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Planning Conference

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## **Welcome to Meredith, New Hampshire!**

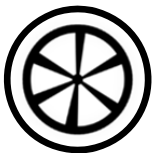
**The New Hampshire Planners Association is excited to bring you back to the Lakes Region for the 2013 Northern New England Planning Conference.**

### **CONFERENCE VENUES**

All plenary conference events will be in the **Winnepesaukee Ballroom**.

Concurrent conference sessions will be in the **Laker Room** and the **Garwood Room** (which combine to form the Ballroom), and in the **Carriage House**.

**Concurrent sessions on both days will be organized in these tracks. See the program schedule for locations of individual sessions.**



**Mobility for Everyone.** Planners know that we need to consider more than just those driving alone in cars. With or without transit, how can we create a built environment that promotes fully integrated communities in which people are connected with one another by how they get around?



**Healthy Environment for Everyone.** We'll explore issues of water quality, redevelopment, and health. We'll also view these issues through the lens of social equity – how can those with the least power among us also enjoy the best that our natural environment has to offer?



**Who is Everyone?** Our society is changing, based on influences of the economy, aging population, immigration and refugee resettlement, new social norms and means of communication, and many other factors. Planners need to understand these influences to help guide the future development of our communities and what it means for where and how we live, work, and play.

## At a Glance: 2013 Northern New England Planning Conference

### Thursday

8:00 - 9:00 am **REGISTRATION**

9:00 - 10:30 **OPENING PLENARY:** Ethics for Everyone (Winnepesaukee)

10:30 - 10:45 **BREAK**

10:45 - 11:45 **KEYNOTE:** Claudia Folska - The New American Dream (Winnepesaukee)

12:00 - 12:45 pm **AWARDS LUNCH**

1:00 - 2:00 **PLENARY SESSION** - Defining New Ruralism (Winnepesaukee)

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

2:15 - 3:30 Non-Motorized Mobility, Northern New England Style (Garwood)

2:15 - 3:30 The Status of Shoreland Protection in ME, NH & VT: Effective or Ineffective? (Laker)

2:15 - 3:30 Public Engagement for the Changing Demographic (Carriage House)

3:30 - 3:45 **BREAK**

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

3:45 - 5:00 Windham Region Mobility Study (Garwood)

3:45 - 5:00 Storm Water Management: What Every Planner Should Know (Laker)

3:45 - 5:00 Community Planning with Arts and Cultural Organizations (Carriage House)

6:00 - 8:00 **RECEPTION** (Chris Craft)

### Friday

8:00 - 8:45 am **BREAKFAST**

8:15 - 8:45 NNECAPA Business Meeting

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

9:00 - 10:15 Building Community Consensus on Complete Streets (Laker)

9:00 - 10:15 Water Quality & Watershed Planning... Making the Connection (Garwood)

9:00 - 10:15 Engaging the Refugee and Immigrant Community (Carriage House)

10:15 - 10:30 **BREAK**

#### **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

10:30 - 11:45 How New Rules on Mobility Devices Apply to Public Lands (Laker)

10:30 - 11:45 Planning for Healthier Environments through Health Impact Assessment (Garwood)

10:30 - 11:45 Planning with the People (Carriage House)

12:00 - 1:45 pm **LUNCH** (Winnepesaukee)

Koontz in a Northern Climate: The Current State of Takings

2:00 - 4:00 **MOBILE SESSIONS**

Moulton Farm/Page Pond & Forest (walking tour - transport yourself to location)

Meredith Village Redevelopment (walking tour)

MV Doris E Excursion - Water Quality & Lake Winnepesaukee

# KEYNOTE ADDRESS

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## Claudia Folska, Ph.D.

### *"The New American Dream"*

#### Planning for the 21st Century with multi-modal transportation infrastructure and new urbanism

Claudia Folska began to go blind at the age of five but she refused to accept her visual impairment as an impasse. She graduated from the University of Southern California with a B.A. in Psychology and received her MBA at the University of Southern California Marshall School of Business. After beginning a dual doctorate in Architecture and Design at the University of Colorado, Denver in 2004 and cognitive science at University of Colorado, Boulder, she completed her dual Ph.D. in 2012.



She and her now teenaged daughter rely primarily on public transportation. Claudia is passionate about public transit and is committed to improving the transit system so that it is more accessible to everyone. She was recently elected to the Board of the Denver Regional Transportation District.

Claudia is the author of the forthcoming book *Making c of Pedestrian Oriented Developments – Feet on the Street* – in which she examines and rethinks current auto-centered design paradigms for pedestrian-oriented developments. Claudia believes that if she can affect designs that are more accessible for the visually impaired, then she has indeed made it more accessible for all.

She is also the host of her own television program, “Cooking in the Dark,” where she emphasizes the importance of cooking with organic and locally-sourced foods. “All people,” she says, “are cooking in the dark when they don't know where their meal is coming from.”

Claudia has been featured on NPR's *Talk of the Nation* and in *Wired* magazine.

**“People are pedestrians by design –  
and designers are people who should  
plan for everyone.”**

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# CONFERENCE AGENDA

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**

**8:00**                    **REGISTRATION** – Chris Craft Room

**8:45 – 9:00**           **WELCOME and ORIENTATION** – Winnepesaukee Ballroom

*Carl Eppich, NNECAPA President*  
*Sarah Marchant, NHPA President*  
*Ben Frost, Conference Chair*

**9:00 – 10:30**        **OPENING PLENARY** – Winnepesaukee Ballroom

***Ethics and Social Equity – Planning for Everyone***

**Sponsors:**        ***New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority***  
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*Victor Rubin, Vice President for Research at PolicyLink*  
*Russ Thibeault, President, Applied Economic Research*

What does it mean to “plan for everyone,” especially when our population is changing? As stewards of the public planning process, planners are ethically charged with serving the public interest and working to further “the policies and actions that best serve the entire community” (APA’s Ethical Principles in Planning, May 1992). This means reaching out to populations that lack organization and influence and to engage them in the planning process – but we need to know who these people are before we can do this. This session will explore national and regional trends in population change with a focus on our ethical imperatives and what planners need to do to adapt to these demographic changes. Then it will be your turn to talk about the ethical challenges you’ve faced in outreach and engagement as we learn who “everyone” really is. **(CM | 1.5 ETHICS)**

**10:30 – 10:45**       **BREAK: Coffee, Carbs & Communications** – Chris Craft Room

**Sponsors:**        ***Applied Economic Research; Hawk Planning Resources, LLC; Meridian Land Services; RSG, Inc.; TFMoran, Inc.; UNH Cooperative Extension***

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**10:45 – 11:45 KEYNOTE ADDRESS – Winnepesaukee Ballroom**

