



## Vermont Monitoring Cooperative **2010 Annual Meeting - Monday, October 25, 2010**

Vermont Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation – The University of Vermont – USDA Forest Service

**LOCATION:** Silver Maple Ballroom (Rm. 401), Davis Student Center, University of Vermont Campus

### “Forecasting the Forest’s Future???”

- 8:15-9:00 am Registration – Refreshments – Poster set-up
- 9:00 am Welcome and Introductory Remarks  
*Lawrence Forcier, Principal Investigator, Vermont Monitoring Cooperative*
- 9:15 am "Forest Ecological Integrity: A flexible framework for assessing ecosystem health"  
*Brian Mitchell, Program Manager, The Northeast Temperate Network, National Park Service*
- 9:55 am "The Mount Mansfield Paired Watershed Study and the Value of Long-term Monitoring"  
*Jamie Shanley, Research Hydrologist, U.S. Geological Survey*
- 10:25 am Break - Refreshments and snacks – posters
- 10:50 am "Bird Nerds on the Mountain: 20 years of bird monitoring and demographic research on Mt. Mansfield"  
*Steve Faccio, Conservation Biologist, Vermont Center for Ecostudies*
- 11:20 am "Twenty years of Amphibian and Reptile Monitoring in Vermont, at Mt. Mansfield, Lye Brook, and Statewide"  
*James Andrews, Coordinator of the Vermont Reptile and Amphibian Atlas, Vermont Family Forests*
- 11:50 am Lunch, and poster session
- 1:00 pm Panel: “Contemporary and Future Concerns about Forest Ecosystems”  
*Tom Berry, Field Representative, US Senator Patrick Leahy*  
*Michael Bohne, Forest Health Group Leader, State and Private Forestry, US Forest Service*  
*Barbara Burns, State Forest Health Coordinator, Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation*  
*Jamey Fidel, Forest and Biodiversity Program Director, Vermont Natural Resources Council*  
*Eric Sorenson, Community Ecologist, Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department*  
  
*Moderated by Kimberly Wallin, Research Assistant Professor, University of Vermont*
- 2:30 pm Closing Remarks & Adjourn

Posters on back

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## Posters

Mercury Bioaccumulation and Trophic Transfer in the Terrestrial Food Web of a Montane Forest. By: C.C. Rimmer, E.K. Miller\*, K.P. McFarland, R.J. Taylor, and S.D. Faccio, Vermont Center for Ecostudies and \*Ecosystems Research Group Ltd.

Wind Channeling in the Champlain Valley: An Examination of the Lake Champlain 2009 Halloween Gale. By: John M. Goff, National Weather Service in Burlington, VT.

Increased Tree Mortality in Vermont. By: Sandy Wilmot and Robert DeGeus, Vermont Forestry Division, and Randall Morin, US Forest Service Northern Research Station.

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