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ANNUAL REPORT ISSUE

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Sergio Capozzi

About six years ago, I had the incredible pleasure and good fortune to collaborate with Jim Eychaner, former NARRP President, on a project for the Washington Recreation and Conservation Office (previously the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation). As we drove across Washington State going from one public meeting to the next, we talked a lot about NARRP and he encouraged me to join the Board. I'll admit, while I was extremely excited about the opportunity to potentially serve on the Board, I had no idea what I was getting myself into!



I started as Secretary, moved on to Vice President of Operations, and am now President. During this time, the Board went through a restructuring and we became a 501(c)(3) organization. In addition, we continued to develop and publicize significant best practices, core principles, and position papers that advocate strongly for rigorous planning processes that help maintain and promote the great outdoor recreation spaces we have in this country. All the while the Association continued to provide valuable services and networking opportunities for our members, including our outstanding annual conference. Personally, I had no idea this opportunity to serve as a Board member would turn out to be so interesting, so stimulating, so invigorating, and ultimately so gratifying. I am indebted to Jim and want to take this opportunity to thank him publicly for getting me involved with NARRP (and of course for everyone who voted for me during the last Board election!).

It's been another exciting year for the Association. A few highlights from 2011:

Innovations in Connecting Americans to our Great Outdoors Conference – connecting our citizens to the outdoors is key if we are to improve health, reinvigorate local economies, and instill a new generation of land stewards. The 31st Annual NARRP Conference in Breckenridge, CO, provided an opportunity to explore and learn from each other's successes and challenges in connecting

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people to the great outdoors. As usual, it also provided an opportunity for us to share stories, experience the great outdoors of Colorado, and enjoy the company of fellow recreation planning professionals.

2011 Special Achievement Award – NARRP honored Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior and Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality and Interagency AGO Coordinating Council, with NARRP Special Achievement Awards. Through the award, the Association recognized their integral roles in the America's Great Outdoors Initiative, as well as their leadership in protecting and ensuring all Americans can access and enjoy parks and public lands for generations to come.

SCORP Excellence Award – the National Park Service and NARRP awarded the SCORP Excellence Award to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Pennsylvania's award winning SCORP was recognized for its work to transform outdoor recreation planning and get residents to spend more time outdoors.

New Brochure – the Membership and Communications Committee, with Board input and approval, redesigned the NARRP brochure. The updated brochure helps communicate the role and benefits of NARRP in a graphic and professional manner.

Reframing the Role and Relevancy of Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (SCORP) – building off our Support for The Great Outdoors America (September 2009) position paper, as well as productive sessions from several of our conferences, the Board authored a position paper on the future of SCORPs. The 12 recommendations included in the paper are intended to make SCORPs more effective and efficient for States and their outdoor recreation communities, as well as help complement the successful implementation of the America's Great Outdoor initiative.

New Student Liaison Position – the NARRP Board, in an effort to strengthen our ties to academia and specifically students, created a new student liaison position. The one-year term is open to graduate students enrolled in an outdoor recreation planning or related academic program. After a thorough application process, The NARRP Board voted to appoint Zac Cole, a PhD candidate at the University of Florida, as the first NARRP Student Liaison.

In the coming year, the Board will pursue new and exciting avenues to strengthen the Association and advocate for comprehensive planning processes. We will continue to be a strong advocate for outdoor recreation planning and the greater outdoor recreation and conservation profession. We look forward to these challenges and anticipated rewards and hope you all continue to engage in and support this amazing Association.

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MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

By Mary Donze

Committee Members: Mary Donze (Chair), Brenda Adams-Weyant, Jean Akers, Heather Ramsay, Steve Dice

The committee is responsible for developing a strategy and schedule for association communications; developing strategies to recruit and retain members; and recommending member services and benefits. They will maintain a descriptive profile of NARRP members and will track trends in membership. The committee, in coordination with the Association Manager, shall keep an accurate account of the membership. The committee will oversee the development of the member directory.

