

LTER Meeting and Regionalization Workshop at Harvard Forest - Oct 3-6, 1996

Schedule as of September 23, 1996

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20:00 Dinner (Shaler Hall Dining Room approx 35 people?)

Friday, October 4 Coordinating Committee Meeting Regionalization Workshop

8:00 Coordinating Committee Meeting - Session 1 (Fisher Museum)

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13:00 Harvard Forest Overview and Regionalization Workshop (Fisher Museum)

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Nitrogen Saturation Experiment

Atmosphere Biosphere Exchanges

Soil Warming Experiment

Land-use Patterns, Soils, and Vegetation

Hurricane Experiment

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19:30 Site Regional Presentations (10 minutes and 5 minute discussion)

AND (Harmon)

ARC (Hobbie)

BNZ (Yarie?)

CDR (Wedin)

LTER abbreviations on back

Saturday, October 5 Regionalization Workshop CC Meeting

8:00 Regionalization Workshop - Longer Talks

8:00 "Short- and long-term landscape-atmospheric interactions at local and regional scales"
Roger Pielke, SGS

9:00 "Regional land-use change modeling and analysis for the Southern Appalachian region"
David Wear, CWT

10:00 Coffee Break

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Sunday, October 6 Regionalization Workshop and CC Meeting

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"Approaches and results from regional predictability for lake ecosystems"
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10:30 Workshop Wrap-up - D.R. Foster, et al.

Role of regional studies in LTER and ecological sciences
Synthesis of LTER and ecological regionalization studies

12:00 Lunch and Departures

**Next LTER Coordinating Committee Meeting:
OCTOBER 2-6, 1996, HARVARD FOREST LTER SITE,
Petersham, Massachusetts**

*Revised 19 Sep 1996 by R. A. Lent
See "Local Arrangements" for new material
See also the detailed agenda and schedule*

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BRIEF AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

- Executive Committee flies to Boston, Hartford, or Worcester; drives to Harvard Forest

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

- Executive Committee meeting all day
- Coordinating Committee participants and others fly in to Boston, Hartford, or Worcester

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

- Coordinating Committee meeting and Regional Science Theme

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

- Coordinating Committee meeting and Regional Science Theme
- Harvard Forest Field Trip

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

- End of meeting and departures. Departing flights should be scheduled after 3:00pm.

Regionalization Electronic Document Builder. Click on this link for information on LTER Regionalization (Regional Science Theme), to submit a regionalization document, or to view recently-submitted site regionalization documents.

IF YOU ARE NOT ON THE CONFIRMED PARTICIPANTS LIST BELOW,

click here to send confirmation: awhitener@LTERnet.edu

OR phone: (206) 543-4853; fax: (206) 543-7295

CONFIRMED PARTICIPANTS (as of 18 September 1996):

John Aber, John Blair, Caroline Bledsoe, Indy Burke, David Coleman, David Foster, Jerry Franklin, Stuart Gage, Jim Gosz, David Greenland, Mark Harmon, Bruce Hayden, Loretta Johnson, Johannes Knops, Tim Kratz, Victoria Levin, Art McKee, Rudolf Nottrott, Polly Penhale, Roger Pielke, John Porter, Langdon Quetin, Phil Robertson, Emma Rossi, Susan Stafford, John Thomlinson, John Vande Castle, Ross Virginia, Jim Vose, David Wedin, Carol Wessman, Robert Wharton, John Yarie

AIRLINE TRAVEL

The LTER Network Office will pay travel expenses for 1 representative per LTER site, ****PLUS**** Executive Committee members and Committee Chairs. **OFFICIAL SITE REPS, EXECES, AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS: DIRECT-BILL YOUR AIRLINE TICKETS TO THE NETWORK OFFICE THROUGH AMBASSADOR TRAVEL: 1-800-233-8263, OR (206) 623-0484.** Tell them you are attending the LTER Coordinating Committee meeting, and your ticket is to be billed to the LTER account. Please plan your arrival and departure according to the agenda shown above. If your itinerary includes any non-LTER travel, please be sure to find out the price difference so you can reimburse the Network Office.

See Ground Transportation below.

For help in sorting through your options, please contact the travel agent. Which airport you choose should depend on which routing offers the most competitive price. Boston/Logan Airport is a two-hour drive from Harvard Forest. Bradley International in Hartford requires a 90-minute drive. Worcester Municipal Airport is significantly closer (ca. 30 minutes), but is serviced by fewer carriers (including US Air) and, we are told, experiences occasional cancellations. **WHEN YOUR ITINERARY IS SET, PLEASE NOTIFY RICHARD LENT OF YOUR ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES, SO LOCAL TRANSPORTATION CAN BE ARRANGED.** Please also advise Harvard Forest of any special requirements, dietary restrictions, or other accommodations that you may need. [Click here to send e-mail to Richard Lent, Harvard Forest LTER Site.](#)

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

HOW TO FIND HARVARD FOREST

- Click [here](#) for local directions to Harvard Forest.
- Click [here](#) for a map to Harvard Forest (print from your Web browser using landscape orientation).

