NEERS Spring 2005 MEETING PROGRAM

Meeting Synopsis

Thursday, April 28: 8:30 AM – 10:00 PM

Meeting Registration, Water to Water Symposium including Capstone Presentation by Ivan Valiela, Lunch, Welcoming Social

Friday, April 29: 7:30 AM – 11:00 PM (or beyond)

Meeting Registration, Contributed Oral Presentations, Lunch, Poster Session, Continued Oral Presentations, Business Meeting, Social, Awards Banquet, Listening and Dancing to Link Montana and the Roamin' Catholics

Saturday, April 30: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Contributed Oral Presentations, Mini-symposium on Salt Marsh Restoration, Field trip to salt marsh restoration sites, Walking tour of Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary

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5:00 - 7:00 PM	Meeting Registration
7:00 - 10:00 PM	Welcoming Social (Mass Audubon Wellfleet Bay Sanctuary)

SPECIAL SYMPOSIUM

Water to Water: Watersheds and the Estuaries They Affect Session Chair=Sandy Macfarlane, Coastal Resource Specialists

- **9:30** Welcome and Introduction Sandy Macfarlane
- **9:45** Eichner, E. M.

Cape Cod Commission, 3225 Main St., PO Box 225 Barnstable, MA 02630 IMPLEMENTING COASTAL WATER QUALITY PROTECTION ON CAPE COD: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

10:05 Bowen*, J. L., and I. Valiela

Boston Univ. Marine Program, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543 NITROGEN LOADS TO ESTUARIES: USING LOADING MODELS TO ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF MANAGEMENT OPTIONS TO RESTORE ESTUARINE WATER QUALITY

10:25 Crusius*, J.¹, D. Koopmans ¹, J.F. Bratton ¹, M. Charette ², K. Kroeger ², P. Henderson ², L. Ryckman ³, K. Halloran ⁴, and J. Colman⁵ ¹USGS, Woods Hole, MA 02543; ²Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole,

MA 02543; JU. of Pennsylvania; Bucknell University; USGS, Northborough, MA SUBMARINE GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE TO SALT POND (CCNS) ESTIMATED FROM CONTINUOUS 222Rn AND SALINITY MEASUREMENTS AND A BOX MODEL

10:45 BREAK

11:05 Colman*, J.A. and J.P. Masterson.

U.S. Geological Survey, Northborough, MA
NUTRIENT LOADS AND ELEMENT RATIOS FROM SUBURBAN LAND INPUT
OF NUTRIENTS CONTRIBUTED BY GROUND-WATER DISCHARGE TO
COASTAL EMBAYMENTS, NORTHEASTERN USA

11:25 Case, K. M., and L.E. Bireley*2

'National Park Service,P.O. Box 395, 100 East River Road, Pleasant Valley, CT 06063 ²Lyme Land Conservation Trust, Inc., PO Box 1002, Lyme, CT 06371 THE EIGHTMILE RIVER WATERSHED: PROTECTING OUTSTANDING WATER RESOURCE VALUES

11:45 Howes*, B.L.¹, R.I. Samimy¹, D.R. Schlezinger¹, J. Ramsey², and E. Eichner³

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³Cape Cod Commission, Barnstable Village, MA 02630

MASSACHUSETTS ESTUARIES PROJECT: SCIENCE TO SUPPORT ESTUARINE MANAGEMENT

12:05 - 1:15 LUNCH

1:15 Mather, M.

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, 01003 CAN TOP FISH PREDATORS LINK COMPONENTS OF ESTUARY FOOD WEBS

1:35 Larsen*, P.F.

Bigelow Laboratory for Ocean Sciences, West Boothbay Harbor, ME 04575 NUTRIENT SOURCES IN THE GULF OF MAINE MACROTIDAL ESTUARIES WITH SPECIAL CONSIDERATION OF DISTRIBUTIONS IN COBSCOOK BAY, MAINE

1:55 Heufelder, G.