**The New American Dream: Planning for the 21st Century with multi-modal transportation infrastructure and new urbanism**

***Claudia Folska, Ph.D.***

**Sponsors:     *HNH Foundation*  
                      *New Hampshire Charitable Foundation***

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**12:00 – 1:00 AWARDS LUNCH – Winnepesaukee Ballroom**

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**“The Transformation of Meredith”**

*Rusty McLear, President and CEO, Hampshire Hospitality Holdings*

**NNECAPA 2013 Annual Awards**

**1:00 – 2:00 AFTERNOON PLENARY: Defining New Ruralism – Winnepesaukee Ballroom**

**Sponsors:     *New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority*  
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*Peg Elmer, AICP, Community-Resilience.org and Senior Policy Fellow at Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT*

*Mark Lapping, Distinguished Professor of Planning and Public Policy, Muskie School of Public Service, University of Southern Maine*

*Stacey Doll, AICP, Rooted by Stacey, LLC*

What is it about northern New England that makes it so attractive and healthy? What is it about us that we jump into the lead of food systems planning and the local food movement, wildlife conservation planning, climate adaptation and more? How do we maintain and enhance those qualities - along with the magic of our historic settlements, lively arts and creative economy, while capitalizing on modern technology to keep our environment, economy and social fabric thriving? After a short introduction from the panel, we want to hear from you on community development principles that will hold and strengthen these qualities into the future. **(CM | 1.0)**

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2:15 – 3:30

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

**Sponsors:** *CLD Consulting Engineers; Front Porch Community Planning & Design; Nobis Engineering; UNH Department of Natural Resources and the Environment*



## **Non-Motorized Mobility, Northern New England Style – Garwood Room**

*Carl Eppich, AICP*

*Jim Donovan, FASLA, AICP*

Many Northern New England communities have old road systems that became established before modern roadway grid systems. Curving, steep and narrow roads with odd-angled intersections and sketchy directional signage are common. Yet even with these barriers, many of the communities in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont have successfully incorporated bicycle and pedestrian travel into their transportation systems. This session will first review several case studies from around New England to show how several communities have modified their transportation systems to improve non-motorized wayfinding information and increase opportunities for bicycling and walking within their existing infrastructure or as all new facilities. The session will then introduce other walking, bicycling concepts that can be used in Northern New England settings, using an open, moderated discussion format with the audience to augment the presented information and get their input on how the various concepts could be used and what types of challenges may arise in using them. The session will end with a discussion of generalized cost of implementation and ways to begin transformation. **(CM | 1.25)**



## **The Status of Shoreland Protection in Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont: Effective or Ineffective? – Laker Room**

*Kellie Merrell, Environmental Scientist, Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Lakes and Ponds Management & Protection Program*

*Peter Lowell, Executive Director of (Maine) Lakes Environmental Association*

*Collis Adams, Administrator, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Wetland Bureau*

*Pat Tarpey, Executive Director, Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association*

*Moderator: Steven Kahl, Ph.D., President of the Maine Congress of Lakes Associations and Director of Environmental Services, James E. Sewall Company*

Most communities in northern New England have surface waters that are subject to some level of state and/or local regulation. Panelists from each of the three states will address several key topics including how their state approaches shoreland protection, the relationship between science and policy, effective regulation, and the role of local planning and zoning. **(CM | 1.25)**



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## Public Engagement for the Changing Demographic – Carriage House

*Angela Vincent, Sustainability Project Manager, VHB*

*Sandrine Thibault, AICP Comprehensive Planner, City of Burlington*

*Charlie Baker, Director, Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission*

As planners, we have an ethical obligation to give people the "opportunity to have a meaningful impact" and that involvement needs to be "broad enough to include those who lack formal organization or influence." But the demography and geography of our states – mostly white and rural – means that we don't necessarily experience the changing demographics in our own daily lives. As well-meaning and well-intentioned as we may be, through our reliance on personal experiences we may unintentionally be making decisions that have negative long-term impacts on others who experience barriers we don't recognize and who carry different values.

How do we ensure that we conduct business in an inclusive manner and make decisions in concert with the voices from underrepresented groups? Learn where to seek quantitative data as well as how to respectfully make connections with underrepresented groups and meet real people to hear their stories. Learn about the new age of public engagement with real examples of how internet games, post-it notes and even speed-dating have been used effectively to engage the public. (CM | 1.25)

**3:15 – 3:30**

### **BREAK: Coffee, Carbs & Communication Devices – Chris Craft Room**

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**3:30 – 4:45**

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### **Windham Region Mobility Study: Coordination of Transportation Services to Improve Mobility for All of the Region's Residents – Garwood Room**

*Matt Mann, Windham Regional Commission*

The presentation will be a summary of the Windham Region Mobility Study. The primary goal of the study was to identify opportunities to better coordinate, and integrate, transportation resources to improve efficiency and mobility, and to identify possible new transportation resources. In terms of vehicles used, these resources include buses and vans owned by the transit providers, as well as school buses, vans and buses owned by human service agencies, municipalities, private institutions, churches, nursing homes, and others. Existing resources also include miles traveled by these vehicles that could be more

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productive than they currently are. New resources include more funding from the federal or state government, from private foundations, or through in-kind donations from local partners. (CM | 1.25)



## **Stormwater Management: What Every Planner Should Know – Laker Room**

*Thomas Ballestero, Ph.D., Director, University of New Hampshire Stormwater Center  
Ridgely Mauck, P.E., Program Supervisor, NH Department of Environmental Services,  
Alteration of Terrain Program*

*Steven Kahl, Ph.D., Director of Environmental Services, James E. Sewall Company  
Moderator: Shanna Saunders, Planning and Zoning Director, Laconia, NH.*

Planners play an important role in shaping projects including the degree to which stormwater is successfully managed. Panelists will focus on the state of stormwater system performance, what to ask and look for in reviewing projects, and the opportunities and challenges associated with Low Impact Development into techniques. (CM | 1.25)



## **Community Planning with Arts and Cultural Organizations – Carriage House**

*Rod Francis, Planning Director, Brattleboro, VT*

*Zon Eastes, Director of Outreach and Advancement Vermont Arts Council*

The 'Creative Sector' has become identified variously as an economic development opportunity, a sign of imminent gentrification, with the loss of traditional industries and occupations. This session explores how to take this deep socio-economic change and forge new place-based identities by working with arts and culture organizations. Case studies will be presented that illustrate how to: i) incorporate these new voices in community planning to spur public discussion and celebrate complex social and cultural transitions ii) open up new modes of communication and iii) identify the intrinsic and broader economic value of art and cultural activity in a communities life. (CM | 1.25)