Accomplishments:

- ◆ **Developed and distributed new membership brochure.**
- ◆ **Designed and purchased exhibit for use at conferences, meetings, etc.**
- ◆ **Conducted membership survey.**

What we heard:

- Membership dues are viewed as being about right or too low.
- Newsletter was given very high marks.
- While not as well-known as other associations, the value to the profession is unmatched.
- Continuing education opportunities are great and members want to see more.
- Members want the association to keep them abreast of current issues facing the profession.
- Conference is a great opportunity for education and networking but with budget constraints, members are concerned that they won't be able to attend.
- The website is not well known and not very well used.
- The use of social media by members is growing.

◆ **Based on the survey results, the following recommendations were made to the Board:**

- A moderate dues increase was proposed and implemented on January 1, 2012.

Dues are now:	Regular	\$80
	Student	\$35
	Retiree	\$35
	Institutional	\$80 first member, \$70 each additional member

- A new website is being developed and will go live in late winter/early spring 2012.
- More attention will be focused on LinkedIn and Facebook as marketing and communication tools for the association.
- Continue to develop the chapters in the planning book to promote the planning principles for recreation resources planners.

2011 CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS: BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO

By Scott Babcock

Committee Members: Glenn Haas (Co-chair), Scott Babcock (Co-chair), Craig Mackey, Susan Alden-Weingardt, Scott Reid, Brad Eckert

NARRP's 31st annual conference focused on "Innovations in Connecting Americans to the Outdoors" and was deemed a success by all measures. About 200 outdoor recreation professionals made their way to beautiful Breckenridge, Colorado to explore the latest innovations, efforts, and successes in the area of connecting Americans to our great outdoors.

Plenary and concurrent sessions featured leaders from state and local agencies, the outdoor recreation industry (including the Outdoor Industry Association), as well as Directors of State Park agencies from around the country.



Despite cooler than expected temperatures and record snowpack last spring in the Colorado Rocky Mountains, most conference attendees enjoyed one of nine hands-on field workshops to see and experience firsthand "local innovations" in connecting Americans to the Outdoors. On the final day of the conference, NARRP was privileged to have the Honorable Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality and Interagency America's Great Outdoors (AGO) Coordinating Council, provide the keynote address and discuss the White House's work on the America's Great Outdoors Initiative.

You won't want to miss our 2012 conference to be held April 16-20 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana!!

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

By Mary Donze

This year the association will move from a 3-year Strategic Plan to a 5-year plan to coincide with the new 5 year budget process.

Major goals/projects for the next year include:

- Unveiling the new association website and continue to make improvements to better meet member needs.
- Work toward publishing the Best Practices Planning Book.
- Continue to develop relationships with the National Association of State Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers (NASORLO), National Association of State Park Directors (NASPD), National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA), National Association of County Parks and Recreation Officials (NACPRO), and Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation (FICOR).
- Continue to explore a name change for the association.
- Plan for the 2013 Conference in Traverse City, MI.

2011 NARRP AWARDS

By Scott Babcock

Committee Members: Scott Babcock (Chair), Bob Reinhardt, Hal Hallett, Floyd Thompson, Sergio Capozzi

Each year NARRP recognizes and honors individuals and planning teams for their outstanding accomplishments in the field of recreation and park planning, management and administration, as well as service to NARRP. The job of selecting awards recipients has become more challenging, as the number of nomination applications seems to rise each year.

In 2011, the NARRP Board of Directors recognized two recipients for Special Achievement, as well as the following individuals/team for our three awards categories at the 2011 Annual NARRP Conference in Breckenridge, Colorado.

Special Achievement

The Honorable Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality and Interagency AGO Coordinating Council — In recognition for her work on the America’s Great Outdoors (AGO) Initiative and give the keynote address at Thursday’s “main event” luncheon. In her role as chair, Ms. Sutley serves as the principal environmental policy advisor to the president and leads implementation of the AGO Initiative.



