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Housatonic River Watershed Zebra Mussel Forum February 4, 2012

8:45-9:15 AM	Event Registration	LOBBY Fisher Science Center
9:15 AM	Welcome Dennis Regan, Housatonic Valley Association & Donald Roeder, Simon's Rock	AUDITORIUM Fisher Science Center
9:25 AM	Keynote Speaker #1: Local Perspective Ethan Nedeau, Biodrawiversity <i>Issue Status Report: Zebra Mussels in the Housatonic River Watershed</i>	AUDITORIUM Fisher Science Center
10:15 AM	Keynote Speaker #2: National Perspective Doug Jensen, Minnesota Sea Grant <i>Don't Give Aquatic Invasive Species the Housatonic Valley! Lessons from the Great Lakes</i>	AUDITORIUM Fisher Science Center
11:20 AM	LUNCH	DINING HALL Student Union
12:30 PM	Panel Discussion (Panelists on Reverse) <i>Local Management Tools & Strategies: What Have We Tried?</i>	AUDITORIUM Fisher Science Center
1:45 PM	10-MINUTE BREAK	Fisher Science Center
1:55 PM	Moderated Break-Out Sessions <i>What Should/Could we do Locally?</i>	VARIOUS ROOMS (See Reverse) Fisher Science Center
2:40 PM	10-MINUTE BREAK	Fisher Science Center
2:50 PM	Panel Discussion: Break-Out Session Recap <i>Identification of 2012 Priorities</i>	AUDITORIUM Fisher Science Center
3:35 p.m.	Concluding Remarks Dennis Regan, Housatonic Valley Association & Donald Roeder, Simon's Rock <i>Next Steps: Where do we go From Here?</i>	AUDITORIUM Fisher Science Center

LOCAL MANAGEMENT TOOLS & STRATEGIES PANELISTS (12:30-1:45 PM)

Jim Straub, Lakes and Ponds Program Manager, MA Department of Conservation and Recreation
Peter Aarrestad, Inland Fisheries Division Director, CT Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
Eleanor Mariani, Boating Division Director, CT Department of Energy & Environmental Protection
Jim McGrath, Pittsfield Harbor Master; Park, Open Space & Natural Resource Program Manager, City of Pittsfield
George Shippey, Chairman, Stockbridge Zebra Mussel Committee
David Santos, Conservation Director, CT BASS Federation Nation

BREAK-OUT SESSIONS (1:55-2:40 PM)

TOPIC	MODERATORS	LOCATION
<i>Scientific Monitoring & Reporting Protocols</i>	Ethan Nedeau , Owner & Principal Aquatic Biologist, Biodrawvversity Dr. Mitch Wagener , Dept. of Biology & Environmental Science Chair, WCSU	Rm. 113 – Physics Fisher Sci. Center
<i>Community-Based Boat Ramp Monitoring</i>	Gwendolynn Flynn , Boating Division Environmental Analyst, CT DEEP Jim McGrath , Pittsfield Harbor Master, City of Pittsfield	Rm. 112 – Computer Fisher Sci. Center
<i>Education & Outreach</i>	Phyllis Schaer , Invasive Species Subcommittee Chair, Candlewood Lake Authority Jim Straub , Lakes and Ponds Program Coordinator, MA DCR	Rm. 202 Fisher Sci. Center
<i>Prevention & Decontamination</i>	Mark Howarth , Director of Education, Candlewood Lake Authority George Shippey , Chairman, Stockbridge Zebra Mussel Committee	Rm. 211A – Ecology Fisher Sci. Center
<i>Exploring New Management Strategies</i>	Dr. Donald Roeder , Environmental Studies and Biology Professor, Simon’s Rock College Meghan Ruta , CT Water Protection Program Manager, Housatonic Valley Association	Rm. 201 – Classroom Fisher Sci. Center