Barnstable County Department of Health and Environment
PERFORMANCE OF DENITRIFYING SEPTIC SYSTEMS AT THE
MASSACHUSETTS ALTERNATIVE SEPTIC SYSTEM TEST CENTER

2:15 Tetrault, K.

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Suffolk County, Marine Environmental Learning Center, 3690 Cedar Beach Road. Southold, NY, 11971
THOUGHTS ON HOW TO INITIATE A COMMUNITY-BASED RESTORATION

EFFORT AND THEN KEEP IT ACTIVE, GROWING AND SUSTAINABLE.

2:35 Lind, H.

Natural Resources Director, 555 Old Orchard Rd Eastham, MA 02642 MULTITASKING BIVALVES -- THE DELICIOUS FILTER FEEDERS

2:55 BREAK

- 3:15 Robinson*, K. W.¹, R.B. Moore¹, C. M. Johnston¹, H.A. Walker², E. H. Dettmann², and L. J. Blake³
 - ¹ U.S. Geological Survey, 361 Commerce Way, Pembroke, NH 03275;
 - ² USEPA, ORD, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Atlantic Ecology Division, 27 Tarzwell Dr. Narragansett, RI 02882;
 - ³ New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Comm., Foot of John St., Lowell MA, 01852-1102

USING THE NEW ENGLAND SPARROW WATER-QUALITY MODEL TO EVALUATE NITROGEN FLUXES TO COASTAL WATERS

- 3:35 Saunders*, W.1, A.J. Garro², and J. Peirce³
 - 'Applied Technology & Management, Inc., 360 Thames St. Suite 1B, Newport, RI 02840;
 - ² BETA Engineering, 315 Norwood Park South, Norwood, MA 02062;
 - ³Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, Central Regional Office, 627 Main St., Worcester, MA 01608

DEVELOPMENT OF WATERSHED-BASED PLANS FOR MASSACHUSETTS

3:55 Delaney, R. F.

HorsleyWitten Group, 90 Route 6A, Sandwich, MA 02563 LAND/OCEAN INTERFACE; A VISION FOR NANTUCKET SHELF

4:15 Muth*, R. M. and M. E. Mather

Dept. of Natural Resources Conservation, Univ.of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 01003 A BIOSOCIAL APPROACH TO UNDERSTANDING AND RESOLVING ESTUARINE AND COASTAL-WATERSHED CONFLICTS

4:35 SPECIAL CAPSTONE PRESENTATION BY:

Ivan Valiela, Recipient of the NEERS Achievement Award

Boston Univ. Marine Program, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole MA 02543 WATERSHED/ESTUARY COUPLING: BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL, AND ISOTOPIC EVIDENCE, AND SOME USEFUL APPROACHES FOR MANAGEMENT

- **5:05** Closing Remarks Sandy Macfarlane
- 7:00 10:00 PM NEERS Welcoming Social, Mass Audubon Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary

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1:20- 2:20 PM Oral Presentations 2:20 - 3:40 PM Poster Presentations 3:40 - 5:00 PM Oral Presentations

5:00 PM NEERS Business Meeting

6:00 PM Social & Informal Poster Viewing 7:00 PM Banquet and Award Presentations

9:00 PM Listening and Dancing to Link Montana and the Roamin' Catholics

MORNING CONTRIBUTED PAPERS SESSION

Session Chair = Pam Neubert, ENSR International

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- 8:10 Welcome and Introductory Remarks Pam Neubert, NEERS President
- 8:20 (K) York*, J. K. and I. Valiela

Boston Univ. Marine Program, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543 LINKING NITROGEN ISOTOPIC PATTERNS TO WATERSHED LAND-USE IN WAQUOIT BAY, MA ESTUARIES

- 8:40 Dettmann*, E. H.¹, K. M. Henry², L. B. Mason³, and A. Erhunse⁴

 ¹USEPA, ORD, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Atlantic Ecology Division, 27 Tarzwell Drive, Narragansett, RI 02882