**6:00 – 8:00**

## **Reception in the Chris Craft Room**

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**8:00 – 8:45**      **BREAKFAST** – Winnepesaukee Ballroom

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## **NNECAPA Annual Business Meeting**

**9:00 – 10:15**      **CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

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### **Building Community Consensus on Complete Streets** – Laker Room

*Dirk Grotenhuis, P.E., LEED-AP, Senior Consultant, RSG;  
Juliet T.H. Walker, Transportation Planner, City of Portsmouth  
Gene McCarthy, P.E., McFarland Johnson  
Johnathan Law, LA, Carol R. Johnson Associates*

Maplewood Avenue in Portsmouth, NH is a typical 4-lane city street, designed to carry 14,000 cars into and out of downtown Portsmouth each day. However, City planners were interested in re-visioning the street section; from one designed solely for the automobile to one that accommodates and invites travelers on foot, on bicycle, and in cars. Through a process involving public outreach, traffic simulation, and a bit of courage, City planners and RSG are developing plans to improve mobility for all users on Maplewood Avenue. Concord, NH's Downtown Complete Streets Improvement Project proposes a transformation of Main Street making it a destination for residents, shoppers, and tourists. Extensive collaboration engaged citizens in the process through use of a Context Sensitive Solutions approach with various visualization techniques and social media. Planners for each project will describe the extensive public engagement is an essential part of its success, including visualization techniques, traffic simulation, and social media. **(CM | 1.25)**



### **Water Quality and Watershed Planning – Making the Connection** – Garwood Room

*Jeff Schloss, Research Scientist in the UNH Freshwater Biology Group, and a Water Resources Specialist with UNH Cooperative Extension  
Pat Tarpey, Executive Director, Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association  
Jim Haney, Ph.D., Director of the UNH Center for Freshwater Biology  
Moderator: Robert Varney, Executive Vice President of Normandeau Associates, Inc.*

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Lake Winnepesaukee, our conference venue, will be used as a framework to present a variety of important water quality and planning issues. Panelists will address interpreting water quality trends, nutrient load modeling, watershed planning and the latest research on the threat of biotoxins, particularly cyanobacteria. (CM | 1.25)



## **Engaging the Refugee and Immigrant Community in the Planning Process – Carriage House**

### **Panelists**

*Carol Pierce, Chair, Laconia Refugee Connections Committee*

*Rasim Gusinac (Bosnia)*

*Lovina Esguerra (Philippines)*

*Bal Bhaterai (Bhutan and Nepal)*

*Forkpah Sumo (Liberia)*

Through the Lakes Region Plan – Granite State Future, the Lakes Region Planning Commission established its Regional Leadership Team (RLT) with the intent of engaging the underserved and underrepresented persons in the region. The RLT has met several times with members of the immigrant and refugee community in the Lakes Region and has found those meetings and the interaction to be inspirational and insightful. These New Americans are diligent, hard working and wish to participate in the community. They are educated with a desire for more education. They are a major source of economic growth for their communities, becoming good citizens. Their stories and experiences show democracy to be a 'living' word for them. (CM | 1.25)

## **10:15 – 10:30 BREAK: Coffee & Communications – Chris Craft Room**

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## **10:30 – 11:45 CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

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## **How DOJ's ADA Rules on Mobility Devices Apply to Land Open to the Public – Laker Room**

*Janet Zeller, National Accessibility Program Manager for the U.S. Forest Service*

What the recent Department of Justice Rule on Other Power Driven Mobility Devices requires; how it applies to Federal, State, local, and privately owned lands; as well as the assessment factors and public notice requirements under that Rule. Discussion will be encouraged. (CM | 1.25)

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## Planning for Healthier Environments through Health Impact Assessment – Garwood Room

*Lindsay Rosenfeld, ScD, ScM, Research Scientist, Brandeis University, The Heller School for  
Social Policy and Management*

*Jillian Harris, Regional Planner, SNHPC*

*Jerry Coogan, Special Projects Manager, LRPC*

*Lisa Morris, Executive Director of the Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health*

Health Impact Assessment (HIA) is a rapidly emerging practice which evaluates the potential health effects of a project or policy before it is implemented. HIA is a policy method used by public health practitioners, planners, and others. It serves to engage myriad partners in health and planning discussions that review available evidence and make policy recommendations based on these careful assessments. HIAs are recently being widely-discussed and used throughout the United States as well as funded by the Centers for Disease Control, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Pew Charitable Trust, particularly through the Health Impact Project. In this introductory session, you will learn about: (1) the relationship between social determinants of health and health outcomes; (2) how an HIA can influence decision-making on public policies and planning that impact health; (3) its value in engaging the community, promoting advocacy, and securing funding; (4) the steps needed to conduct a HIA and how results can be used; (5) three HIA examples: one in Massachusetts and two currently being conducted in New Hampshire. **(CM | 1.25)**



## Planning with the People – Carriage House

*Betsy Rosenbluth, Director of Projects, Orton Family Foundation*

*Greg Duggan, Town Planner, Town of Essex, VT*

*John Alden, Planning Board Member, Village of Essex Junction, VT*

Looking for ways to make your planning projects more inclusive? This workshop is for you! It will feature the story of Essex, VT and Essex Junction, VT who have been using Heart & Soul Community Planning to engage a diversity of residents in creating a shared vision and action plan for these overlapping municipalities. Greg and John will provide a planner's and planning board member's perspective on what it takes to do this work well. Betsy will then speak to the top ten tips for creating more inclusive and effective planning projects drawing on examples in New England and beyond. **(CM | 1.25)**

## 12:00 – 12:45 LUNCH – Winnepesaukee Ballroom

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**12:15 – 1:45**    **AFTERNOON PLENARY: *Koontz* in a Northern Climate: The State of Takings –**  
Winnepesaukee Ballroom

**Sponsors:**     ***New Hampshire Community Development Finance Authority***  
***New Hampshire’s Regional Planning Commissions***

*Catherine Connors, Esq., Pierce Atwood*  
*Christopher L. Boldt, Esq., Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC*  
*Sharon Murray, AICP, Front Porch Community Planning & Design*  
*Moderator: Benjamin Frost, Esq., AICP, New Hampshire Housing*

Earlier this year the US Supreme Court handed down an important takings decision in *Koontz v. St. Johns River Water Management District*. In this complex 5-4 ruling, the court held that monetary conditions attached to land use permits are now subject to the heightened scrutiny tests of nexus and rough proportionality found in *Nollan* and *Dolan*– and that these tests also apply to permit denials, as was the case in *Koontz*.

