative projects funded by the New York State Department of State's Local Government Efficiency Program.

- **Sean Maguire**, *Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State*
- **Tracy J. Eldridge**, *Hamilton County Highway Superintendent*

North Country Health Systems Redesign Commission

Olympic Room 4

The North Country Health Systems Redesign Commission proposes a plan to create an effective, integrated health care delivery system for preventive, medical, behavioral, and long term care services to all communities throughout North Country. Dr. John Rugge, Co-Vice-Chair of the NCHSRC will provide an overview of the commission's work and its recommendations for health care services in the region. Dr. Michael Pond, Medical Director Mountain Medical Urgent Care in Lake Placid will offer his perspectives on local health facilities to serve rural communities.

- **Dr. John Rugge**, *Co-Vice-Chair of the NCHSRC*
- **Dr. Michael Pond**, *Medical Director Mountain Medical Urgent Care*

Moderated by Fred Monroe

Refreshment Break

Visit with Exhibitors

3:15 to 3:30 PM

Sky Room

Afternoon Sessions 2 to 3:15 PM

Publicly Available Aerial Photography and Data

Olympic Room 3

A discussion and demonstration of various resources on the Internet for your mapping needs. The session will focus on simple map view and query needs and will briefly cover more advanced, free tools and data. Aerial imagery available in common web mapping applications such as Google Earth and Bing will be shown. Federal, State and County web mapping applications will be presented such as the National Map Viewer, NYS Orthos Online, and County Real Property online services. Mapping resources on the APA's website will be shown with special attention given to new GIS services viewable online and within desktop GIS applications. Locations for downloading GIS data will also be provided.

- **John Barge**, *Mapping Technologist 3, APA*
- **Matt Kendell**, *Associate Natural Resources Planner, APA*

NYS Emergency Stream Intervention Program

Birch Room

An introductory overview of repairs to stream damages following a major storm, including priority repairs that address immediate threats to public health and safety. This introduction will provide attendees a better understanding of the concepts involved in stream restoration techniques. Work done during or immediately after a flood event which is completed following the practices identified in this session will lessen the need for additional stream work weeks or months after the flood event. Following the recommended practices will also reduce the impacts of future flood events on municipal and private infrastructure. As future flood events of increased magnitude and frequency are predicted, these practices will save time, money and resources.

- **Dave Reckahn**, *District Manager, Essex County Soil and Water Conservation District*

Keeping Heating Dollars at Home: The Opportunity of Biomass Heat for North Country Communities *Olympic Room 1-2*

With Governor Cuomo's recent announcement of the Renewable Heat NY Initiative interest and support is growing in New York for wider use of local wood fuel and modern wood heating technology to heat homes, businesses, and community facilities. Northern Forest Center Executive Director Joe Short, ANCA Executive Director Kate Fish, North Country School Director of Facilities and Sustainability John Culpepper and Town of Chester Supervisor Fred Monroe, will introduce some of the technologies available, describe specific installations in place or developing in the Adirondack North Country, and highlight the community economic development potential of substituting wood for imported heating fuels.

- **Joe Short**, Executive Director, Northern Forest Center
- **Kate Fish**, Executive Director, ANCA
- **John Culpepper**, Director of Facilities and Sustainability, North Country School
- **Fred Monroe**, Supervisor, Town of Chester
- **Sloane Crawford**, Forest Stewardship and the Forest Utilization Program, DEC

Moderated by Gerald Delaney

Afternoon Sessions
3:30 to 4:45 PM

The Value of Not-for-Profits

Olympic Room 4

Adirondack Foundation will highlight examples of partnerships between local governments and nonprofit organizations that positively impacted Adirondack communities, economically and otherwise. This session will feature a brief presentation of the Adirondack Nonprofit Network's Economic Impact Study, followed by three speakers--Nick Rose of CAP-21, Sharon Reynolds of PRIDE of Ticonderoga, and Valerie Ainsworth of Mental Health Association of Essex County--who will talk about how their nonprofit works effectively with local government.

- **Cali Brooks**, Executive Director, Adirondack Foundation
- **Nick Rose**, Executive Director, CAP-21
- **Sharon Reynolds**, Executive Director, PRIDE of Ticonderoga
- **Valerie Ainsworth**, Executive Director, Mental Health Association of Essex County

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Final Agenda
The 18th Annual
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Wednesday & Thursday, April 15 & 16, 2015

Presented by:

***NYS Adirondack Park Agency, Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages,
 Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board, NYS Department of State,
 NYS Department of Environmental Conservation & NYS Empire State Development.***

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Wednesday Afternoon, April 15th