Glenn Haas and Nancy Sutley

The Honorable Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior — In recognition for his outstanding national leadership in championing the protection of

America’s natural treasures that are central to America’s best outdoor experiences. Salazar has been instrumental in driving the AGO Initiative for the Administration and supporting full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund, the principal source of federal dollars for protecting land in America’s national parks, forests, and other public landscapes, and ensuring recreational opportunities for Americans in every state in the Nation.



Dr. Ken Cordell

National Recreation Resources Leadership Award

Dr. Ken Cordell, USDA Forest Service

In recognition of a lifetime of leadership in advancing recreation resource management and the planning profession.

Distinguished Service Award

Ron Stewart, Boulder County Parks and Open Space

In recognition of a lifetime of leadership for expanding and protecting parks and open space in Boulder County, Colorado



Ron Stewart

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Excellence in Planning Awards

Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office and Snake River Partners

In recognition of the Snake River Corridor Management / Ownership Transfer Plan and resultant partnerships with other public entities for the continued public recreational use of lands along the Snake River.

Denver Parks and Recreation and Mundus Bishop Design

In recognition of the development of Denver Mountain Parks Master Plan for the protection and expansion of recreation uses of the 14,000-acre system of parks.



David Marquardt, Tina Bishop, Susan Baird, Chantal Unfug & Gordon Robertson



Mary Donze & Bill Bryan

Missouri State Parks

In recognition for the timely planning and redevelopment of Johnson's Shut-Ins State Park following destruction by a major disaster.

USDA Forest Service and AECOM Design and Planning

In recognition of the development of the Roads and Trails Plan for Rampart Motorized Recreation Area of Pike National Forest that provides outstanding motorized recreational trail experiences while protecting the natural resources.



Drew Stoll, Scott Dollus & Sergio Capozzi

Board Recognition

Rick Just

In grateful appreciation for outstanding service as President and Vice President of the National Association of Recreation Resource Planners 2007-2011.



Rick Just

Robert Reinhardt

In grateful appreciation for outstanding service on the Board of the National Association of Recreation Resource Planners 1994 – 1999 and 2005 - 2011.

BEST PRACTICES IN RECREATION PLANNING BOOK UPDATE

By John Baas

In January, 2012 the NARRP Board voted to allow Venture Publishing, a commercial publisher of academic textbooks, to publish the existing book chapters and remaining chapters as a hard copy textbook. The book is scheduled for completion in December, 2012. The benefits of having Venture publish the Best Practices book include producing a more comprehensive source of information, completing the book project more quickly, and having the ability to promote the book with a much wider audience of prospective users.

Dr. John Baas and Dr Robert Burns will serve as editors in chief and work directly with editors from Venture Publishing to complete the book. In addition to maintaining its practitioner's focus, the hard copy textbook will be a resource that will be used as a teaching guide in college courses on outdoor recreation resource planning. The chapters that have been completed to date will be updated as appropriate, and in some cases will be combined so that each chapter is approximately 15 pages. As a result, the final product will have a different look and feel than what had been hosted on NARRP's website. Academics and practitioners will work together to write the remaining chapters which include the following:

- Alternatives development and analysis.
- Planning and decision-making.
- Managing the recreation resource planning process.
- Implementation planning.
- International perspectives on recreation resource planning.
- Emerging Issues.

For more information on the status of the Best Practices book, please contact John Baas (johnb@migcom.com) or Robert Burns (Robert.Burns@mail.wvu.edu).

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

By Sergio Capozzi

Committee Members: Sergio Capozzi (Chair), Jeff Prey, Glenn Haas, Mary Donze

Each year the President chairs a committee to audit the Association's financial records from the previous fiscal year. The Audit Committee then reports their findings in writing to the Board of Directors and the membership. The committee met at the NARRP Board retreat in October and reviewed financial statements and other fiscal-related records, as provided by the Treasurer. There were no findings of concern from the audit.