GROUND TRANSPORTATION

Harvard Forest will assume responsibility for arranging ground

transportation to and from local airports (Boston, Hartford, Worcester) and between Harvard Forest and lodging. Ground transportation schedules will be finalized and distributed when we know the itineraries of meeting participants, so please be sure to e-mail your travel schedules to us ASAP if you have not already done so ([Richard Lent, Harvard Forest LTER Site](#)).

LODGING

Lodging will be provided in the Shaler Hall headquarters building of Harvard Forest (dormitory style rooms) and at several local bed and breakfasts located within a 15-mile radius of Petersham. CC meeting attendees will be assigned housing in one of these facilities. Attendees will either receive housing assignments upon arrival at Shaler Hall or be notified prior to travel.

FOOD

Meals will be provided on site or at your primary accomodation. Food will be provided at Shaler Hall during the CC meeting and for people lodging at Harvard Forest. For people lodging at local B + B's, you may either eat breakfast at your lodging or take it at Shaler Hall.

FIELD TRIP

See the [detailed agenda](#) for field trip information (Friday afternoon visits to Harvard Forest field sites) .

TRAVEL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

Please be prepared to pay out-of-pocket for your lodging, food and miscellaneous travel expenses. PARTICIPANTS WHOSE TRAVEL EXPENSES ARE TO BE PAID BY THE LTER NETWORK OFFICE: Expense reimbursement packets will be available at the meeting. The Network Office will reimburse 1 representative per LTER site, ****PLUS**** Exec Committee members and LTER Committee Chairs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION...

QUESTIONS ABOUT TRAVEL PROCEDURES OR REIMBURSEMENT: [Adrienne Whitener, LTER Network Office, awhitener@LTERnet.edu, \(206\) 543-4853](#)

QUESTIONS ABOUT LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS OR FIELD TRIP: [Richard Lent, Harvard Forest LTER Site, rlent@fas.harvard.edu, \(508\) 724-3302, ext. 242](#)

[Click here to visit the Harvard Forest LTER Site](#)

[Click here for information on Harvard University](#)

[Click here for information about Petersham, Massachusetts](#)

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8:00 Executive Committee Morning Session (Shaler Hall Seminar Room 8 people)
10:00 Coffee Break
12:00 Lunch (8 people - Country Store Sandwiches)
13:00 Executive Committee Afternoon Session (Shaler Hall Seminar Room 8 people)
17:00 Late Afternoon Stretch
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NSF briefing (Polly Penhale, Polar Programs)
Oxford contract status (Hayden)
 template for volume evaluation
 volume format, cover, logo
 site volume schedule
 synthesis volumes
LMER report (Hayden)
 new site involvement in the Network
 site assistance for proposal development, successful sites
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Network Office status (Gosz)
 budget negotiation
 transition plans
 job descriptions for Exec. Dir., Publications Specialist
 office electronic publication
 next paper publications
 slide copyright permissions from sites

10:00 am Coffee Break

Organization of Biological Field Stations - LTER interaction (Gosz)
National Network of Monitoring and Research Sites Status (Gosz/Hayden)
ILTER status (Gosz)
Next CC science theme (Santa Barbara) status (Smith)
SDSC workshop status (Gosz)

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 Graduate Student Cross-site status - alternative plans (Rossi)
 LTER budget recovery plans (Gosz)
 Planning activities for science efforts (e.g., biodiversity,
 regionalization, soil standardization, others)
 Biodiversity theme followup (Waide)
 Regionalization theme followup (Foster)
 All-Site Bibliography update (Bledsoe)
 Soils Workshop/volume report, NRCS interaction status (Robertson)

 15:00 Coffee break

 National Climate Data Center collaboration (Greenland/Gosz)

GTOS collaboration (Gosz)

Other Committee reports

Data Managers (Stafford)

Climate Committee (Greenland)

XRoots/Climate effort (Bledsoe)

Graduate Students (Rossi)

Technology (Bowser)

Remote Sensing (photometer, NASA projects) (Vande Castle)

Synthesis (Gosz)

Cross-site project update (Ed Whitelaw)

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Agenda

8:00 am, October 4

Introductions

NSF briefing (letter from Scott Collins)

LMER report (Hayden)

new competitions

site assistance for proposal development

new sites involvement in the Network, site assistance

National Monitoring and Research Network Status

EPA discussion (Dr. Gilman Veith)

Climate Committee-NCDC Discussion (Greenland/Davis)

Oxford Contract Status (Hayden)

volume template/checklist

volume format, cover

site volume schedule

synthesis volume schedule

10:30

- real difficulty in syntheses

Biodiversity Workshop Report (Waide)