What does this important decision mean to planners in Northern New England, and how much will its impact vary from one state to another? Depending on your point of view, this ruling could be seen to “threaten the heartland of local land use regulation” (Justice Kagan’s dissent) or it could be viewed as a minor shift in law and practice. Because of the complexity and ambiguity of the court’s ruling, it’s not perfectly clear. Join with experts in land use law from each of our states as they help you understand what *Koontz* means. **(CM | 1.5 LAW)**

**2:00 – 4:00**    **MOBILE WORKSHOPS**

**Sponsors:**     ***CLD Consulting Engineers; Front Porch Community Planning & Design; Nobis Engineering; UNH Department of Natural Resources and the Environment***

## **Workshop A. Moulton Farm & Page Pond and Forest**

*John Moulton, Moulton Farm*  
*Mark Billings, Meredith Conservation Commission*

This workshop includes two nearby stops located just off NH Route 25 only 2 miles east of the conference venue.

Moulton Farm is a very successful, multi-faceted farm/farm stand operation. The farm incorporates sustainable agricultural practices and received a “NH Farm of Distinction” by the NH Dept. of Agriculture. The farm offers a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) farm share program, a community garden program, educational programs and events throughout the season. John Moulton, owner, lifelong Meredith resident, UNH Graduate, and former educator will share his insights on sustaining local agriculture, land conservation and the

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relationship between agriculture and local planning.

Nearby, the 600 acre Page Pond and Forest conservation area was permanently protected in 2010. The property is under the active stewardship of the Meredith Conservation Commission which recently completed an ecological assessment of the property. Visitors to Page Pond and Forest enjoy an unspoiled pond, remnants of an historic mill and 7 miles of marked trails. Mark Billings, Chairman of the Meredith Conservation Commission will lead a 45-minute “walk and talk” sharing his insights into how a committed public/private partnership can succeed in the face of most challenging circumstances. **(CM | 2.0)**

## **Workshop B. Meredith Village Re-Development**

*John Edgar, AICP, Planning Director, Town of Meredith*

*Paul Cole, Special Projects Manager, Hampshire Hospitality Holdings*

This walking tour will examine the challenges and effects of transformative redevelopment that has occurred in Meredith Village over the last 30 years. A diversity of projects on the waterfront and on Main Street will be highlighted including the conference venue- Church Landing. Walkability initiatives, public infrastructure investments, and collaboration amongst private and non-profit sectors will be also be featured. **(CM | 2.0)**

## **Workshop C. Water Quality & Lake Winnepesaukee**

*Darlene Forst, NHDES Shoreland Program*

*Pat Tarpey, Executive Director for the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association*

*Jim Haney, Ph.D., Professor in the Department of Biological Sciences, University of New Hampshire*

*Steven Kahl, Ph.D., Director of Environmental and Energy Strategies, James Sewall Company*

*Robert W. Varney, Executive Vice President of Normandeau Associates*

*Collis Adams, Administrator, Wetlands Bureau, NH Department of Environmental Services*

The MV Doris E. has been chartered exclusively for the NNECAPA conference. We will board the MV Doris E. at the public docks adjacent to the conference venue for a two-hour tour of Lake Winnepesaukee. Shoreland and water quality experts will be on hand to informally discuss shorefront development and related water quality issues and to address questions. Bring your camera. Dress appropriately. There is an additional fee of \$25 for this workshop. **(CM | 2.0)**

## SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

**Collis Adams** has served as the administrator of the Wetlands Bureau at DES for the past twelve years. As the administrator, he oversees all activities relative to the New Hampshire Dredge and Fill Law (NH RSA 482-A) and the Surface Water Quality Protection Act (NH RSA 483-B). Prior to filling that role he spent ten years with the DES Alteration of Terrain Program reviewing and permitting plans for large scale developments. Before coming to DES, Collis spent four years in private engineering consulting owning and operating his own consulting firm and prior to that, a five year stint with the New England Division of the Army Corps of Engineers. In 1980 Collis graduated with a BSCE degree from the University of Massachusetts with an emphasis on environmental engineering. Prior to UMass, Collis spent four years studying engineering and architecture at The Ohio State University and he remains an avid Buckeye fan to this day!

**John Alden** is Vice Chair of the Essex Junction Planning Commission and a principal at Scott + Partners Architecture, also in the Village of Essex Junction, VT. Since graduating with a Masters in Architecture from SUNY Buffalo in 1989, John has specialized in public schools and municipal building projects with over 20 years of design and planning experience in this field.

**Charlie Baker** joined the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) in 2008 as their Executive Director. He has been leading CCRPC's efforts to refine and implement a regional plan for sustainable development, titled ECOS (Environment, Community, Opportunity, and Sustainability) with a 65 member steering committee. The ECOS Plan integrates all of our federally required plans including the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). He also recently guided CCRPC through a merger of the MPO and RPC. He was previously the Land Use General Manager for New Castle County, DE, Deputy Director of the Wilmington (DE) Area Planning Council, and worked for Burlington County, NJ and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission. He's a regional planning graduate of Cornell University with 25 years experience as a transportation and land use planner.

**Thomas Ballestero, Ph.D.**, is a hydrologist and water resources engineer at the University of New Hampshire. He teaches courses in Groundwater Topics, Hydrologic Monitoring, Hydrology, Coastal Engineering, Stream Restoration, and Stormwater Management. His research interests are broadly in the field of water resources computer simulation and field measurement of parameters. Since 1995, Dr. Ballestero has directed research into stormwater management. His studies in the 1990's focused on the removal of pollutants in traditional designs based upon the conclusions found in EPA's National Urban Runoff Program. These studies demonstrated that the state-of-the-art systems (ponds and swales) performed poorly at removing most stormwater contaminants. At this same time, the Clean Water Act was moving the United States to better stormwater management, and one response was a multitude of manufactured products that claimed to meet water quality targets, but had no independent field testing to support the claims. This then led to the formation of the UNH Stormwater Center: proposed to NOAA by Dr. Ballestero, this Center explores and develops modern stormwater management technologies. Although the Stormwater Center involves many people, Dr. Ballestero has been integrally involved in most of its projects including: monitoring, permeable pavements, total maximum daily loads, data synthesis, nutrient removal, sealants, system hydrology, retrofit designs, linking stormwater management to stream restoration to watershed improvement, and outreach. Dr. Ballestero is the Director of the UNH Stormwater Center.

**Mark Billings** is a graduate of Babson College in Wellesley, MA, with extensive experience in the field of investment banking and asset management. Mark served as Senior Vice President with Merrill Lynch (1974 – 1981), a principal of Morgan Stanley & Company (1984 – 1997) and Managing Director at Deutsch Bank (1997 - 2000). Mark was Director of Marketing and Product Development for First Quadrant, an institutional asset management firm in Pasadena CA. (2001 - 2007). Mark moved to Meredith, NH in 2002. As an outdoor enthusiast and member of the Trust for Public Lands Advisory Board, Mark currently serves as the Chairman of the Meredith Conservation Commission and was instrumental in shepherding the Page Pond & Forest project. Mark also serves the community in a number of other volunteer capacities including Town Treasurer, School Board member and member of the Meredith Energy Committee. Married almost 43 years to his wife Martha, together they have raised three sons now off on their own.



