

MAWS Workshop: Wetland Functions & Values - 2014 Assessments and Updates

Friday, August 1, 2014, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Event Will Occur Rain or Shine

Check-in and Classroom Portion:

South Portland Community Center (adj. to SoPo High School) 21 Nelson Street South Portland, ME

Field Component:

Wainwright Athletic Complex on Gary Maietta Way (Directions will be provided at the workshop)

Join MAWS on Friday, August 1 for a workshop to review changing and updated methodologies for wetland functions and values assessments. MAWS is pleased to have author and scientist Ralph Tiner of USFWS to provide his first presentation to our group. Ralph will present a discussion on the (fairly) new, web-based NWI-Plus program. Paul Minkin from the New England Division of the USACE will present information and guidance on the early "beta" version of an updated and revised methodology for Functional Assessments in New England, and Greg Granger from NRCS will discuss NRCS' efforts on a nationwide functional assessment methodology. Following the classroom component, we'll head out into the field to look at a couple of different wetlands and field-test what we learned in the classroom. We will then reconvene back at the classroom for closing discussion. Lunch will be provided (pizza & salad from a local restaurant). An agenda of activities is provided below.

Workshop Agenda 8:00 - 8:30Registration – South Portland Community Center 8:30 - 8:45Welcome, Introductions, and Briefing on plan for day's events 8:45 - 12:00Tiner, Minkin, Granger presentations on wetlands functions and values 12:00 - 12:30Lunch - provided by MAWS 12:30 - 3:00Field Visits (carpool to two nearby field sites and team up to complete wetland functions and values checklists) 2:30 - 4:00Classroom Summary Discussion - SPCC 4:00 pm Adjourn

Space is limited to the first 50 registrants. Lunch will be provided.

Please mail registration form and payment to: MAWS c/o Tim Forrester, 135 River Road, Bath, ME 04579 Questions? Contact Rich Jordan (Richard.jordan@tetratech.com) or Sarah Watts (Sarah.watts@tetratech.com)

Registration and check should be received no later than July 25, 2014. Please make checks payable to MAWS.

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| Address: | | City/State: | | |
| Telephone and e-mai | il address: | | | |
| Food Allergies/Restri | ctions: | | | |
| Registration fee: | MAWS member*: \$45 | Non-members: \$60 | Student: \$20 | |

^{*2014} Dues must be paid in full to receive membership rate for this event.