 ²Graduate School of Oceanography, Univ. of Rhode Island, Narragansett, RI 02882

 ³Department of Environmental Science, University of California, Riverside CA 92507

 ⁴Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, Tallahassee, FL 32307

 RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN NITROGEN AND CHLOROPHYLL

 CONCENTRATIONS IN ESTUARIES AND BAYS
- 9:00 Tucker*, J.', A.E. Giblin¹, C.S. Hopkinson¹, S.W. Kelsey¹, and B.L. Howes²
 ¹The Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA, 02543
 ²University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth, MA 02747
 RESPONSE OF BENTHIC NUTRIENT FLUXES IN BOSTON HARBOR AND MASSACHUSETTS BAY TO SEWAGE TREATMENT IMPROVEMENTS, INCLUDING OUTFALL RELOCATION
- 9:20 Carmichael*, R. H.¹⁴, H. Clark², and B. Walton³

 ¹Boston University Marine Program, MBL, Woods Hole, MA 02543

 ²Falmouth, MA 02540, ³Cape Cod Cooperative Extension & WHOI Sea Grant,

 ⁴Current address: University of Maine at Machias, Machias, ME 04654

 REMEDIATION OF EUTROPHICATION BY OYSTERS, CRASSOSTREA

 VIRGINICA
- 9:40 Franz, D. R.

Biology Department, Brooklyn College CUNY, Brooklyn, NY 11210 JAMAICA BAY RIBBED MUSSEL POPULATIONS – TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING?

10:00 BREAK

10:20 (R) Phillips*, R. A., and A. E. Giblin²

¹Dept. of Earth and Environment, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA 01075 ²The Ecosystems Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543 EFFECTS OF EUTROPHICATION ON CONCENTRATIONS AND SPECIATION OF COPPER, ZINC, AND LEAD IN WEST FALMOUTH HARBOR

10:40 (K) Hallihan, B. H.

Plant Science, Lehman College of City University of New York
IMPACTS OF CADMIUM AND NICKEL ON DIATOM COMMUNITIES IN
FOUNDRY COVE AND CONSTITUTION MARSH, HUDSON RIVER, NEW
YORK

11:00 (K) Grady*, S.P. and I. Valiela

Boston Univ. Marine Program, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543 POPULATION DYNAMICS OF THE ATLANTIC HORSESHOE CRAB, *LIMULUS POLYPHEMUS*, IN CAPE COD ESTUARIES

11:20 (K) Fried, H.A. and Schultz, E.T.

Univ. of Connecticut, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, Storrs, CT USING HISTORICAL RECORDS TO RECONSTRUCT A SPECIES PAST, A REVIEW OF RAINBOW SMELT IN THE NORTHEAST UNITED STATES

11:40 Singletary, R. L.

Biology Department, University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, CT 06601 OBSERVATIONS ON THE INTERSPECIFIC INTERACTIONS OF AMBLYRHYNCHUS CRISTATUS IN LAS ENCANTADAS

12:00 LUNCH

AFTERNOON CONTRIBUTED PAPERS - ORAL PRESENTATIONS

Session Chair = Marshall Pregnall, Vassar College

1:20 (K) Rivers*, D.O. and F. T. Short

Dept. of Natural Resources, Jackson Estuarine Laboratory, University of New Hampshire, 85 Adams Point Rd., Durham, NH 03824
MONITORING THE DEEP EDGES OF EELGRASS (*ZOSTERA MARINA* L.)
MEADOWS AS AN INTEGRATED ASSESSMENT OF ESTUARINE WATER QUALITY

1:40 (K) Gaeckle*, J.L., and F. T. Short

Dept. of Natural Resources, Jackson Estuarine Laboratory, University of New Hampshire, 85 Adams Point Rd., Durham, NH 03824 EFFECTS OF EELGRASS (*ZOSTERA MARINA* L.) TRANSPLANT PATCH SIZE ON FISH ASSEMBLAGES

