



Northeast Forum

Adapting to Climate Change in the Northeast: Water Quantity and Quality Challenges for Agricultural and Natural Systems

USDA Beltsville Agricultural Research Center Campus, Maryland
March 23-24, 2011

Purpose: To catalyze and facilitate multi-disciplinary and multi-institutional research groups to form and develop new regional initiatives.

Expected Outcomes:

- New resources to support research and education in NE identified and secured
- Increased trans-disciplinary, inter-institutional collaboration
- A network of experts that will continue to communicate even after the Forum to work on proposal/projects and other cooperative initiatives
- Specific areas of potential collaboration identified
- Potential teams for regional grant proposals be formed

Wednesday, March 23	Holiday Inn, College Park
5:00-7:00 pm	Registration
5:00-7:00 pm	Reception at the Holiday Inn's Moose Creek Steak House - Adirondack Room
Thursday, March 24	USDA-ARS-BARC Building 5, Room 021
7:00-8:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00-8:20 am	Welcome Remarks ✓ Joseph Spence, USDA-ARS-BARC Director ✓ Cheng-i Wei, Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Maryland Mary Ann Ottinger, Associate Vice President for Research Compliance and Policy, University of Maryland <i>- Trans, diversity</i> <i>- Translational</i> <i>- Local barriers</i>
8:20-8:30 am	Introductions and Overview – Daniel Rossi, NERA Executive Director
8:30-10:00 am	Plenary Session ✓ Susan Riha, Professor and Director, NYS Water Resources Institute, Cornell University <i>Sponsored in</i> <i>Steve Shaw</i> <i>Hedgers as Active manager</i> ✓ Adam Parris, Regional Integrated Science and Assessments (RISA) Program Leader, NOAA ✓ Louie Tupas, Division Director, Global Climate Change, USDA-NIFA
10:00-10:10 am	Charge to the Breakouts <i>- Identify, common interest, capacity - priority</i>
10:10-10:30 am	Break
10:30-11:30 am	Breakouts – Potential Areas of Collaboration -
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Breakout Reports and Charge for the Afternoon Session
12:00 – 1:15 pm	Lunch
1:15 – 2:30 pm	Breakouts – Framing Proposals <i>- integrated - issues to be included</i>
2:30 – 3:00 pm	Breakout Reports
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Wrap-up and Adjourn



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