1:00PM to 5:00PM

	<i>Adirondack Forum – Olympic 1/2</i>	<i>Training for Planning & Zoning – Olympic 4</i>
1:00PM to 3:00PM	<u>Advantage Adirondacks</u> “Advancing Economic Opportunities Across the Adirondack Park”	Variance Review & Procedures Practical Pointers for Site Plan Review
3:00PM to 3:30PM	<i>☞ Refreshment Break ☞</i>	
3:30PM to 5:00PM	Announcement of the Adirondack Park Smart Growth Implementation Grant Awards	
5:00PM to ...	<i>☞ Social & Reception ☞</i> <i>Great Room</i>	

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Thursday, April 16th

8:30AM to 4:45PM

7:45AM	Registration begins. Coffee & Tea with Exhibitors provided in the Sky Room		
8:30AM to 9:00AM	Welcome & Introductory Remarks <i>-Olympic 1/2-</i>		
	<i>Track A</i>	<i>Track B</i>	<i>Track C</i>
9:00AM to 10:15AM	Biomass - Wood Energy Comes to the 21st Century <i>-Olympic 3-</i>	Community Projects & Events <i>-Olympic 4-</i>	Dealing with Difficult Players in the Planning and Zoning Game <i>-Olympic 1/2-</i>
10:15AM to 10:45AM	<i>☞ Refreshment Break ☞</i>		
10:45AM to 12:00PM	Tourism Promotion <i>-Olympic 1/2-</i>	Community Planning - Alternatives & Preparedness <i>-Olympic 4-</i>	Enforcement of Zoning & Other Local Laws <i>-Olympic 3-</i>
12:00PM to 1:45PM	<i>☞ Luncheon Program ☞</i>		
2:00PM to 3:15PM	Funding Opportunities for Municipalities <i>-Olympic 1/2-</i>	Invasive Species - The Incoming, Ongoing Challenge <i>-Olympic 4-</i>	Case Law Update for Planning & Zoning <i>-Olympic 3-</i>
3:15PM to 3:30PM	<i>☞ Refreshment Break ☞</i>		
3:30PM to 4:45PM	State & Local Collaboration to Enhance Outdoor Recreation Opportunities <i>-Olympic 1/2-</i>	Broadband <i>-Olympic 3-</i>	

☞ All Refreshment Breaks will be located in the Sky Room along with the Exhibitors ☞

Conference Exhibitors:

Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages ▪ New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal
 NYS Deferred Compensation Plan ▪ NYS Municipal Workers' Compensation Alliance
 Adirondack Mountain Productions ▪ AES Northeast, PLLC ▪ Barton & Loguidice, P.C.
 Bernier Carr & Associates, P.C. ▪ Burnham Financial ▪ Business Automation Services
 The Chazen Companies ▪ CLA Site ▪ Image Data Inc. ▪ Laberge Group ▪ The LA Group ▪ MRB Group, P.C.
 NYS Adirondack Park Agency ▪ NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
 NYS Department of State ▪ NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation
 NYS ITS Enterprise Information Security Office ▪ Weston & Sampson

Detailed session descriptions on the following pages...

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WEDNESDAY *Session Descriptions*

◆ Concurrent Sessions: 1:00PM-3:00PM ◆

Advantage Adirondacks

Olympic 1/2

Advantage Adirondacks - “Advancing Economic Opportunities across the Adirondack Park”

Advantage Adirondacks is a project of the Adirondack Partnership to identify a specific set of programs and incentives that view “environmental and economic sustainability as mutually dependent and reinforcing.” The strategy seeks to enhance hamlets and communities, reduce dependence on State support and public sector employment, and create an increasingly self-sustaining Adirondack Park. The Partnership, together with River Street Planning & Development’s consultant team, will provide details on the plan and its implementation. David Dionne will highlight an existing trail model network in Alabama and provide a national perspective on the economic impact of recreation and amenity based tourism. Jeffrey Ciabotti will give an overview of the first two phases of the Adirondack Trail Towns Initiative and detail how this initiative will stimulate economic development. Margaret Irwin of River Street Planning will present lessons learned and discuss key themes of the Park’s new economic strategy.

- **Bill Farber**, Chairman, Hamilton County Board of Supervisors
- **Margaret Irwin**, Owner, River Street Planning and Development
- **Jeffrey Ciabotti**, Senior Planner, Toole Design Group
- **David Dionne**, Executive Director, Red Mountain Park

Updates on projects and initiatives in the Adirondack Park

Web Portal and AATV ▪ **Brian Towers**, President, Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages

Great South Woods Project ▪ **Karyn Richards**, Forest Preserve Coordinator, NYS DEC

Adirondack Community-based Trails and Lodging System ▪ **Jack Drury**, Project Director, ACTLS

Tourism Investment ▪ **James McKenna**, Executive Director, Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism

Invasives ▪ **Fred Monroe**, Executive Director, Local Government Review Board

Communicating the Adirondack Message/A New Audience –A New Message ▪ **Bill Farber**, Chairman, Hamilton County Board of Supervisors

Training for Planning & Zoning Officials

Olympic 4

Variance Review and Procedures

Variance review criteria from Town Law may be well known, but how exactly should a ZBA determine if a variance will have an adverse impact or if it is appropriate to include conditions on the approval? Local land use attorney Michael Hill with Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC will review the fundamentals of granting a variance and the potential pitfalls of the process.