**Christopher L. Boldt, Esq.** Chris is a partner at Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC, in the Firm's Meredith, NH offices, where he concentrates his practice on municipal and real estate/land use law. He earned his B.A. from Trinity University in 1984, a Diploma of Anglo-Irish Literature from Trinity College, Dublin in 1985, and his J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law in 1988. Chris actively handles matters involving municipal law and taxation, conveyance and title issues, boundary disputes, land use and development matters, conservation easements, litigation throughout New Hampshire, matters before various State Agencies including the BTLA, PUC, DES and DOT, appeals to the New Hampshire Supreme Court, and mediation. Since February 2004, Chris has been appointed as a member of the NHBA Real Estate Section's subcommittee in charge of reviewing and revising the New Hampshire Title Standards. Chris is a member of the Belknap County Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas and the New Hampshire Bar Association, where he is a member of the Municipal and Government Law Section (currently serving as Vice-Chair/Past Chair) and the Real Estate Section. Chris is a frequent lecturer for the Local Government Center, the New Hampshire Office of Energy and Planning, the New Hampshire Bar Association, and the New Hampshire Land Surveyors Association.

**Paul Cole**, a Rhode Island native migrated to NH in 1970 and planted his roots in the Lakes Region in 1985. His background started in Architectural Engineering but later found his true calling in hospitality. Paul has been part of the Mill Falls family for 28 years and is one of the original staff members that accompanied Rusty McLearn on the opening day of the Inn at Mill Falls in May of 1985. Paul has grown with the company and served in many capacities through the years from Group Sales Director to playing an instrumental role in the start up of Church Landing. He currently lends his expertise as a Special Projects Manager. His vast knowledge of the property and the hospitality industry are invaluable assets to the operation.

**Catherine Connors:** After graduating from Northwestern University Law School, Cathy served as a Law Clerk for Chief Judge John F. Grady of the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois, then joined Pierce Atwood, where she practices in the area of appellate litigation, including petitions for review of administrative decisions. She has argued over 100 appeals, primarily in the United States Courts of Appeals and the Maine Supreme Judicial Court. She is listed in *Woodward/White's The Best Lawyers in America* for Appellate Law, "Superlawyers.com" for Appellate Law, and *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers* for Commercial Litigation; was elected as a fellow of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers in 2005; and has served as a member of the First Circuit Advisory Committee on Rules. Cathy is admitted to practice in the states of Maine and Massachusetts; the U.S. District Court, District of Maine; the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois; the U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin; the U.S. Courts of Appeals for the D.C., First, Second, Third, Fifth and Sixth Circuits and the United States Supreme Court. She has written and spoken extensively on takings issues, litigated cases involving takings claims, and in 2011 was appointed by the Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives to serve on a Regulatory Takings Study Committee as the representative voice for private developers. Her blog can be found at [www.Maineappeals.com](http://www.Maineappeals.com).

**Gerald Coogan** began his professional career with the Southern Tier Central Regional Planning & Development Board in Corning, NY. In late 1973, he moved to Franconia, NH to serve as the first Executive Director of the North Country Council (NCC), where he established the on-going regional planning and economic development program for northern New Hampshire. After ten years at NCC, he established a consulting practice in 1984, which provided planning and development assistance to state agencies, municipalities, and attorneys, engineering firms, development corporations, and banks, non-profit and private organizations. He is an expert witness in land use and zoning matters before the NH Superior Court. At present, he is the Project Manager at the Lakes Region Planning Commission for economic development and the regional plan. He is a graduate of the University of Scranton with a BA in History and has a Masters Degree in Urban & Regional Planning from the University of Pittsburgh. He is the past President of the Northern New England Chapter of the American Planning Association. He and his wife Pat reside in New London, NH and they are the proud parents of Meredith, 29 and Tim, 23. He is an avid skier, cyclist, golfer and all around outdoor recreation enthusiast. For 10 years, he served as the Chairman of the New London Recreation Commission.

**Stacey Doll** worked for seven years at North Country Council Regional Planning Commission in Bethlehem, NH leading community, environmental, transportation, and regional planning efforts. Mrs. Doll then led the Mount Washington Resort's sustainability efforts as their coordinator, developing ecologically sound operational procedures and goals for the Resort and sustainability guidelines for all new development. She then spent three years coordinating the efforts of the State's Energy and Climate Collaborative who facilitates the implementation of the NH Climate Action Plan. Mrs. Doll now owns and operates her own business, Rooted by Stacey, LLC, where she focuses on the health and wellness of individuals and our natural world. She has been a member of the APA for twelve years, and has been a certified planner with the American Institute of Certified Planners (AICP) since 2004. She completed her Permaculture Design Certification (PDC) in January 2013 and completed her Advanced Permaculture Diploma in May 2013.

**Jim Donovan, FASLA, AICP**, practices landscape architecture and planning through his firm, Broadreach Planning & Design in Charlotte, Vermont. Jim has more than 25 years of experience in transportation and land use planning and community development with a strong focus on pedestrian and bicycle planning & design. Jim has written state, regional and local bicycle/pedestrian plans as well as numerous scoping studies and designs for individual walking and bicycling projects. He currently serves as the Vermont Representative on the NNECAPA Executive Committee (EC). He also serves on the Vermont Planners Association EC, is chair of the Vermont Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects Licensing and Advocacy Committee, serves on his local planning commission, and is the Town of Charlotte representative on the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission and MPO. In addition to being a Certified Planner with the American Planners Association, Jim is a licensed landscape architect in Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine and several other states.

**Greg Duggan** has been the Town Planner for Essex, Vermont since the fall of 2012. He received a Master of Public Administration degree from the Maxwell School of Syracuse University, and a bachelor's degree from Middlebury College. Prior to obtaining his master's degree, Duggan worked as a newspaper reporter and editor in Massachusetts and Vermont.

**Zon Eastes**, Director of Outreach and Advancement, VT Arts Council. State University of New York at Stony Brook, University of New Mexico. Previously served as Executive Director of the Brattleboro Music Center and the Bainbridge Island Arts and Humanities Council. He has consulted with nonprofits to increase organizational capacity, to plan strategically, and to enhance board engagement. Eastes has served on community boards such as the Windham Regional Planning Commission, Building a Better Brattleboro, Brattleboro Arts Initiative, and the Bainbridge Island Tourism Alliance. He has conducted symphony orchestras on both coasts, and was Music Director of the Windham Orchestra for over twenty years.

