

Southeastern Massachusetts Regional Sustainability Exchange

The first in a series of events
to build a regional collaborative
working towards a sustainable future

Who should attend?

All local leaders, decision-makers and all those who inform decisions about public spending, municipal buildings and facilities, land use and development and natural resource protection



What is the purpose?

To learn from each other, to find ways to use money and staff time more efficiently, to plan regionally for issues that cross municipal boundaries and to find potential cost savings from pooling local needs

What are the issues to be covered?

Energy, water, agriculture, economic development, natural resources, waste and recycling, land use, transportation, housing, construction, infrastructure, education

Date: Thursday, October 16, 2008
Time: 8:30 AM to 1:30 PM
Place: University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
285 Old Westport Road
North Dartmouth, MA 02747-2300
Woodland Commons

Coffee and Lunch will be provided. Confirmation of your attendance is required no later than October 14. For more information and to RSVP, please contact: Louise Hardiman, SRPEDD, by phone at 508-824-1367 or by email at lhardiman@srpedd.org.



This event is being co-sponsored by the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth, the Southeastern Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD) and the Island Foundation.

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Agenda

8:30-9:00 AM **Coffee**

9:00-9:15 AM **Introductions**

9:15-9:30 AM **Brief Discussion: What does it mean to be sustainable?**

9:30-10:45 AM **Presentations and discussion about current sustainability planning efforts within the region:**

9:30-9:55	New Bedford Mayor's Task Force on Sustainability
9:55-10:20	Fairhaven Sustainability Committee
10:20-10:45	Report of the Futures Task Force

10:45-11:00 AM **Break**

11:00-12:00 PM **Presentations and discussion (continued)**

11:00-11:25	University of Massachusetts Dartmouth
11:25-12:00	ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability

12:00-1:30 PM **Lunch & Strategic Planning - Identifying Needs**

Identify municipal needs to achieve sustainability
Identify potential structures for collaboration and action

PARKING: **Lot #7A**
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