- **Michael Hill, Esq.**, Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner LLC

Practical Pointers for Site Plan Review

Join APA staff for a hands-on activity and professional discussion focused on of the basics of Site Plan Review. This session is intended to serve as a primer on how to read site plans, what to look out for and other considerations.

- **Shaun LaLonde**, Soil & Water Engineering Specialist, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
- **Ariel Lynch**, Environmental Program Specialist 2, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
- **Colleen Parker**, Environmental Program Specialist 3, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

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WEDNESDAY

Session Descriptions - Continued

❧ *Refreshment Break: 3:00PM-3:30PM* ❧

Olympic 1/2

◆◆ **Smart Growth Awards: 3:30PM-5:00PM** ◆◆

Adirondack Park Smart Growth Implementation Grant Awards *Olympic 1/2*

DEC Commissioner, Joe Martens, will announce the recipients of the third round of Adirondack Park Smart Growth Grants. Adirondack municipalities will receive grant monies totaling \$400,000 to implement smart growth projects within hamlets, villages and town centers. Projects will include capital improvements, environmentally sound economic development projects and organizational capacity-building to advance key projects. These grants seek to capitalize on the collaborative planning efforts of communities and organizations in the Park.

- **Joe Martens**, Commissioner, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
- **Leilani Crafts Ulrich**, Chairwoman, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

❧ *Evening Social: 5:00PM...* ❧

THURSDAY

Session Descriptions

★ *Registration Begins: 7:45AM* ★

❧ *Refreshments in the Sky Room: 8:00AM-8:30AM* ❧

◇ **Welcome: 8:30AM-9:00AM** ◇

Welcome & Introductory Remarks

Olympic 1/2

Leilani Crafts Ulrich, Chairwoman, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
Terry Martino, Executive Director, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

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THURSDAY

Session Descriptions - Continued

◆ Session 1: 9:00AM-10:15AM ◆

1A. Biomass - Wood Energy Comes to the 21st Century

Olympic 3

Clean-burning, high-efficiency wood pellet boilers are populating the North Country, thanks in part to multi-State coordination by the Northern Forest Center and a regional initiative undertaken by Adirondack North Country Association. This session provides an armchair visual tour of programs in place, featuring close-ups on installed units at municipal buildings and other locations where biomass is now the heating source of choice.

- **Gerald Delaney**, Councilman, Town of Saranac
- **Kate Fish**, Executive Director, ANCA
- **Leslie Karasin**, Project Manager, Northern Forest Center
- **Fred Monroe**, Executive Director, Local Government Review Board
 - *Moderator –Gerald Delaney*

1B. Community Projects and Events

Olympic 4

This presentation will highlight projects and events of regional and local scale that are occurring throughout the Park. Presentations will cover the Cycle Adirondacks event, the Adirondack Park Agency's new Hamlet Economic Planning and Assistance initiative, and the First Wilderness Heritage Corridor Plan.

- **Dan Kelleher**, Special Assistant for Economic Affairs, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
- **Wayne LaMothe**, Director of Planning and Community Development for Warren County, NY
- **Zoe Smith**, Director, Adirondack Program at Wildlife Conservation Society
- **John Spaeth**, Mayor, Village of Northville
 - *Moderator – Ronald Moore*

1C. Dealing with Difficult Players in the Planning and Zoning Game

Olympic 1/2

The planning and zoning review process is and presumably should be open and public, but “difficult players” sometimes hinder the effectiveness of application review. While it is usually impossible to eliminate or even control such individuals, we will discuss various ways to deal with them as effectively as possible. This discussion is itself sometimes frustrating and some may leave with more questions than answers, but it is usually interesting and sometimes provocative.

- **Mark Schachner, Esq.**, Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner LLC

❧ *Refreshment Break: 10:15AM-10:45AM* ❧

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Session Descriptions - Continued

◆◆ Session 2: 10:45AM-12:00PM ◆◆

2A. Tourism Promotion

Olympic 1/2

Hear first from the Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism about their work with many towns and villages to leverage the Park's great natural and culture features for the benefit of communities seeking to expand commercial opportunities. Learn next about DEC's effort to create recreationally focused web pages for Forest Preserve units and conservation easement tracts in the Adirondacks that will identify all recreational activities and infrastructure available to the public and how to access them. The session concludes with an update by Adirondack Regional Tourism Council and AdWorkshop on the status of Phase 2 of AATV's Outdoor Recreation Web Portal and its integration with the DEC information and community events and how it will help bring visitors to your community.