**John Edgar**, AICP received a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Montclair State College in 1981. His career in local government administration spans 30 years of professional service. John initially served as Meredith's first Town Planner, and currently serves as its Community Development Director. He received accreditation as a professional planner from the American Institute of Certified Planners in 1995. In 2004 John received the Nelson B. Robinson Award from the Jordan Institute recognizing his ability to work collaboratively across the disciplines of public health, the environment and economics. In 2007 was named Professional Planner of the Year by the NH Planners Association. John has served on numerous state, regional and local study committees dealing with a wide variety of planning issues including non-point pollution, affordable housing, shoreline protection, and corridor planning and watershed management.

**Peg Elmer, AICP**, is a professional planner and long-time environmental advocate with a 36 year track record of creating training materials and programs for state and local policy-makers, lay and professional, guiding land use in Vermont. Prior to establishing Community-Resilience.org in 2012, she was Assistant Professor, Land Use Planning and Policy and Associate Director of the Land Use Clinic at the Vermont Law School. She's worked at the municipal, state agency, regional commission and non-profit levels – all aimed at developing and guiding land use policy. She serves as the Governor's "smart growth" appointment on the VT Downtown Board, on the Executive Committee of VT Planners

Association and is past-President of NNECAPA. She is a Leadership Associate of the Snelling Ctr for Government and has her B.S. in Natural Resource Mgt and M.C.P. from the University of Rhode Island.

**Carl Eppich, AICP** is a Senior Transportation Planner with the Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System. Carl manages transportation plan development and contracting, and ensures that plans are focused on all modes of travel. His areas of expertise are transit oriented development and non-motorized transportation for bicyclists and pedestrians. With over 20 years of professional experience, Carl has worked in non-profit, private, and public practice, which provides him with many lens through which to develop solutions in his work. Carl has also developed open space, recreation, and regional and local bicycle/pedestrian plans among many others. Currently his work involves active transportation planning, congestion management process development, and regional traffic management systems for all modes. Carl holds a B.S. in Environmental and Resource Economics from the University of New Hampshire, and a Master of Community Planning and Development from the Muskie School of Public Service at the University of Southern Maine. Carl is a certified planner with the American Planning Association and also has Certified Energy Manager (CEM) training. He serves as the President for NNECAPA and is a former Board Member of the Maine Association of Planners.

**Claudia Folska, Ph.D.** – see page 5 for bio.

**Rod Francis**, Planning Director, Town of Brattleboro. PhD Economic Geography, Monash University (Australia). more than twenty-five years experience in planning teaching and practice covering land use planning, community development, and housing. Prior to joining Brattleboro, Francis worked for the Windham Regional Commission. He has worked with multiple New England communities devising community engagement tools and drafting Town Plans. Rod has a longstanding interest in the significance of “place” and has developed strategies for communities to draw on their natural and cultural heritage so they may adapt to increasingly global futures.

**Ben Frost** is the Director of Public Affairs at New Hampshire Housing, where he coordinates federal and state legislative initiatives and provides direct technical assistance to municipalities to help them develop regulations promoting affordable housing and sustainable development. He frequently lectures on issues of affordable and workforce housing, planning and zoning law, and ethics. Ben has over 25 years of experience as a land use planner over 15 years as an attorney. Previously, he was a Senior Planner with the NH Office of Energy and Planning, he was the executive director of the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission, and he was also a planner and administrator in local and regional government in New Hampshire and elsewhere. Ben is a member of the Governing Council of Housing Action NH, a low-income housing advocacy organization. He is the past chairman of the Municipal Section of the New Hampshire Bar Association and is a founding director of the NH Municipal Lawyers Association. He is a board member of the New Hampshire Sustainable Energy Association and he represents New Hampshire Housing on the NH Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy Board. He serves as the Treasurer of the NH Planners Association and as the Professional Development Officer of the Northern New England Chapter of the American Planning Association and he is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. He is also a member of the legislative committees of the American Planning Association and the New Hampshire Bar Association. He serves on the Community Development Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. Ben holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in Geography (with a Soviet/Russian focus) from Colgate University and Syracuse University, respectively and a law degree from Cornell Law School with a concentration in business law and regulation. He lives in Warner, NH, where he serves on the planning board.

**Dirk Grotenhuis** (grow-ten-hice) is a Senior Engineer with RSG where he manages technical planning and design projects for transportation facilities including bicycle/pedestrian, roadways, urban streets, parking, and multi-modal transit. Dirk is currently managing a \$6M waterfront redevelopment project in Burlington Vermont that includes a competition skateboard park, ice skating rink, and regional bike path; also the Market Street Gateway Project in Portsmouth New Hampshire; and a 15 mile multi-use trail in Rocky Mountain National Park. Dirk is a professional engineer with over 20 years of civil engineering experience in transportation and site design. He attended University of Rhode Island and Roger

Williams University where he received his degree in civil engineering. Dirk is also a LEED Accredited Professional with deep knowledge base in sustainable, low impact practices, and is a registered Professional Engineer in New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Idaho, and U.S. Virgin Islands. Dirk serves locally on boards including the president elect for the NH National Society of Professional Engineers, a NH Bike/Pedestrian Transportation Advisory subcommittee member, a Commissioner for the Strafford Regional Planning Board, and a member of his local planning board.

**Jim Haney** is a Professor in Department of Biological Sciences at the University of New Hampshire where he teaches courses in Ecology, Limnology, Stream Ecology and Lake Management. He is also Director of UNH Center for Freshwater Biology. Prior to his arrival at UNH, he taught briefly at Yale University. He has a Bachelors and Masters degree in Zoology from Miami University; his Ph.D. is in Limnology from the University of Toronto and he also did post doctoral work at Michigan State University and at the .Max Planck Institute for Limnology in Germany. His research interests include the ecology of lakes and streams, and the impact of toxic cyanobacteria on lake food webs and human health.

**Jillian Harris** is a Regional Planner at Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC), where she assists member communities with regional and local planning services and expertise, in addition to leading various planning initiatives in the region and the state. Jillian has been working in regional planning since 2007 when she received her Masters of Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Colorado, Denver. Jillian received her B.S. in Natural Resources Management in 2004 from California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, CA. Previous to working for SNHPC, Jillian served as Regional Planner at the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency in Bristol, CT from 2007-2008.

**Steven Kahl, Ph.D.**, is the director of Environmental and Energy Strategies at James Sewall Company in Old Town, Maine, focusing on solutions such as low impact stormwater management, best practices and policies for shoreland protection. He was the founding director of the Center for the Environment at Plymouth State University and the founding Director of the Senator George Mitchell Center for Environmental Research at the University of Maine. He is a former Maine DEP geologist, is President of the Maine Lakes Society, and past President of the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association. Steve has a PhD in Geological Sciences from the University of Maine.

