



MACC's Annual Environmental Conference  
Workshop Schedule at a Glance  
March 3, 2018

**CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

8:00 AM	Registration Begins, Exhibit Hall Opens, Morning Refreshments, Silent Auction (all day bidding)
8:45-9:45	Opening Session: Annual Business Meeting; Keynote Address; Environmental Service Awards
10:00-11:30	Workshops: Series A
10:00-12:30	Fundamentals for Conservation Commissioners: Units 201 and 205
11:30-2:00	Lunch Silent Auction; Exhibit Hall; Student Poster Sessions
1:15-2:45	Workshops: Series B
2:00-4:30	Fundamentals for Conservation Commissioners: Units 103 and 206
3:00-4:30	Workshops: Series C
4:30-5:15	Networking at the President's Reception; Silent Auction Winners

**WORKSHOP SCHEDULE – at a Glance**

<b>Series A</b> 10 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Series B</b> 1:15 PM - 2:45 PM	<b>Series C</b> 3 PM - 4:30 PM
1. Local Climate Adaptation Planning and Action	9. What can Conservation Commissions do to Improve Climate Resilience? (A lot, Actually)	17. Assessing Invasive Plant Control Options
2. The Coastal Manual: Guidance for Protecting Storm Damage Prevention and Flood Control Functions of Coastal Resource Areas	10. US Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Program Updates: Federal Jurisdiction, Wetland Delineation, and the New Massachusetts General Permit	18. How the National Flood Insurance Program Works in Your Community
3. Don't Just Map it, Conserve it! Conservation Success Stories	11. Dam Removal: A Panel Discussion with Experienced Conservation Commissioners	19. The New Chapter 91 General License Certification Process for Small Docks and Piers
4. Protecting Massachusetts Vernal Pools	12. Assessing Ecological Disruption and Risk of Failure for Road-Stream Crossings	20. Tools, Approaches and Science for Incorporating Climate Change in Your Commission's Work
5. An Open Discussion for Conservation Commissioners: Getting the Job Done with or without Staff	13. Creating Tidmarsh Wildlife Sanctuary: Restoring Hope in a Climate Changing World	21. Conservation Applications of Unmanned Aerial Systems (aka DRONES)
6. Hands-on Plant ID: Common Woody Plants of Massachusetts Freshwater Wetlands (Double Session)	14. River Smart Communities: A Practicum on Rivers and Living with Rivers	22. Protecting Eelgrass Meadows and the Ecosystem Services They Provide
7. Wildlife Habitat Assessments: How Commissions can Evaluate Potential Impacts to Wildlife	6B. Hands-on Plant ID: Common Woody Plants of Massachusetts Freshwater Wetlands (Double Session)	23. Green Infrastructure Goes Mainstream: Understanding its Benefits and Applications
8. Protecting Conservation Land Under Article 97 of the Massachusetts Constitution	16. Does Massachusetts Need a Wetland Ecological Function Assessment Method?	24. Culvert Replacements: Cost Effective, Critical Investments in Road and Natural Infrastructure

## FUNDAMENTALS FOR CONSERVATION COMMISSIONERS UNITS

10 AM - 12:30 PM	2 PM - 4:30 PM
<b>Unit 201:</b> Getting Home Before Midnight: How to Run an Effective Meeting	<b>Unit 103:</b> Plan Review and Site Visit Procedures
<b>Unit 205:</b> Effective Erosion and Sediment Controls	<b>Unit 206:</b> Stormwater Requirements for Wetlands Protection