- **Gavin Landry**, Executive Director of Tourism, Empire State Development
- **James McKenna**, Executive Director, Regional Office of Sustainable Tourism
- **Ronald Ofner**, Executive Director, Adirondack Regional Tourism Council
- **David Winchell**, Public Affairs Specialist, Office of Communication Services, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
 - *Moderator – Randall Douglas*

2B. Community Planning - Alternatives and Preparedness

Olympic 4

Town of Inlet officials will describe a five-year history of their local law requiring inspection of a property's septic system prior to sale, and the requirement to repair any septic system failing to meet conditions of the law. The Adirondack Road Salt Alternative Working Group will provide guidance to communities seeking alternatives to the use of conventional road deicing materials. And NYS DEC staff will discuss how your community can reduce emissions, increase climate resilience, save money and protect community infrastructure by becoming a Climate Smart Community.

- **Dazzle Ekblad**, Climate Policy Analyst, Office of Climate Change, NYS DEC
- **John Frey**, Supervisor, Town of Inlet
- **Willie Janeway**, Executive Director, Adirondack Council
- **Dan Kelting**, Director of Adirondack Watershed Institute, Paul Smith's College
- **Randy Preston**, Supervisor, Town of Wilmington
- **Aimee VanWie**, Code Enforcement Officer, Town of Inlet
 - *Moderator – Evelyn Wood*

2C. Enforcement of Zoning and Other Local Laws

Olympic 3

Municipalities have various regulations that are an extension of their police power but which aren't necessarily enforced by the police: zoning; property maintenance; and noise regulations; for example. This session reviews how these regulations are enforced with discussions concerning the relationship between the enforcement officer and the review boards, the effect of an appeal of an enforcement action to the zoning board of appeals, and judicial enforcement of violations. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.

- **Catherine M. Hamlin**, Land Use Training Specialist 1, NYS Department of State
- **Natasha Esther Phillip, Esq.**, Associate Attorney, NYS Department of State

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Session Descriptions - Continued

❧ *Luncheon Program: 12:00PM-1:45PM* ❧

Grandview Room

Conference Recognition Award

Keynote: Basil Seggos

New York State, Deputy Secretary for the Environment

◆◆◆ **Session 3: 2:00PM-3:15PM** ◆◆◆

3A. Funding Opportunities for Municipalities

Olympic 1/2

Whether you are planning for your community's future or are putting infrastructure in the ground, there are many potential sources of funding to explore. Learn what State programs are available that can provide funding resources to help make your project a success.

- **Jason Denno**, State Needs Coordinator, NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation
- **Stephen Hunt**, North Country Regional Director, NYS Empire State Development
- **Kyle Wilber**, Municipal Management Consultant, NYS Department of State
 - *Moderator – Mark Hall*

3B. Invasive Species - The Incoming, Ongoing Challenge

Olympic 4

Invasive species can be expected to continue to challenge many of our communities by undermining their ecological, recreational and financial assets. Much has been accomplished, however, more work is needed to develop ways to remove existing invasive species and implement control measures capable of preventing new infestations. This session will highlight efforts by New York State, regional organizations and local communities to control, manage and fund the ongoing work.

- **Ed Griesmer**, Executive Director, Adirondack Lakes Alliance
- **Eric Holmlund**, Director, Adirondack Watershed Institute Stewardship Program/ Interim Dean, School of Commercial, Applied and Liberal Arts at Paul Smith's College
- **Kathy Moser**, Deputy Commissioner, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
- **Brendan Quirion**, Coordinator, Adirondack Park Invasive Plant Program
 - *Moderator – Fred Monroe*

3C. Case Law Update for Planning and Zoning

Olympic 3

Recent cases that pertain to land use will be summarized and their implications on land use regulation at the local level explored. Relevant opinions by the New York State Attorney General, Office of State Comptroller, and Committee on Open Government will also be reviewed. Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.

- **Natasha Esther Phillip, Esq.**, Associate Attorney, NYS Department of State

❧ *Refreshment Break: 3:15PM-3:30PM* ❧

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◆◆◆ Session 4: 3:30PM-4:45PM ◆◆◆

4A. State and Local Collaboration to Enhance Outdoor Recreation Opportunities

Olympic 1/2

The Great South Woods (GSW) Project is a planning effort focused on over 2 million acres of public and private lands in the southern Adirondacks. DEC and APA, with key partners, are engaging the recreating public, community officials and business interests in helping to plan: 1) a destination-based system of trails and other recreational assets for the Great South Woods; and, 2) improvements to the State's protective management of the region's exceptional natural resources and wild character. This session will review progress to date and how this approach should better connect communities to one another and to the Forest Preserve and Conservation Easement lands. Another recreational planning effort which is occurring simultaneously will also be presented. The Adirondack Community-based Trails and Lodging System (ACTLS) project is a new Park-wide initiative that seeks to connect communities in the Park with self-powered circuit traverses, and strategically-located front-and back-country places of lodging. Materials will also be available that diagram the processes used by the State to develop Unit Management Plans, State Land Master Plan Amendments and State Land Classifications. There will be an opportunity to ask staff questions about these processes.