**Mark B. Lapping** is Distinguished Professor of Planning and Public Policy at the Edmund S. Muskie School of Public Service at the University of Southern Maine, Portland. Previously he served as the founding Dean of the Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy at Rutgers University, Dean of the College of Architecture, Planning and Design at Kansas State University and founding Director of the School of Rural Planning and Development at Ontario's University of Guelph. Prior to that he served on the faculty at the University of Vermont, among others. He is the author or co-author of 9 books, including the APA Planner's Press, "The Small Town Planning Handbook" and well over 150 scholarly articles and monographs. He has served on the editorial boards of the Journal of the American Planning Association, the Journal of Planning Education and Research and the Journal of Rural Studies. He frequently consults for government agencies across the US and Canada.

**Nancy Lavigne is on the Board of Directors of the Greater Meredith Program.** Nancy has been designing and installing landscapes for 20 years, mainly in the Bedford, NH area. This was not her field of study, but something she has always enjoyed which became a career. Nancy and her husband moved to Meredith from Bedford nearly six years ago. Nancy volunteered to help plant the native garden at the Meredith Community Center (a project of the Greater Meredith Program) and subsequently joined the group as a member of the Design Committee and the Board of Directors. Nancy is also a member of the Community Garden Club, which plants many of the barrels and window boxes around town. Much of the beauty of Meredith can be attributed to the combined efforts of many local organizations and businesses.

**Johnathan Law** joined the professional staff of CRJA in the summer of 2001. Prior to that he served as an Intern at CRJA for a year in the fall of 1998. Since joining CRJA, he has been involved in a broad array of projects, from the design of major improvements to the site of an inner city housing development to urban streetscape revitalization, school master

planning and site design, and parkland reservation design. Mr. Law brings to his projects several years of project management experience and construction knowledge. His efforts currently focus on a variety of projects throughout New England.

**Peter Lowell** has served as Executive Director of the Lakes Environmental Association since 1972. LEA is Maine's largest lakes association, serving 38 lakes since 1970. Peter has been a Code Enforcement Officer and has won Maine DEP and USEPA awards for lake protection. Overseeing a year-round staff of five and a seasonal staff of forty, Peter developed the state's Courtesy Boat Inspector Program, local parks, and numerous shoreland zoning upgrades. He is a graduate of Colby College.

**Matt Mann** currently works at the Windham Regional Commission, where he manages the regional transportation planning and project development programs. He has worked as a Senior Transportation Planner for five years, dealing with a range of topics including town project planning, local project management, public transit coordination, development review, infrastructure inventories, bicycle/pedestrian projects, livable communities, and traffic impact review. His educational background is in Resource Management and Administration.

**Ridgely Mauck**, is a registered professional engineer and supervisor of the NHDES Alteration of Terrain program. The Alteration of Terrain permitting process requires the implementation of controls for the attenuation of stormwater runoff, treatment, and erosion controls for large development projects in New Hampshire. Prior to joining NHDES in 1996, he worked in private consulting for about 12 years providing engineering services in the civil, environmental, and geotechnical engineering fields.

**Gene McCarthy, P.E., Project Manager, McFarland Johnson, Inc.** Mr. McCarthy is a licensed professional engineer with 20 years of experience in transportation engineering, design, planning, and project management. His technical skills include the design of roads, interchanges, and highways; preparation of interstate and interchange geometrics; preparation of construction traffic control plans; and conducting constructability analyses for transportation projects throughout the Northeast. He has been involved in a wide range of roadway improvement projects ranging from local roads to interstate highways. Mr. McCarthy has been the Project Manager for all of McFarland Johnson's use of the Context Sensitive Solutions process to enhance public involvement for transportation planning projects.

**Kellie Merrell** has been monitoring Vermont lakes as an Environmental Scientist since 2001. From 2005 through 2011 she conducted a study to measure the effects unbuffered development has on littoral aquatic habitat and whether or not Maine's Mandatory Shoreland Zoning standards make it possible to both develop a lakeshore and protect aquatic habitat. Prior to that she liked her water salty and monitored estuaries from Maine to Virginia for EPA and worked in environmental consulting. At Horn Point Laboratory she conducted studies on Chesapeake, Chicoteague and Sinepuxent Bays. She studied the freshwater aquatic plant, wild celery, for her MS degree.

**Lisa Morris** has her Bachelors degree in Occupational Therapy and her Masters in Social Work from Springfield College. She has over 30 years' experience in behavioral health, elder services and non-profit management. In her current role as Executive Director of the Lakes Region Partnership for Public Health, Lisa and the LRPPH staff have led efforts in disease prevention and health promotion in the Lakes Region. Current services include: Community Health Assessments, Public Health Emergency Planning and Response, Substance Abuse and Obesity prevention, School Based Immunization, Environmental Health, Melanoma prevention, ServiceLink Resource Center and Immigrant Integration.

**John Moulton** is a lifelong resident of Meredith, New Hampshire. John is a UNH Graduate, former teacher and cooperative education coordinator for Pinkerton Academy, and is active in various local organizations and service groups. He is also a member of several county and state associations. His first experience with produce marketing came at the age of eight, when he sold pumpkins from the bed of a truck parked beside Rte. 25. Committed to preserving the farm's rich soil for future generations, Moulton Farm practices sustainable agriculture and the farm is now in perpetual

conservation and will always be used for agriculture or forestry. To pass a love farming and locally produced food along to future generations, Moulton Farm regularly offers workshops, events, and school outings.

**Sharon Murray, AICP** of Front Porch Community Planning & Design, has been providing professional planning services to local communities, regional planning commissions, state agencies and nonprofits in Vermont and northern New England for more than twenty-five years. Areas of expertise include comprehensive and strategic planning, development regulation, local resource conservation and growth management. Professional interests include planning policy and land use law. Before founding Front Porch in 2005, Sharon was a principal with Burnt Rock Inc. Associates in Community Planning. Prior to that, she worked for the Northwest Regional Planning Commission, including six years as its executive director. Sharon is a past president and the current legislative liaison for the Vermont Planners Association, serves on the board of the Northern New England Chapter of the American Planning Association, is certified through the American Institute of Certified Planners, and is an affiliate member of the Vermont Bar Association. She lives on the banks of the Winooski River in Bolton, where she currently chairs the town's development review board.

