

TO: NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WORK GROUP

RE: Work Group meeting

**12:00 – 1:30 PM, 20 November 2006, Wakeman Center
(bring a bag lunch)**

Please join us for this great opportunity to meet face-to-face for the first time! If you haven't already responded to the heads-up, please try to let us know whether or not you plan to attend (taylor@mvcommission.org) Thanks!

Please come prepared to select one of the following topics for a breakout session:

Biodiversity Restoration; management; compatible use; abatement of impacts; ecosystem services

Character Indirect economic benefits; authentic v. generic landscapes; educating the public; vistas and viewsheds

Recreation Hunting; trails; beaches; birding

Working landscapes, especially agriculture and forestry; economic, environmental, quality of life and compatible use issues

In the breakout sessions, you will:

- Identify goals for your table's topic as it applies to
 - 1) developed land
 - 2) protected land
 - 3) vacant land
 - 4) the other work groups (water, housing, livelihood and commerce, energy and solid waste, built environment, health and education, culture and history, transportation, and governance)
 - 5) overlooked issues
- Focus on long-term goals, not strategies to achieve them; those will be developed in later sessions.
- When setting goals, think about what you really want to achieve in the long term, not what you think is feasible; new strategies may be developed to achieve heretofore unattainable goals.
- "Red dot" the priority goals for each of the 5 areas
- "Red dot" the priority issues/problems to be solved for each of the 5 areas
- Summarize them for 3 minute plenary presentation

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AGENDA

1. Welcome, introductions, goals of meeting (5 minutes, Facilitator Anne Gallagher)
2. The Island Plan (10 minutes; Mark London)
3. The Natural Environment Work Group (15 minutes)
Relationship between the Work Group and Core (Tom Chase)
Description of the breakout group topics (Tom Chase)
Desired process and products of breakout groups (Anne Gallagher)
4. Break out sessions (40 minutes)

Biodiversity Restoration; management; compatible use; abatement of impacts; ecosystem services (facilitators: Matt Pelikan/Tom Chase)

Character Indirect economic benefits; authentic v. generic landscapes; educating the public; vistas and viewsheds (facilitators: Brendan O'Neill/Judy Crawford)

Recreation Hunting; trails; beaches; birding (facilitators: Leah Smith/Bill Veno)

Working landscapes, especially agriculture and forestry; economic, environmental, quality of life and compatible use issues (facilitators: Dick Johnson/Tim Boland)

Discuss goals and issues

Red-dot priorities

5. Plenary (20 minutes, Anne Gallagher)
Present summary results from each break out group
6. Next steps/adjourn (Anne Gallagher)