



2021 ALPINE Summer Institute Reading List

June 9:

Introductory session

Discussion of Benton McKay, the Appalachian Trail and the importance of large landscape conservation

Presenters: Jim Levitt and Tony Hiss, author

Readings:

- *Rescuing the Planet: Protecting Half the Land to Heal the Earth by Tony Hiss*
- *Benton MacKaye's Vision and its Emerging Realization: The First and Second Hundred Years by Jim Levitt*

June 16

Land Protection Tools and Techniques

Presenter: Paul Catanzaro, Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Conservation and State Extension Forester at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Readings: *Protecting Your Legacy by Paul Catanzaro, Wendy Sweetzer Ferris, Sarah Wells and Jay Rasku.*

June 23

Case Study A: Harvard Forest and the North Quabbin Regional Conservation Partnership

Presenters: David R. Foster, Harvard Forest Director Emeritus, President of the Highstead Foundation

Leigh Youngblood, Former Executive Director of the Mount Grace Land Trust

Readings:

- *Better Conservation through Partnerships by Martha Nudel*
- *History and Importance of Land Use and Protection in the Northeast Quabbin Region of Massachusetts by Alisa Golodetz and David Foster*
- *Wildlands and Woodlands 2017 Report*
- *Building the Tully Loop Trail by Amy Townsend*

June 30

Case Study B: Cold Hollow to Canada Initiative and Carbon Project

Presenters: Jim Shallow, Director of Strategic Conservation Initiatives, The Nature Conservancy Vermont and Charlie Hancock, Cold Hollow to Canada Initiative Cofounder and Board Chair

Reading: the Cold Hollow Carbon Case Study:

<https://landconservationnetwork.org/sites/default/files/Case%20Profile%20Cold%20Hollow%20Carbon%20VT%20%23.pdf>

Additional recommended readings:

the Cold Hollow to Canada RCP website which has good information and maps of the area:

<https://www.coldhollowtocanada.org/>

information from the Vermont Land Trust about this project: <https://vlt.org/forestcarbon>

More about carbon and forests in general:

https://masswoods.org/sites/masswoods.org/files/Forest-Carbon-web_1.pdf

July 14

Case Studies C and D: California's Cutting Green Tape Initiative

Presenters: Sharon Farrell, Executive Vice President, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy and Shawn Johnson, Managing Director of the Center for Natural Resources & Environmental Policy at the University of Montana

Readings:

- **case profile on One Tam and Cutting Green Tape (in California)**
- **case profile on the Site Wind Right initiative, which originated at the Kansas Chapter of The Nature Conservancy. It is available at <https://www.landconservationnetwork.org/node/430816>.**

The Nature Conservancy Site Wind Right Initiative

July 21

Organizational Strengthening for Conservation Organizations through a DEI Lens

Presenter: Karena Mahung, Consultant at Indufor Ltd. and readings from

Readings:

- **Caroline Finney's *Black Faces, White Spaces: Reimagining the Relationship of African Americans to the Great Outdoors***

Recommended Additional Readings:

- [***A Multi-Faceted Look at Diversity: Why Outreach is Not Enough* by Heather Berthoud Robert D. Greene \(Spring 2001\)**](#)
- [***The New Yorker, "Environmentalism's Racist History"* by Jedediah Purdy \(August 13, 2015\)**](#)
- [***Politico, "Environmental Groups' Greatest Obstacle May Not Be Republican Opposition"* by Zack Colman \(February 2, 2021\)**](#)

