

The Northeast Natural Heritage Conference

Monday, April 20

Session	Presenter	Track
8:30am – 9:00am Welcome/Brief Plenary	TBD	All
9:00am – 5:00pm Concurrent Sessions:		
The State of Our Data: 2008 Benchmark Data Content Standards Report	Cameron Scott and Lynn Kutner, NatureServe	<i>Joint Session:</i> Leadership, Information Management
Screening for At-Risk Species: NatureServe's New Element Occurrence Web Service	Kat Maybury, NatureServe, Nick Conrad, NY NHP, and Peter Sorrill, Ontario NHIC	<i>Joint Session:</i> Leadership, Zoology, Botany, Information Management
Status and Future Direction of NatureServe's Management of Observation Data	Jennifer Nichols, NatureServe	<i>Joint Session:</i> Leadership, Zoology, Botany, Information Management
Notes from the Field: A Time to Catch Up on Northeast Zoology and Botany	Nichole Capuano and Margaret Ormes, NatureServe	<i>Joint Session:</i> Zoology, Botany
New Tools and Products for Botany and Zoology: Advances in Methodology, Data Types, Taxonomy and More	Bruce Young, NatureServe	<i>Joint Session:</i> Zoology, Botany
NatureServe Methodology Development: Progress and New Priorities	Jennifer Nichols, Lynn Kutner, Don Faber-Langendoen and Pat Comer, NatureServe	<i>Joint Session:</i> Zoology, Botany, Ecology, Information Management
LandScope America: Coming Soon to Your State	Lori Scott, et al., NatureServe (states TBD)	Leadership
The NatureServe Conservation Planning Network	Patrick Crist, NatureServe	Leadership
With a Little Help from My Friends: Advancing Both Missions through The Nature Conservancy/NatureServe Partnership	Mary Klein and Shara Howie, NatureServe	Leadership
High Allegheny Wetlands: Ecological Classification and Conservation Priorities	Elizabeth Byers and James Vanderhorst, WV NHP	Ecology
Inventory, Classification and Description of Riparian Natural Community Reference Types for West Kill Watershed, New York	Frederick Sechler, NY NHP	Ecology

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Pennsylvania Aquatic Community Classification: Development, Description and Applications	Jeremy Deeds, Mary Walsh and Betsy Nightingale, PA NHP	Ecology
Vegetation Community Mapping to NVC Association in Delaware: Developing a Baseline for Comparing Changes Over Time	Robert Coze, DE NHP	Ecology
Restoration and Management of the Goat Hill Serpentine Barrens in Southwestern Pennsylvania	Mary Ann Furedi, PA NHP	Ecology
Application of the Global Ranking Calculator to Communities: Examples from the Northeast	Lesley Sneddon, NatureServe	Ecology
Information Management: Birds-Eye Overview and On-the Ground Topics by Request (including Biotics, observation data management, community data upload and crosswalk, and more)	Susan Klugman and Kierstin Carlson, PA NHP, and Rob Solomon, NatureServe	Information Management
Evening: All NatureServe Network Party		

Tuesday, April 21

9:00am – 5:00pm Concurrent Sessions:

NatureServe Network Business Meeting – open to all member programs and staff	U.S. and Section Council and others (TBD)	Leadership
U.S. Section Council Planning Meeting – Network and staff observers welcome	U.S. and Section Council	Leadership
Ranking Element Occurrences for High-Priority Animal Species	Jay Cordeiro, NatureServe	Zoology
Methodological Issues Roundtable	Margaret Ormes, NatureServe	Zoology
Planning for the Final Year of a Statewide Atlas: The New York Dragonfly and Damselfly Survey	Erin White, NY NHP	Zoology
Six Years of Research on the Eastern Massasauga in Pennsylvania: From Inventory to Conservation Planning	Ryan Miller and Matt Kowalski, PA NHP	Zoology
Ranking Birds in New York Using the Rank Calculator	Kelly Perkins, NY NHP	Zoology

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Botany Global Ranking Session: To Rank and How To Rank – That is the Global Plant Question!		Botany (all day workshop)
Eastern Wildlife Habitat Classification and Map	Sue Gawler, NatureServe	Ecology
Ecology Systems Map Review: Working Session	Lesley Sneddon, NatureServe	Ecology
Integrating Multiple Databases to Streamline Data Transfer from Field to Web	Shelley Cooke, NY NHP	Information Management
Field Data Collection Tools and Systems in Member Programs	Rob Solomon, NatureServe, and others (TBD)	Information Management
Element Occurrence Mapping Precision: Approaches and Difficulties in Filtering EO Representations Based on Spatial Precision	Jason McNees, NatureServe	Information Management
Hotlinking PDFs to Shapefiles to Share EO Data More Effectively	Shelley Cooke, NY NHP	Information Management
Virginia Natural Heritage Conservation Sites: A Makeover in the Making	Jason Bulluck, VA NHP	Information Management
Sharepoint for the Network: A Training Session for a New Network Collaboration Tool	Shelley Cook, NY NHP	Information Management
1:00pm – 5:00pm Field Trips	TBD	All