- **Jack Drury**, Project Director, ACTLS
- **Abigail Larkin**, GSW Project Coordinator, SUNY College of Environmental Science & Forestry
- **Kathy Regan**, Deputy Director, Planning, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
- **Karyn Richards**, Forest Preserve Coordinator, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
 - Moderator – *Kathy Regan*

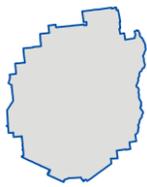
4B. Broadband

Olympic 3

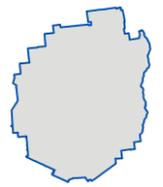
Universal access to broadband continues to be a major consideration in efforts to spur economic investment and heighten community satisfaction. Ongoing regional investment and recent announcements on State-wide approaches to expand access will be discussed, along with community-based initiatives that provide service to residents and visitors alike.

- **Ed Bartholomew**, President, Warren County Economic Development Corporation
- **Andrew Mahoney**, Executive Director, Adirondack Teleworks
- **David Salway**, Executive Director, Governor Cuomo's Broadband Program
 - Moderator – *William Farber*

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Wednesday Afternoon, April 13th

1:00PM to 5:00PM

<i>Concurrent Sessions</i>			
<i>-Olympic Room 1/2-</i>		<i>-Olympic Room 4-</i>	
1:00PM to 3:30PM	<p align="center"><u>Adirondack Forum</u> Constitutional Amendment – Land Bank</p> <p align="center">Aquatic Invasives – Pilot Program</p> <p align="center">Attracting the Next Generation of Adirondack Visitors & Residents</p> <p align="center"><i>Presented by AATV & LGRB</i></p>	1:00PM to 2:00PM	<p align="center"><u>Grant Opportunities at the NYS Department of State</u></p> <p align="center">Informational Session</p>
		2:00PM to 3:30PM	<p align="center">Individual Consultations <i>(Please contact DOS @ 518-473-3355 to schedule a specific time)</i></p>
		<i>☞ Refreshment Break ☞</i>	
4:00PM to 5:00PM	<p align="center"><i>Announcement of the Adirondack Park Smart Growth Grant Awards</i></p> <p align="center"><i>-Olympic Room 1/2-</i></p>		
5:00PM to ...	<p align="center"><i>☞ Social & Reception ☞</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Great Room Lobby</i></p>		

★ Note Registration on Thursday Begins at 7:45AM ★

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*Agenda - Note Changes in Schedule for the B Track**

Thursday, April 14th

7:45AM	<i>Registration begins...</i>		
8:30AM to 9:00AM	<i>Welcome & Introductory Remarks</i>		
	<i>A Track</i> <i>- Olympic Room 3-</i>	<i>B Track*</i> <i>-Olympic Room 4-</i>	<i>C Track</i> <i>-Olympic Room 1/2-</i>
9:00AM to 10:15AM	Community Forests	Broadband	Ethical Considerations and Proper Planning & Zoning Decision-Making
10:15AM to 10:45AM	<i>☞ Refreshment Break ☞</i>		
10:45AM to 12:00PM	Great South Woods & Hut-to-Hut Recreation	AATV & LGRB 101	Adopting & Amending Zoning
12:00PM to 1:45PM	<i>☞ Luncheon Program ☞</i> <i>Annual Conference Recognition Award - TBA</i> <i>Keynote Speaker – Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul</i>		
2:00PM to 3:15PM	Spotlight on Projects & Events from around the Adirondack Park	DEC 101	Form-Based Zoning Part 1
3:15PM to 3:30PM	<i>☞ Refreshment Break ☞</i>		
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****Please note changes in Thursday's agenda as sessions in the B Track have shifted time slots.***

Special Note: Please be aware that there will be a film crew present at the conference to compile footage for an exhibition at the Adirondack Museum. The final gallery of new exhibitions at the Adirondack Museum will include a multi-screen video experience that supports an open forum to discuss the future of the Adirondacks. In the video, we will hear the many perspectives of the people who live, work, and visit the Adirondacks. The story of the Adirondack Park is not a single story. Throughout its history, people have connected to and loved the Adirondacks in many different ways. This film will share these stories in a discussion about the present issues facing the Park and the many hopes for its future.

