

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

As of April 16, 2008. All information is subject to change.

### Wednesday, May 28, 2008

PRE-CONFERENCE	
8:30 – 5:00	Community Tree Leadership Forum Presented by the Alliance for Community Trees (Optional Activity: Cost \$55 – 75)
6:00 – 9:00	Conference Registration Opens 6:00 pm

### Thursday, May 29, 2008

CONFERENCE DAY 1 of 2	
7:30 – 5:30	Registration Open
7:30 – 8:15	Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00	Opening General Session
10:00 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 12:00	Keynote Session
12:15 – 1:30	Lunch with Presentations
2:00 – 3:00	General Session
3:00 – 3:30	Break
3:30 – 5:00	Concurrent Sessions
5:00 – 7:00	Evening Reception

### Featured Speakers & Organizations:

#### General Session

Nature and the Network - A New Conceptual Framework - Understanding the Natural and Human Systems and How They Interact - The Piedmont Crescent Example: Michael Gallis, MGA; Gary Moll, American Forests; Michael Flaxman, MIT

#### Keynote Session

Investments in Transportation are Investments in the Environment; Emil Frankel, Director of Transportation Policy, Bipartisan Policy Center and former Assistant Secretary for Transportation of US DOT

Connecting Nature and the Network for Regional Development: Win Hallett, Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce and Chairman, US Chamber of Commerce Committee of 100

#### Lunch Session

Landscape Conservation and the Network: Guiding Principles: Jeff Danter, State Director, Nature Conservancy, Florida Chapter

#### General Session

The MyRegion Experience: Shelly Lauten, Executive Director, MyRegion.org

#### Concurrent Sessions

Developing a Digital Model for Analyzing Community Development: Dr. Michael Flaxman, MIT Systems Modeling; Michael Gallis, MGA; Gary Moll, AF

A Model for Easier Access to Mapping Data for Urban Forestry & Planning: Ian Hanou, NCDL; Bill Peel, RFP Mapping

Planning the Urban Forest: Ecology, Economy and Community Development: Cheryl Kollin, American Forests; Jim Schwab, American Planning Association; Moderator Phillip Rodbell, USFS

The USFS Redesign: Jim Hubbard, USFS

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Friday, May 30, 2008

CONFERENCE DAY 2 of 2	
7:30 – 2:00	Registration & Information Open
7:30 – 8:15	Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00	Concurrent Sessions
10:00 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 12:00	Concurrent Sessions
12:15 – 3:00	Closing Lunch with Presentations
3:00 – 3:30	Break
3:30 – 5:00	Networking Groups

### Featured Speakers & Organizations:

#### Concurrent Sessions

Moderators Ed Macie and Phillip Rodbell, USFS

- Landscape Scale Projects: Jenny Gulick, Davey Resource Group
- A Model for Large Scale Watershed Restoration and Stewardship: Heather Montgomery, Potomac Partners
- Rebuilding Charlotte's Natural System by Re-establishment of the County's Tree Cover: Rick Roti, Charlotte, North Carolina Tree Board

Session: Human Network: Green Infrastructure - Opportunities and Challenges

- Green Highways Partnership: Dominique Lueckenhoff, Water Protection Division, EPA Region III; GHP Ad Hoc Committee
- Low Impact Development (LID) + Best Management Practices (BMP), An Environmental Management Systems (EMS) Approach: Robb Jolly, AIA, CSI, ReVision Strategy + Design; GHP Outreach, Development and Communications
- Drawing a Link between Congestion Mitigation, the Environment, and Pavement Type: Leif Wathne, P.E., American Concrete Pavement Association

Measuring and Monitoring Green Infrastructure: Andrew Brenner, Sanborn; Kevin LeClair, City of Bellevue

Florida's Waterways Session 1 - Defining the Landscape Context for the Northern Everglades Region

- Moderator Keith Fisher, The Nature Conservancy (TNC), Florida Chapter
- Historic vs. Current Conditions In The Northern Everglades, Where We Are And Where Do We Need To Be.: Paul Gray, Ph. D., Audubon of Florida (invited)
  - Integrating Restoration Needs In The Northern Everglades With The MyRegion Vision: Walt Thomson, TNC; Jenny Conner, TNC; Tom Teets, S. Florida Water Management District (invited)
  - Greater Ridge Conservation Planning Tool - A Tool For Evaluating Landscape Context For Growth Planning Decisions: Tricia Martin, TNC

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Moderators Ed Macie and Phillip Rodbell, USFS

- Landscape Scale Projects: Jim Fox, University of North Carolina

- Landscape Conservation in the Northeast Mega-Region: Rob Pirani, Regional Plan Association NY
- The Green Seattle Partnership - Combining Human and Ecologically Systems For a City Wide Forest Restoration Program: Mark Mead, Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation

Federal Update: Opportunities and Challenges for Urban National Resources in the Federal Agenda: Alice Ewen Walker, Alliance for Community Trees; Gerry Grey, American Forests

- Sustainable Tree Ordinances: Buck Abbey, LSU
- An Assessment of Canopy and Impervious Surface Changes For Metropolitan Areas Across the SE US: Results of a Prototype For a Nat'l Database System: Liz Kramer, NARSAL, UGA

Florida's Waterways Session 2 - Defining the Process, How to Move From Planning to Implementation

- Moderator Keith Fisher, TNC, Florida Chapter
- The Disney Wilderness Preserve Story and Targeted Mitigation: Keith Fisher, TNC
  - The Wekiva Basin Task Force - Lesson Learned and Application to the Northern Everglades Issues: Keith Schue, TNC
  - Panel Discussion - Tying It All Together. How Do We Get Where We Need to Be: Charles Lee, Audubon of Florida (invited); Representative, S. Florida Water Management District (invited); Representative, US Army Corp of Engineers, Jacksonville District (tentative); Representative, Everglades Coalition (tentative)

#### Closing Lunch Session

*Return to the Forest Where We Live* - Video Preview  
Presented by: Louisiana Public Broadcasting

The Southern Piedmont Crescent: Evolution of an Urban Region: David Goldfield, Historian, UNC Charlotte

A National Systems Framework for the Environment: Michael Gallis, MGA

#### Additional Meetings

CITYgreen, Historic Trees