2:00 Short,* F. T. and J. L. Gaeckle

Dept. of Natural Resources, Jackson Estuarine Laboratory, University of New Hampshire, 85 Adams Point Rd., Durham, NH 03824 GLOBAL SEAGRASS MONITORING UPDATE

2:20 BREAK AND POSTER SESSION

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

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General Session

Casanova*, T.D., and M. Gilman
Cedar Island Marina Research Laboratory, Clinton, CT.
SUBTIDAL POPULATION DISTRIBUTION OF *HEMIGRAPSUS SANGUINEUS* IN
CLINTON HARBOR, CONNECTICUT

Duff*, E.B¹, D. M. Burdick², R. Buchsbaum¹, and A. Ridlon¹ ¹Massachusetts Audubon Society, 346 Grapevine Rd., Wenham, MA, 01984 ²University of New Hampshire, Jackson Estuarine Lab, Durham, NH 03824 INTEGRATING SCIENCE AND EDUCATION AT THE PLUM ISLAND ECOSYSTEM LONG TERM ECOLOGICAL RESEARCH (PIE-LTER) SITE

(W) Dugas*, K. D. and R. S. Warren

Department of Botany, Connecticut College, New London, CT VEGETATION AND *PHRAGMITES AUSTRALIS* CONTROL IN CONNECTICUT RIVER TIDELANDS: ELEVATION, SALINITY AND PLANT COMMUNITIES ALONG A SALINITY GRADIENT.

(W) Foster*, S.Q.1 and A. Giblin2

'Hampshire College, Amherst, MA

MACROTIDAL ESTUARY

² Ecosystems Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA SEDIMENT RESPIRATION AND NITROGEN CYCLING ALONG A EUTROPHIC GRADIENT IN A SHALLOW, COASTAL ESTUARY

Hale, S. S.

USEPA, ORD, National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory, Atlantic Ecology Division, 27 Tarzwell Dr., Narragansett, RI 02882
DEVELOPING AN INDEX OF BENTHIC CONDITION FOR THE COASTAL GULF OF MAINE

Larsen¹* P.F., T.J. Trott², S. Barker³, B. Beal⁴, D.A. Brooks⁵, D.E. Campbell⁶, C. Garside¹1, J.T. Kelley⁷, D.A. Phinney¹1, J. Sowles³, and R.L. Vadas⁵ ¹Bigelow Lab. for Ocean Sciences, McKown Point, West Boothbay Harbor ME 04575 ²Friedman Field Station, Department of Biology, Suffolk University, Boston, MA 02114 ³Maine Department of Marine Resources, Boothbay, ME 04575 ⁴Dept. of Biology, University of Maine, Machias, ME 04654 ³College of Geosciences, Texas A&M University, College Station TX 77843 ⁴Environmental Protection Agency, Narragansett, RI 02882 ¹Dept. of Geological Sciences, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469 в Popt. of Plant Biology and Pathology, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469 ECOSYSTEM MODELING IN COBSCOOK BAY, MAINE: A BOREAL,

Masterson*, J.P., D.A. Walter, K.M. Hess, and P.K. Weiskel U.S. Geological Survey, Northborough, MA RECHARGE AREAS TO WELLS, PONDS, STREAMS, AND COASTAL WATER BODIES, CAPE COD, MASSACHUSETTS

(D) Miller*, E. E., R. M. Jones, R. S Warren and E. C. Shields
Department of Botany, Connecticut College, New London, CT
EXPERIMENTAL NUTRIENT ENRICHMENT OF A NORTHERN
MASSACHUSETTS SALT MARSH: VEGETATION MAPPING AND PLANT
COMMUNITIES OF TREATMENT AND CONTROL CREEKSHEDS