Detailed session descriptions for Wednesday & Thursday on the following pages...

WEDNESDAY
Session Descriptions

◆ **Concurrent Sessions: 1:00PM to 3:30PM** ◆

Adirondack Forum

Olympic 1/2

Join leaders from the Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages and the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board as they provide important information on initiatives from around the Park. Topics covered will include:

Constitutional Amendment –Land Bank

- **Ross Whaley**

Aquatic Invasives – Pilot Program

- **Eric Holmlund**, Director, Watershed Stewardship Program, Paul Smith's College
- **Erin Vennie-Volrath**, Aquatic Invasive Species Project Coordinator

Attracting the Next Generation of Adirondack Visitors & Residents

Tourism Study

- **Hillarie Logan-Dechene**, The W!LD Center
- **Michelle Clement**, Tupper Land & Hamilton County Marketing Manager, ROOST

Adirondack Trail Towns

- **Margaret Irwin**, River Street Planning & Development

Grant Opportunities at the NYS Department of State

Olympic 4

Informational Session

The Department of State administers multiple grant programs designed to assist local governments in developing projects that promote community and economic development and municipal efficiency. This session will provide attendees with specifics about programs housed within DOS, including: the new Municipal Restructuring Fund; the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program; the Appalachian Regional Development Grant Program; the Northern Border Regional Development Grant Program and the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program.

- **Mark Pattison**, Director of Local Government Services, New York State Department of State

DOS Consultation Center

The Department of State, Division of Local Government Services will have staff available for individual consultations with local government leaders interested in discussing resources available to address specific areas of concern. Conference attendees can drop in or pre-schedule an appointment to meet with staff and discuss how the Department of State may be able to assist them with technical expertise or as a liaison to other State agencies or potential funding. We will have information and technical assistance available regarding specific funding opportunities, including the new Municipal Restructuring Fund.

- **Mark Pattison**, Director of Local Government Services, New York State Department of State
- **Robert Roeckle**, Land Use Training Specialist, New York State Department of State
- **Kyle Wilber**, Municipal Management Consultant, New York State Department of State

❧ **Refreshment Break: 3:30PM-4:00PM** ❧
Olympic 1/2

◆◆ **Smart Growth Awards: 4:00PM-5:00PM** ◆◆

❧ **Evening Social: 5:00PM...** ❧
Great Room Lobby

THURSDAY
Session Descriptions

★ *Registration Begins: 7:45AM* ★

☞ *Refreshments in the Sky Room with Exhibitors: 8:00AM-8:30AM* ☞

Welcome & Introductory Remarks

◇ 8:30AM-9:00AM ◇

-Olympic 1/2-

Terry Martino, Executive Director, NYS Adirondack Park Agency
Robyn Burgess, Local Government Services, NYS Adirondack Park Agency

◆ **Session 1: 9:00AM to 10:15AM** ◆

1A. Community Forests

Olympic 3

This presentation will focus on creating a path to success for communities interested in owning forestland for both social and economic benefits. Robert Moore will talk about the positive experiences the Town of Webb has had owning and managing their forestland. Rob Davies will discuss the direction the DEC is headed in regards to Community Forest policy in NY and what the Department can bring to the table to assist communities with forest ownership. Lastly, Julie Renaud Evans from the Northern Forest Center will speak about the NFC's experience with Community Forests, the many benefits of ownership, and how the organization can help communities acquire and prepare to steward their locally-owned forests.

- **Robert Moore**, Supervisor, Town of Webb
- **Rob Davies**, Director of Lands & Forests, NYS DEC
- **Julie Renaud**, Northern Forest Center
 - *Moderator: Gerald Delaney*

1B. Broadband

Olympic 4

Access to broadband is becoming a necessity in today's world for education and economic growth. The FCC estimates that 20% of deployment costs are within the control of the community. Factors like public rights of way, the ability to leverage government-owned facilities and ensuring expeditious permitting on the local government level can make a difference. Presentations will focus on the Time Warner/Charter merger, the New NY Broadband Program and how to prepare your community for deployment.

- **Bill Farber**, Hamilton County Board of Supervisors
- **Karen Geduldig**, Director, Office of Telecommunications, DPS
- **Marc Migliore**, Deputy Regional Permit Administrator, NYS DEC
- **Jeffrey Nordhaus**, EVP, Innovation and Broadband, ESD
- **Deb Windecker**, Real Estate Office, NYS DOT
- **Dave Wolff**, Board Chairman, ADK Action
- **Sam Zhou**, Regional Director, NYS DOT

1C. Ethical Considerations and Proper Planning & Zoning Decision-Making

Olympic 1/2

Join Mark Schachner, attorney with Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner, LLC for a training session on the Ethical Considerations for Decision Making by Planning and Zoning Boards. Mark has extensive experience and knowledge and represents many Adirondack Towns in their land use actions.