← remote sensing report

SDSC Workshop Development

Next Science Theme (Climate Dynamics - Smith)

Soils Workshop/Volume Status (Robertson)

ILTER status

Network Office Status

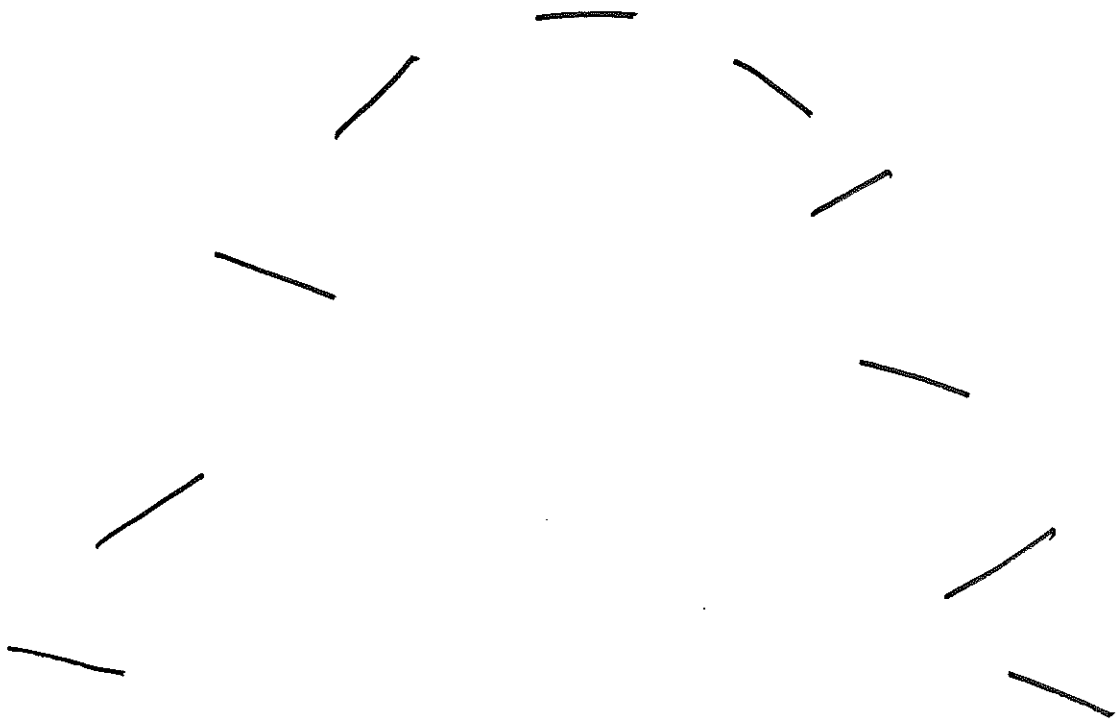
budget negotiation

transition plans

Exec. Dir. Job description

office electronic report publication (series)

slide copyright permissions form sites



Saturday, 13:00

Organization of Biological Field Stations-LTER interaction

All-Site Bibliography update (Bledsoe)

X-Roots/Climate effort (Bledsoe)

Data Managers Committee (Stafford)

**Graduate Student Committee Report/Status of Cross-Site prop.
(Rossi)**

Remote Sensing Report (Vande Castle)

**Planning activities for new science efforts (biodiversity,
regionalization, soils, climate dynamics, remote sensing)**

LTER budget recovery efforts

National Network of Monitoring and Research Sites

Workshop, Sept. 25 - 27, 1996

Recommendations to CENR subcommittee:

- * 18-24 months to produce a pilot assessment (report card) as a model for future report cards (first official report card due 2001)**
- * Commit to continuing regional pilot efforts to integrate the environmental monitoring and research networks**
- * Commit to identify and involve pilots of intensive sites and index sites (name/develop ~ 50; identify ecological gaps)**

“Index sites will serve as integrative “nodes” where inventories, surveys, and other monitoring networks overlap to provide high-quality data on major environmental driving variables of the region. Index sites can become leading candidate locations for process research as various environmental issues arise. Conversely, existing research networks with strong, continuing process research programs contain many logical candidates for index sites.”

**III ILTER Annual Meeting
Panama/Costa Rica
November 11-15, 1996**

Latin American LTER Networks

Participating Latin American Countries:

**Bolivia
Brazil
Costa Rica
Ecuador
Guatemala
Jamaica
Mexico
Nicaragua
Panama
Peru
Puerto Rico
Venezuela**

Organization of Biological Field Stations

Endorsed linking databases among field stations (and with LTER sites) and will work with ESA to develop workshops toward that end.

OBFS will request NCEAS to host workshops to help data managers and directors of field stations in developing home pages and getting data sets online.

OBFS will move email forwarding system to LTERnet after the transition of the Network Office (when we are ready)

Will change their address to OBFSnet.edu