Join us in Traverse City, Michigan for the
2013 NARRP Conference

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

By Jennifer Heisey

Committee Members: Jennifer Heisey (Chair), Mary Donze, Steve Holland, Marcella Wells, Robert Burns, John Baas, Jean Akers, Zac Cole

The Education and Professional Development Committee oversees all NARRP scholarship programs including promoting, advertising, selecting recipients, and maintaining accurate records of all recipients and funds disbursed. Individual scholarship programs are reviewed by the Scholarship on an annual basis. The committee will administer the Special Projects Scholarships and Professional Development Grants when deemed feasible. The committee has expanded responsibilities to include management of the NARRP's academic programs webpage and coordinate additional education and professional development related projects and opportunities that become available (e.g. the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) Council of Accreditation (COA)).

2011 Committee Accomplishments

- Ten student conference scholarships were awarded to undergraduate and graduate students representing seven universities all across the country from the University of Maine to the California State University, Chico.
- Raised \$3407 at the 2011 Breckenridge Conference's silent and live auctions for NARRP's Student Scholarship Fund.
- Broadened the committee to encompass NARRP educational and professional development goals.
- Appointed an outdoor recreation planning student liaison as a non-voting Board member, Zac Cole from the University of Florida.

2012 Committee Work Plan

Provide a robust academic scholarship program for students to foster direct connectivity to professionals, academia and research programs throughout the United States.

- Continue student conference scholarship program.
- Consider a student research scholarship.
- Develop a non-traditional recreation resource planner conference scholarship program.
- Diversify fundraising for the scholarship fund.
- Seek opportunities outside the conference to provide education for members.

Want to do more to support the student scholarship program?

Your donation will help cultivate a young mind preparing to enter the recreation resource planning profession.

Support the students by donating items to the live & silent auctions. Contact mary.donze@dnr.mo.gov to for more information and to make arrangements.

All contributions are tax deductible.

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EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE, CONTINUED**2011 NARRP Conference Scholarship Recipients & Scholarship Committee Members**

(L to R) Sergio Capozzi, Sam Martin (Colorado State University), Jennifer Heisey, Mary Donze, Stacie West (University of Maryland), Sara Kaner (California State University, Chico), Michael Ferguson (West Virginia University), Martha Willand (University of Maine), Zac Cole (University of Florida), Raymond Hayhurst (University of Maryland), Edwin Clay Allred (Utah State University), Kourtney Collum (University of Maine), Marcella Wells

**Conference Impression from Sara Kaner
(Student Scholarship Recipient)**

"I heard many students say this was the best conference they have ever been to. The hospitality suite was where I made connections and got to learn about different areas of recreation resource management. Those conversations were invaluable to me."



DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

By Glenn Haas

Committee Members: Glenn Haas (Chair), Sergio Capozzi, Jeff Prey, David Dahlquist, Hal Hallett

Financial Development

NARRP was able to generate over \$15,000 from sponsors and exhibitors at the 2011 conference in Breckenridge, plus the silent and live auctions generated \$3407 for future student scholarships.

The largest single gift was a \$5,000 sponsorship from The Active Network for the 2012 Conference, which was then matched by membership donations for a total of \$10,000. These monies are earmarked to help ensure a successful 2012 annual conference in Baton Rouge.

While these gifts and activities may be modest relative to other national organizations, NARRP has taken a large step in moving towards an annual gifting target of \$20K.

Policy Development

The most significant policy product in 2011 was the position paper submitted to the Secretary of the Interior titled [Reframing the Role and Relevancy of Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans](#). The paper is posted on our website and has been the catalyst for considerable discussion among states, National Association of State Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers (NASORLO), and the Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation (FICOR). Two panel sessions are planned for the 2012 annual conference to further this topic.

NARRP has maintained a close working relationship with Interior officials and federal agencies on the America's Great Outdoors initiative, attending a number of meetings and conference calls.