- **Mark Schachner, Esq.**, Miller, Mannix, Schachner & Hafner LLC
 - *Moderator: Evelyn Wood*

THURSDAY
Session Descriptions Continued...

◆◆ Session 2: 10:45AM to 12:00PM ◆◆

2A. Great South Woods Project & Hut-to-Hut Recreation **Olympic 3**

The Great South Woods is a landscape level planning effort within this 2 million acre region of the Park focused on facilitating connections between communities to each other and to public recreation opportunities on neighboring Forest Preserve and Conservation Easement lands. The Upper Hudson Recreation Hub Hut-to-Hut project is identifying specific trail opportunities for this f Town region of the Park that involve overnight stays and multi-day hikes. Both projects are focused on providing recreation destinations for tourists to visit the Adirondack Park and linking these destinations to visitor amenities located in communities.

- **Robert Davies**, NYS DEC
- **Walter Linck**, NYS APA
- **Colin Beier**, SUNY ESF
- **Brian Houseal**, SUNY ESF
- **Joe Dadey**, ACTLS
- **Jack Drury**, ACTLS
- **Kelly & Tony Stamas**, Hoot Owl Lodge, Newcomb, NY
 - *Moderator: William Farber*

2B. AATV & LGRB 101 **Olympic 4**

This session will provide a primer on the roles and services provided by the Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages and the Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board.

- **George Canon**, Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages
- **Frederick Monroe**, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board

2C. Adopting & Amending Zoning **Olympic 1/2**

An examination of the origins of zoning and the purposes for adopting regulations; the role of the municipal comprehensive plan; specific steps a municipality must take to prepare their first set of zoning regulations; and procedures for the adoption and amendment of zoning laws and ordinances, including referral to the county planning board, public hearings, and filing requirements. [Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.](#)

- **Catherine M. Hamlin**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
- **Erin Thomas**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
 - *Moderator: Mathew Simpson*

☞ Luncheon Program 12:00PM-1:45PM ☞
Grandview Room

Conference Recognition Award

Keynote: Kathy Hochul
New York State, Lieutenant Governor

THURSDAY
Session Descriptions Continued...

◆◆◆ Session 3: 2:00PM to 3:15PM ◆◆◆

3A. Spotlight on Projects & Events from around the Adirondack Park **Olympic 3**

Attendees will learn about local and regional events occurring throughout the Park. Spotlighted projects will include Cycle Adirondacks, the Adirondack White Out Weekend, the Great Adirondack Garage Sale, Mountainfest, and more. Covered topics will encompass event origination, developing stakeholder workgroups, engaging volunteers, and marketing.

- **Vonnie Liddle**, Town of Indian Lake Events Coordinator
- **Zoë Smith**, Cycle Adirondacks
- **Vanessa Vaverchak**, Vaverchak Creative
- **Vinny McClelland**, The Mountaineer
 - *Moderator:* Kevin Geraghty

3B. DEC 101 **Olympic 4**

This session will help elected local officials gain a basic understanding of the Environmental Conservation Law and DEC regulations that are relevant to municipalities. DEC regional staff will identify the common regulatory issues faced by Adirondack municipalities and provide suggestions for compliance. *Note: DEC will also have staff available during the conference in the Sky Room (see schedule in registration packet).*

- **Michelle Crew, Esq.**, Regional Attorney, Region 5, NYS DEC
- **Randall Young, Esq.**, Regional Attorney, Region 6, NYS DEC

3C. Form-Based Zoning Part 1 **Olympic 1/2**

This course is an overview of an alternative approach to zoning that considers design over use. It is based on many of the principles of Smart Growth and New Urbanism. Form-based zoning is helping to establish mixed use, neighborhood structure, and walkability as the new standard for development. The advantages of form-based zoning, how it differs from conventional zoning from development to administration, and some of the challenges local officials might encounter in implementing form-based zoning will be discussed.

- **Catherine M. Hamlin**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
- **Erin Thomas**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
 - *Moderator:* Brian Wells

☞ Refreshment Break: 3:15PM-3:30PM ☞
Visit with Exhibitors in the Sky Room

◆◆◆ Session 4: 3:30PM to 4:45PM ◆◆◆

4A. Funding Opportunities for Sewer & Drinking Water Infrastructure **Olympic 3**

Attendees will receive details on how to apply for loans and grants available through the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation for sewer and drinking water infrastructure projects. EFC representatives will also summarize programmatic changes for 2016 and provide an update on the NYS Water Grants Program.

- **Jason Denno**, Environmental Project Coordinator, NYS EFC
 - *Moderator:* Stephen McNally

THURSDAY
Session Descriptions Continued...