Picard*, C.¹, L. Deegan¹, B. Peterson¹, M. Johnson¹, C. Hopkinson¹, J. Vallino¹, J. Hobbie¹, J. Fleeger², K. Galvan², D. Johnson², C. Friedrichs³, L. LeMay³, S. Warren⁴, E. Miller⁴, and S. Sheldon⁵

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TIDE: TROPHIC CASCADES AND INTERACTING CONTROL PROCESSES IN A DETRITUS-BASED AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM

Pratt*, S., R. Ferrazza, and E. Campbell

University of Rhode Island, Graduate School of Oceanography, Narragansett,RI 02882 DEVELOPMENT OF A LONG-TERM MONITORING PROGRAM FOR BENTHIC MACROFAUNA AT THE CAPE COD NATIONAL SEASHORE

- (W) Shields, E. C.*, R. S. Warren, and E. E. Miller
 Department of Botany, Connecticut College, New London, CT
 N CONTENT AND C/N RATIOS IN *SPARTINA ALTERNIFLORA* AND *SPARTINA PATENS* IN RESPONSE TO NITROGEN AND PHOSPHOROUS FERTILIZATION
 IN A NORTHERN MASSACHUSETTS SALT MARSH
- (W) Shumchenia*, E.J.¹, K.H. Ford², and J.W. King²
 ¹Department of Biological Sciences, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI 02881
 ²Graduate School of Oceanography, University of Rhode Island, Narragansett, RI 02882
 HABITAT MAPPING IN A RHODE ISLAND COASTAL LAGOON AS PART OF
 THE BAYMAP PROJECT

Water to Water Symposium

Bratton*, J. F., V. A. Cross, D. S. Foster, J. F. Crusius, and J. H. List USGS, 384 Woods Hole Rd., Woods Hole, MA 02543-1598 SUBMARINE HYDROGEOLOGY OF A GLACIATED COASTLINE: CAPE COD NATIONAL SEASHORE

Wickwire*, W.T.¹, C.A. Menzie², J. Famely², and A.Novak²
¹Menzie-Cura & Associates, Inc., 477 Congress Street, Fifth Floor, Portland, ME 04101
²Menzie-Cura & Associates, Inc., 8 Winchester Place, Suite 202, Winchester, MA 01890

ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING APPROACHES IN WATERSHED ASSESSMENT: THE EMBAYMENT EUTROPHICATION CASE STUDY

AFTERNOON CONTRIBUTED PAPERS - ORAL PRESENTATIONS, CONTINUED

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- 3:40 Valentine*, V.¹, C. S. Hopkinson, Jr.¹, T. L. Millette², and C. D. Hayward²

 ¹The Ecosystems Center, Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA 02543

 ²GeoProcessing Laboratory, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA 01075

 GEOMORPHOMETRIC PATTERNS AND TRAJECTORIES OF TIDAL MARSH CONDITION
- **4:00** Warren*, R. S., E. E. Miller, E. C. Shields, and R. M. Jones
 Department of Botany, Connecticut College, New London, CT

 SPARTINA ALTERNIFLORA AND SPARTINA PATENS PRODUCTION IN
 RESPONSE TO EXPERIMENTAL EUTROPHICATION IN A NORTHERN
 MASSACHUSETTS ESTUARY
- 4:20 (K) Eberhardt*, A.L.', D. M. Burdick', and M. Dionne²

 'Department of Natural Resources, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH 03824

 ²Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve Wells, ME 04090

 DECREASED CONNECTIVITY IN SALT MARSH CORRIDORS: THE IMPACTS

 OF ROAD CULVERTS ON ESTUARINE NEKTON COMMUNITIES AND

 MOVEMENT
- **4:40** Johnson, M.