Plans have also started for a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Re-authorization Forum in 2013. Since the LWCF fund expires in September 2015, NARRP wants to provide leadership and initiate discussion soon on how to strengthen the original 1965 LWCF Act in hopes of another 50 years.

Board Development

The NARRP Board had a healthy discussion at its mid-year meeting about how to strengthen the Board in terms of skills, experience, and diversity. A self-diagnostic tool was used to help the Board reflect on itself. Awareness was raised and the prospect of some facilitated special board development training in the future seems likely.

Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation

The number one recommendation by NARRP in our [2009 Support for the Great Outdoors America](#) position paper was to "Establish Inter-Departmental National Leadership" for outdoor recreation. NARRP is proud to take some credit for planting the idea of establishing what has become the Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation (FICOR).

By good fortune, the lead of the FICOR working group in 2011 was Bob Ratcliffe, former Bureau of Land Management Recreation Director and recipient of the NARRP National Leadership Award in 2009. Our connection with Bob paved the way for Glenn Haas, NARRP VP for Development, to assist FICOR in its foundational year.

Another outcome of NARRP's connection with FICOR is that several sessions at the 2012 NARRP conference will address issues of key concern to FICOR. Additionally, NARRP submitted a letter in January 2012 suggesting five actions that NARRP would be willing to assist FICOR with.

As a professional society for outdoor recreation planners, managers, researchers and decision makers, NARRP wants to support FICOR in the years to come.

THIRD ANNUAL SCORP EXCELLENCE AWARD

Pennsylvania has earned top national honors for its work to transform outdoor recreation planning and get residents to spend more time outdoors, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources said today.

The state's five-year Statewide Outdoor Recreation Plan was honored as the best in the nation by the National Park Service and the National Association for Recreation Resource Planners at a recent conference.

"We are very proud to receive this award recognizing our work," Department of Conservation and Natural Resources acting Secretary Richard J. Allan said. "Our plan is both unique and useful for DCNR and its partners as we work to encourage citizens to be active outside, develop a love and appreciation for nature, improve physical and mental health, and instill a conservation ethic."

Pennsylvania's five-year plan was released in November 2009 to help policy-makers and communities deal with a changing population that is increasingly more urban, and whose children have been spending less time outdoors.

Four surveys supporting the plan showed that families are spending less time outdoors; children are more obese than ever before; and residents are calling for access to close-to-home recreation, walkable and bikable communities, protected lands and waters, and well-maintained park facilities.



Matt Beaver, Heather Bennett, Vanyla Tierney, Joel Lynch and Jeff Johns

conservation, recreation and connecting people to the great outdoors," said U.S. Department of the Interior acting Assistant Secretary Will Shaforth.

Representatives from the U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Park Service met with DCNR and outdoor recreation stakeholders in Harrisburg recently to identify top project-specific ideas where the state and federal governments might work together on conservation, recreation and historic preservation efforts.

States must update outdoor recreation plans every five years in order to continue to be eligible for related federal dollars.

The Pennsylvania SCORP and other related documents can be accessed at: <http://www.paoutdoorrecplan.com/downloadlinks/index.htm>

The plan identified walking for pleasure or fitness as the most popular outdoor recreation activity in Pennsylvania. Other popular activities include sightseeing and driving for pleasure, nature watching, swimming, picnicking and bicycling.

The plan outlines 28 program-oriented and five funding recommendations as action steps.

"Congratulations to the authors of Pennsylvania's outdoor recreation plan, which closely aligns with the federal America's Great Outdoors Initiative and its focus on

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

By Jeff Prey

Committee Members: Jeff Prey (Chair), Glenn Haas, Sergio Capozzi

NARRP's total assets and liabilities for the year ending December 31, 2011 was \$79,792. This amount represents a net increase of \$19,000 from the previous calendar year. Total gross income from membership, conference and investments was \$120, 212. The best performing investment was the Vanguard High Dividend Yield ETF at 2.9%. As agreed upon by the Board of Directors, \$4,669 from the net conference income was transferred to the scholarship savings account.