**Carol Pierce** is a founder of *newdynamics*, an organization development firm. Her specialties are diversity consulting and training, process consultation, and strategic planning in flatter, less hierarchical structure. She has worked with a variety of clients in business, industry, human service, health, education, and religious institutions. Ms. Pierce is an innovator in the field of diversity education, starting at a time when there were almost no programs in professional diversity training and very little published material for corporate consulting in the field. Along with her diverse colleagues, she has been a creator of programs and writer in the areas of gender, race and culture, sexual orientation, and the use of egalitarian structure where power equity, partnership and creativity are important. Partially retired, in 2000 Ms. Pierce worked with Laconia Police William Baker to create the Laconia Human Relations Committee, a mayor's committee. It is dedicated to valuing the cultural diversity of Laconia and cultivating a community-wide climate that will not tolerate prejudice or discrimination of any kind which undermines the dignity of any person. She also created the Laconia Refugee Connections Committee. This committee supports the resettlement of refugees in Laconia sponsored by Lutheran Social Services, an official resettlement agency for NH.

**Betsy Rosenbluth** is the Director of Projects for the Orton Family Foundation. With over 25 years of experience in community development, she previously worked as a consultant on sustainability issues, including helping to draft Vermont's first Farm to School legislation, and spent over ten years with the Burlington Community Economic Development Office working on waterfront revitalization. She co-directed the creation of Echo Lake Aquarium and Science Center, which transformed a Navy Reserve Training Center into a lake science center and aquarium. Betsy holds a Masters in Community Economic Development from Southern New Hampshire University.

**Lindsay E. Rosenfeld** is a social epidemiologist with research interests in program and policy design that focus on the health impacts of "nonhealth" policies and programs, particularly concerning the built environment, urban planning and design, housing, neighborhoods, education, (im)migration, and health literacy. Throughout her career she has served in numerous research, policy, teaching, and community social-service capacities — passionate about translating research into policy. Dr. Rosenfeld has varied experience with Health Impact Assessment, including participating in two Massachusetts Child Health Impact Assessments (2005, 2006) concerning the MA Rental Voucher Program and LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program). She served as a reviewer of the 2011 National Research Council report: *Improving Health in the United States: The Role of Health Impact Assessment*. She has also worked widely in New England with professionals and communities interested in learning about and using Health Impact Assessment. Dr. Rosenfeld earned her bachelor's degree in women's studies from Brown University and both her master's degree and doctorate in public health from the Harvard School of Public Health. Her primary appointment is as a Research Scientist and Instructor at Brandeis University, Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Institute for Child, Youth, and Family Policy.

**Victor Rubin**, Vice President for Research at PolicyLink. Victor leads knowledge-building, evaluation, and qualitative and quantitative analysis activities to build a strong research base for PolicyLink. Recently he has been particularly deeply

involved in analyses of equity issues in infrastructure, and in strategies to address health disparities through improvements to the built environment. Rubin previously directed the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of University Partnerships, and served as a director of the University-Oakland Metropolitan Forum, a partnership based at the University of California, Berkeley, where he was also an adjunct associate professor of city and regional planning. Rubin holds a BA in public affairs from the University of Chicago, and an MCP and PhD in city and regional planning from UC Berkeley.

**Jeff Schloss** is currently the Natural Resources Team Program Leader for UNH Cooperative Extension, supervising programming in Water Resources, Forestry, Wildlife and Fisheries, Sea Grant Extension and Geospatial Technologies. Before that he was an Extension Professor in the UNH Department of Biological Sciences. Jeff holds a number of additional appointments at the University of New Hampshire (UNH) as a Water Resources Specialist for UNH Cooperative Extension, and (since 2010) as Associate Director of the UNH Center for Freshwater Biology. Since 1986, he has been the Co-director of the New Hampshire Lakes Lay Monitoring Program a nationally recognized volunteer lake and tributary citizen science monitoring program initiated in 1979. Employment, consulting and appointments for the past 30 years include applied water quality and aquatic ecology research with the Smithsonian Institution, U.S. National Park Service, U.S. National Institutes of Health, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Navy Research Laboratory and the U.S. Geological Survey.

**Pat Tarpey**, Executive Director for the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association, has been actively engaged in working with the public and communities regarding Lake Winnepesaukee water quality issues and concerns for the past twelve years. Her experience includes managing several successful projects and programs including the Winnepesaukee Watershed AmeriCorps Program, "Tributary Monitoring in the Winnepesaukee Watershed" project, coordination of water quality monitoring on Lake Winnepesaukee, the award winning "Winnepesaukee Gateway" watershed management plan and website, and most recently will be managing two septic system incentive programs. Pat obtained her Master of Science degree in Environmental Science and Policy from Plymouth State University in June 2013.

**Sandrine Thibault** has served as the City of Burlington's Comprehensive Planner since January 2008. For the past 2 and a half years, she has managed planBTV, a master plan for the downtown and waterfront area of Burlington. This planning process has engaged over 2,000 diverse stakeholders and has been the most comprehensive public engagement process the City has ever seen. Her prior experience includes three years as a Principal Planner with the State of New Hampshire's Office of Energy and Planning, two years as a Principal Planner with the North Country Council in New Hampshire and one year as Zoning Review Coordinator for the City of Baton Rouge in Louisiana. She holds a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of New Orleans and a bachelor's in urban planning from the University of Montreal, Canada.

**Russ Thibeault** is the President of Applied Economic Research, which he founded AER in 1976. He has completed economic and real estate assignments in over 30 states. Russ holds a bachelor's degree from the University of New Hampshire and a Master's degree from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Russ holds the NH Certified General Appraiser Certificate #004. He is a member of the Institute of Business Appraisers, the National Association of Business Economists and an Associate member of the Appraisal Institute. He currently is a Director of Laconia Savings Bank and has previously served on the Board of First NH Banks and Indian Head Bank (Laconia). Russ's practice embraces a broad range of skill sets including real estate and business valuation, economic impact assessment, and real estate market/investment analysis. He has been qualified as an expert witness in nearly all of New Hampshire's Superior Courts, Federal District Court and the Federal Bankruptcy Court (NH).

**Robert W. Varney** is Executive Vice President of Normandeau Associates, one of the nation's largest science-based environmental consulting firms with 17 offices in 12 states. As the former head of EPA Region 1 for eight years, Bob was the longest-serving regional administrator and the top environmental official in New England, where he was nationally recognized for instituting many innovative approaches and policy initiatives that have served as national models. Previously, Mr. Varney was the nation's longest-serving state environmental commissioner. As Commissioner of the New

Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) for 12 years, he was appointed by three governors of both political parties. Prior to NHDES, he served as Director of the New Hampshire Office of State Planning, Executive Director of the Nashua Regional Planning Commission, and Executive Director of the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council. Bob is well known throughout Northern New England for his work with state agencies, RPC's, local communities and others on a wide range of planning, development and resource protection efforts. He holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the University of New Hampshire and a master's degree in urban planning from Michigan State University.

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