

AGENDA
Lower CT River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange
1/15/14 7pm - 9pm
1st Workshop
The Lower CT River and Coastal Region Land Trust Exchange
Natural Resource Based Strategic Conservation Plan
A GIS Overlay Analysis

*To Enable Effective Collaboration and Cooperation, in a Regional Manner,
Towards the Creation of Landscape Scale Greenway Corridors to Protect
Existing Wildlife Habitat, Water Quality, Working and Scenic Lands*

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By the end of this workshop series, let's leave with:

- A list of eight GIS data layers to be used as the primary criteria for analyzing land acquisition priorities;
- Relative weights for data-layer values to be used in the model Margot will create and
- A list of next steps on a timeline to implement this priority-setting process.

By 9pm tonight, let's leave with:

- Clear understanding of the priority-setting tool we are creating;
- Eight data layers provisionally selected as essential for the model and
- If necessary, additional data layers still under consideration for promotion.

6:30 Light refreshments

7:00 Welcome

7:05 Orientation to Our Task

GIS Analysis – *What does it look like?*
Modeling – *Garbage In = Garbage Out*
Data sets – *What qualities are important to us?*
Data sources (or “metadata”) – *What constitutes sound data?*

7:20 Introduction of the Likely Suspects (data layers)

Suggested Choices for Consideration
Obvious Choices
Sensible to Consider
What's Missing?

8:00 Where Do We Find Easy Consensus?

All

Vote with color dots to identify areas of agreement and difference
What do the dots tell us?
Examine areas of more agreement
Examine areas of less agreement

8:50 Wrap-ups

Recap of tonight
Preview of next workshop
Plus/Delta Review
Plus: *What worked well tonight?*
Delta: *Next time we meet, it will be better if....what?*

9:00 Adjourn