2012 CONFERENCE PROGRAM: BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

Restoring the Spirit of the Landscape: The Recreation Reponses to the Challenges of Change
April 16-20, 2012

Venue and Lodging

The conference will be held at the Belle of Baton Rouge in Baton Rouge, Louisiana—www.belleofbatonrouge.com

The deadline for the group room rate is April 1. To make a reservation, call 1-800-676-4847 and ask for the "NARRP" rate, which is \$93 plus tax and fees.

Registration Rates

Register after March 16

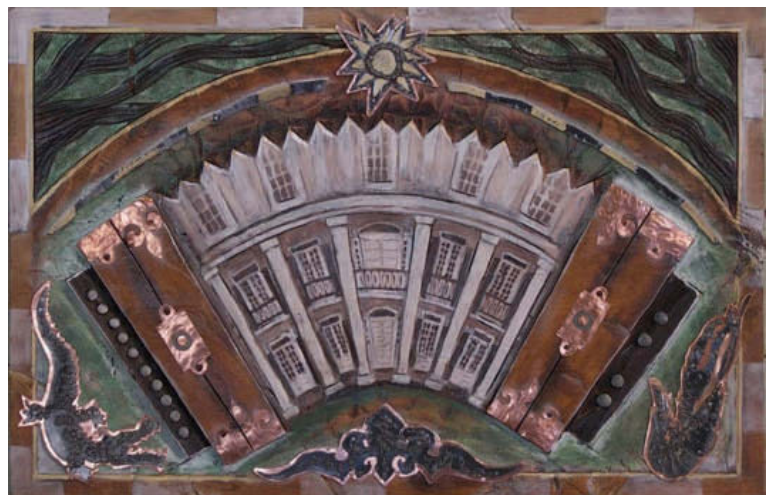
NARRP Members - \$490

Public - \$590

Single Day

Monday, Tuesday or Thursday - \$225

Student Full Conference - \$175



For more information and to register, visit www.narrp.org

2012 CONFERENCE PROGRAM, CONTINUED**Monday, April 16 (half day)****Conference Opening, Keynote Speaker**

- Jay Dardenne, Louisiana Lt. Governor

The History of the Atchafalaya Basin, the Floodway System and the Floods of 2011

- Debra Credeur, Introduction, Director of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area
- Charles R. Caillouet, Friends of the Atchafalaya

A Year of Change for State Parks

- Scott Babcock, Moderator, Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- Stuart Johnson, Director, Louisiana State Parks
- Becky Kelley, Director, Georgia State Parks
- Joe Elton, Director, Virginia State Parks, and Past President of the National Association of State Park Directors

Opening Reception**Tuesday, April 17****Responding to Disaster**

- Bill Bryan, Moderator, Director, Missouri State Parks
- Duane Lula, America's Byways Resource Center
- Doug Eiken, Executive Director, National Association of State Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers
- Brent Leisure, Director, Texas State Parks

Concurrent Session #1**A. Using GIS to Inform Land Use Planning**

Sid Stevenson, PhD, Principal, Recreation Resources Research Services

B. Community Parks – Implementation strategy, planning and design of large municipal parks

O. Reed Richard and Ted Jack, The Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge

C. Managing New Impacts from Energy Development

Kate Schwarzler, Principal, Otak

Lesly E. Smith, Wyoming State Recreation Leader, Bureau of Land Management

NARRP Business Lunch**Concurrent Session #2****A. Using Online Tools for Public Engagement in the Planning Process**

Chris Sinnard, Vice President, Pragmatic Research Inc.