4B. APA 101

Olympic 4

Adirondack Park Agency Staff will provide background on the APA and more detailed information on permitting requirements and procedures of the Agency. In addition, Agency staff will be available in the Sky Room to provide general information and answer questions about Agency jurisdiction and the project review process. *Note: APA will also have staff available during the conference in the Sky Room (see schedule in registration packet).*

- **Sarah Reynolds, Esq.**, Associate Counsel, Adirondack Park Agency
 - *Moderator:* Jean Raymond

4C. Form-Based Zoning Part 2

Olympic 1/2

A continuation of the DOS session on Form-Based Zoning. [Code Enforcement Officers may receive 1 hour of In-Service Credit.](#)

- **Catherine M. Hamlin**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
- **Erin Thomas**, Land Use Training Specialist, NYS Department of State
 - *Moderator:* Brian Wells

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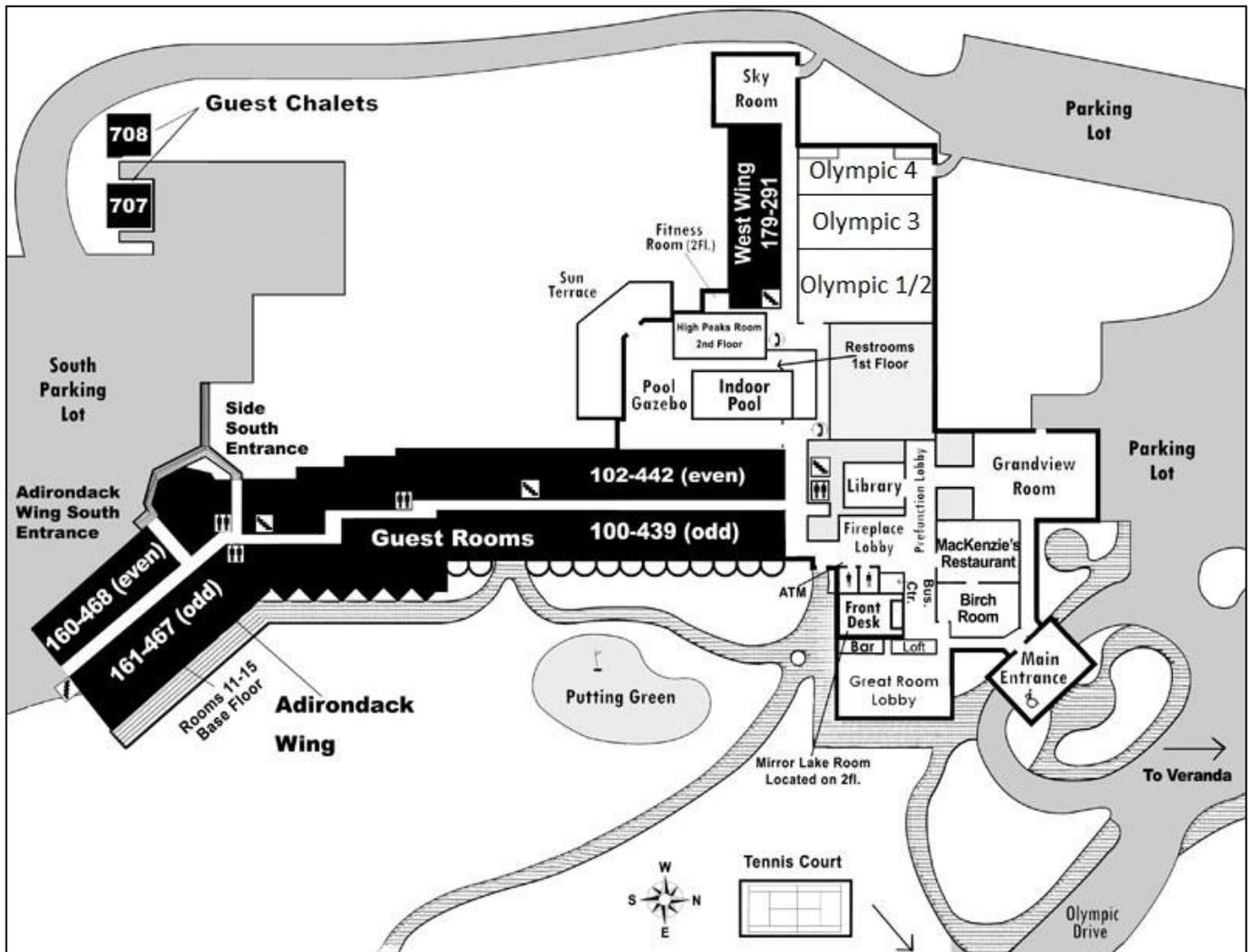
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