

## **VT EPSCoR Annual State Meeting Agenda**

### **Infrastructure Development for Research and STEM Education: Focus on the Lake Champlain Basin**

**June 2, 2011**  
**DoubleTree Hotel**

**7:30 – 8:30 a.m.**

Registration, Poster Set Up, Continental Breakfast

**8:30 – 8:50 a.m.**

Opening Remarks

Judith Van Houten, PhD – Vermont State EPSCoR Director

John Evans, PhD – President, Vermont Technology Council & Senior Advisor to the President of UVM

Domenico Grasso, PhD, PE, DEE, Vice President Research and Dean of the Graduate College

Henry Blount, PhD Office Head, National Science Foundation EPSCoR

**8:50 – 9:00 a.m.**

Summative Survey Report Highlights

Judith Van Houten

**9:00 – 10:45 a.m.**

Transdisciplinary Research: Complex Systems Approaches to the Lake Champlain Basin

Mary Watzin, PhD, Dean of the Rubenstein School of Environment and Natural Resources;

Donna Rizzo, PhD, Associate Professor, Civil & Environmental Engineering;

Maggie Eppstein, PhD, Associate Professor Computer Science/Assistant Professor Biology;

Ted Hart, PhD (Biology);

Erin Hayes Pontius, St. Michael's College;

Adam Reynolds, UVM Community Development and Applied Economics (CDAE)

**10:45 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Break**

**11:00 – 11:45 a.m.**

Impacts of Cyberinfrastructure on Research, STEM Education and State Economy – Track 2 improvements

Jim Vincent, PhD, Research Professor Biology and Director Bioinformatics Core (VGN)

Jeff Letourneau, Executive Director of NetworkMaine at the University of Maine System

Karen Marshall, Chief of ConnectVT

**11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

How do we broaden our NSF Support? Program Overview, Funding Opportunities

Rita Teutonico, PhD, Chair Research Coordination Networks (RCN) Science, Engineering and Education for Sustainability (SEES)

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**12:30 – 2:00 p.m.**

Lunch & Keynote

*1:00 p.m. – Keynote Speaker*

Deb Markowitz, Secretary, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

**2:00 – 2:45 p.m.**

Communicating Science Panel

Linda Bowden, ECHO Center Lifelong Learning Coordinator;

Matthias Brewer, PhD, UVM Chemistry Department;

Josh Brown, Senior Writer for Science and Environment, UVM

**2:45 – 3:30 p.m.**

Workforce Development and Diversification: New Pathways

David Bradbury, President, Vermont Center for Emerging Technologies (VCET);

Miranda Lescaze, Director VT EPSCoR Center for Workforce Development & Diversity (CWDD);

Michele Kupersmith, VT Technology Council Internship Program Coordinator

**3:30 – 4:15 p.m.**

Sustaining Through Innovation

David Dunn, Technology & Commercialization Business Adviser, VtSBDC

Danielle O'Hallisey, Owner/Operator, Calculated Technology, LLC,

Anju Dahiya, PhD, CoFounder & President, General Systems Research, LLC,

John Bootle, Founder, Thermal Composites

**4:15 – 6:00 p.m.**

Posters and Networking

Hors d'oeuvres, refreshments

**6:00 p.m.**

Annual Meeting and Poster session concludes

Dinner on your own