Marine Biological Laboratory, 7 MBL St., Woods Hole, MA 02543 NEKTON UTILIZATION OF NEW ENGLAND HIGH MARSHES, THE IMPORTANCE OF LOW ELEVATION MARSH PLATFORM

- 5:00 NEERS BUSINESS MEETING
- 6:00 SOCIAL & POSTER VIEWING
- 7:00 NEERS AWARDS BANQUET

Presentation of **SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD** to Ivan Valiela Presentation of Student Presentation Awards

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FINAL CONTRIBUTED PAPERS SESSION

Session Chair = Robert Buchsbaum, Mass Audubon

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8:00 Churchill*, J.H.¹, C. T. Hess², and M. Bowen³

¹Department of Physical Oceanography, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, MA 02543; ²Physics Department, University of Maine, Orono, ME 04469; ³Normandeau Associates, Yarmouth, ME 04096

A TIDAL NODE AND TIDAL ASYMMETRY IN MAINE'S SHEEPSCOT RIVER

A TIDAL NODE AND TIDAL ASYMMETRY IN MAINE'S SHEEPSCOT RIVER ESTUARY, RESULTS OF A MODELING AND OBSERVATIONAL STUDY

8:20 Hutson, W. H.

Brown University, Providence, RI 02912 MOUNT HOPE BAY SYMPHONY IN DM

8:40 Stone*, T.¹, and R. Crawford²

¹The Woods Hole Research Center, Woods Hole, MA 02543

² Nautilus Environmental Services, Centerville, MA

ANALYSIS OF COASTAL WATER QUALITY WITH A MULTIPLE SENSOR INSTRUMENTED CATAMARAN (MUSIC) AND REMOTE SENSING

MINI-SYMPOSIUM ON SALT MARSH RESTORATION

Session Chair = Robert Buchsbaum, Mass Audubon

9:00 Introduction – Robert Buchsbaum

9:10 Portnoy*, J., S. Smith and E. Gwilliam

Cape Cod National Seashore, 99 Marconi Site Road, Wellfleet, MA 02667 STATUS OF TIDAL RESTORATION EFFORTS FOR 2500 ACRES OF RESTRICTED WETLANDS ON OUTER CAPE COD

9:30 Smith*, S. M, J.W. Portnoy, E. Gwilliam

Cape Cod National Seashore, 99 Marconi Site Road, Wellfleet, MA 02667 RESPONSES OF *PHRAGMITES AUSTRALIS* TO TIDAL RESTORATION AT CAPE COD NATIONAL SEASHORE

9:50 BREAK

10:10 Konisky*, R.A., D.M. Burdick, M. Dionne, and H. A. Neckles

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²Jackson Estuarine Laboratory, Dept. of Natural Resources, Univ. of New Hampshire, Durham, NH; ³USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Augusta, ME

A REGIONAL ASSESSMENT OF SALTMARSH RESTORATION AND

MONITORING IN THE GULF OF MAINE

10:30 Adamowicz*, S.C.¹, L.A. Wagner¹, S. Whitford², M.J. James-Pirri³, K.M. O'Brien¹, G. Taylor¹

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³University of Rhode Island, Narragansett, RI 02882

VEGETATION AND NEKTON RESPONSE TO DITCH PLUGGING IN TWO

MAINE SALT MARSHES: a 5 YEAR FOLLOW-UP

10:50 Brawley*, J.W.¹, D.J. Yozzo², W. Pabich³, M. Fobert⁴, and T. Benjamin⁴

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⁴Rizzo Associates, Inc., Framingham, MA 01701

A STUDY OF LONG-TERM ECOSYSTEM STATE CHANGE AS A RESULT OF PERTURBATION TO WINSEGANSETT MARSH, FAIRHAVEN, MA

11:10 Warren*, R. S., P. E. Fell, and R. Rozsa²

¹Connecticut College, New London, CT; ²Office of Long Island Sound Programs, Connecticut Dept. of Environmental Protection, Hartford, CT A QUARTER CENTURY OF LESSONS LEARNED: RESTORING ESTUARINE WETLANDS IN CONNECTICUT

11:30 PANEL DISCUSSION

- 12:00 Closing Remarks, Pam Neubert, NEERS President
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