Eric VanDeGenachte, Special Projects Manager, Georgia State Parks

B. Collaborative Approaches to Recreation Planning

Heather Bergman, President, Peak Facilitation Group

Steve Armstead, Environmental Planner, City of Boulder Open Space & Mountain Parks Department

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Doug Thompson, Senior Mediator, The Keystone Center
Paul Jahnige, Greenways and Trails Program Director, Massachusetts Dept. of Conservation and Recreation

C. Recreation Sustainability

Laurie Thorpe, Team Leader, USDA Forest Service
Rachel Franchina, Recreation Specialist, USDA Forest Service
Robert C. Burns, Assistant Professor, West Virginia University

D. Two Approaches to SCORP

Diane Kripas, Division Chief, Pennsylvania Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources
Suzette Simms, LWCF Grant Administrator, Louisiana Office of State Parks
Cleve Hardman, Director of Outdoor Recreation, Louisiana Office of State Parks

Concurrent Session #3

A. Growing Sustainable Large-Scale Partnerships

Terry Eastin, Executive Director, Mississippi River Trail, Inc.

B. Making SCORPs more Relevant to Federal Agencies

Joel Lynch, Chief, State and Local Assistance Programs Division, National Park Service
TBA (will include high level panelists from state and federal agencies)

C. Online Interactive Mapping

Rex Turner, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Maine Bureau of Public Lands

D. Recreation Planning for the Mississippi Gulf Outlet Ecosystem Restoration

Andrew Perez, Outdoor Recreation Planner, US Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District

Culture of Louisiana Event – Banquet and Live Auction

Wednesday, April 18

Field Workshops – Full Day

1. Understanding the Mississippi River Flood Control System
2. Historic Perspective: Adaptation of a Flood-prone Community
3. Levee Flood Control Plan: Effects on a Community
4. Water, Water Everywhere!: Living Below Sea Level
5. Mississippi River Levee System: Recreational Impacts

Thursday, April 19

Recent Trends, Kids Outdoors and Futures Projections in Planning

- Ken Cordell, PhD and Mike Bowker, PhD, Forest Service Research Center
- Gary Green, PhD, University of Georgia



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Concurrent Session #4

A. Two Approaches to River Corridor Planning and implementation

Tom Bicak, Director of Canyon County, Idaho Parks
Matt Bingham and Jason Kinnell, Veritas Economics

B. "Imagine Your Parks," a 10 Year Strategic Plan for the Park System of Baton Rouge

O. Reed Richard and Ted Jack, The Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge

C. Social Carrying Capacity/Visitor Use Management

Research Session Chair: Gerard Kyle, PhD, Texas A&M University

D. Reframing SCORPS, Part 2



National Awards Program and Luncheon

- Will Shafroth, Counselor to the Interior Secretary for America's Great Outdoors (Invited)
- Scott Babcock, Master of Ceremonies, Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Concurrent Session #5

A. Two Approaches to Reducing Obesity through Recreation

Eric VanDeGenachte, Special Projects Manager, Georgia State Parks
Teresa Penbrooke, Founder, GP RED

B. Sustainability in Decision Making

Anne Ferguson and Phil Hendricks, AECOM
USDA Forest Service staff member

C. Using Social and Demographic Information for Park and Recreation Planning

Session Chair: Robert C. Burns, PhD, West Virginia University

National Roundtable

- Glenn Haas, PhD, moderator
- Bob Ratcliffe, Chairman, Federal Interagency Council on Outdoor Recreation (FICOR)
- Joel Lynch, Chief, State and Local Assistance Programs Division, National Park Service, and FICOR Representative
- Curt Pianalto, Associate Director of America's Byways Resource Center
- Deidre St. Louis, USDA Forest Service Washington Office Recreation Staff

Friday, April 20 (half day)

SCORP University

This optional half-day program is included in your conference registration fee and is designed for State/Territory agency professionals and others who have a part in developing Statewide Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plans (SCORP). The National Park Service and NARRP members, including "seasoned" SCORPers, are collaborating to offer this opportunity for learning and idea sharing.