

Waldo County Climate Change Symposium: Preparing for Tomorrow - Our Climate Future

Please add your thoughts and comments!

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What each org is doing to respond to climate change

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Maine Won't Wait - keynote presentation by Dr. Cassandra Rose

A few of the resources I mentioned this morning:
Community Resilience Partnership,
<https://www.maine.gov/future/climate/community-resilience-partnership>

<http://mainewontwait.org/>

For all climate council details and reports,
<https://www.maine.gov/future/initiatives/climate/climate-council>



Maine Won't Wait:
How Maine is Taking Action on Climate Change

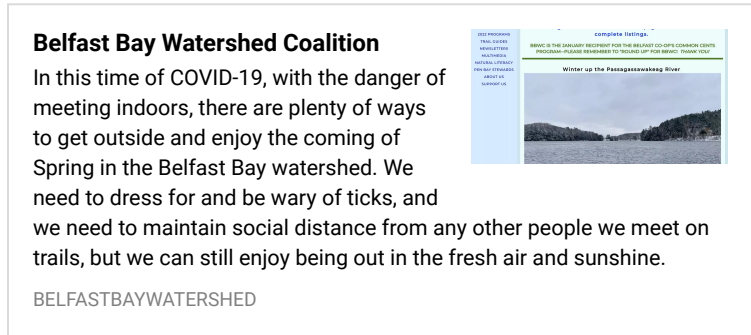
Dr. Cassandra Rose
Senior Science Analyst & Climate Council Coordinator
Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future

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Belfast Bay Watershed Coalition

Support conservation + stewardship of the watershed. Programs: environmental literacy, recreational optyps, community sustainability, watershed assessments. Climate change an impt theme thru everything! Esp. our school progs. Also: barriers to fish passage; water quality monitoring; and starting the Sustainable Watershed Initiative.



Belfast Bay Watershed Coalition

In this time of COVID-19, with the danger of meeting indoors, there are plenty of ways to get outside and enjoy the coming of Spring in the Belfast Bay watershed. We need to dress for and be wary of ticks, and we need to maintain social distance from any other people we meet on trails, but we can still enjoy being out in the fresh air and sunshine.

BELFASTBAYWATERSHED

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BBWC Slides



Belfast Bay Watershed Coalition

mission
Belfast Bay Watershed Coalition **supports conservation** and **stewardship** of public resources of the Belfast Bay watershed through **research, building, and education.**

and enhance the natural functions of the watershed.
community awareness and understanding of the watersheds **and their natural, scenic and cultural values.**
the enjoyment of the lands and water in the watershed.
the study of the ecological conditions and features of the watershed.
stewardship that helps sustain natural and cultural resources of the Belfast Bay Watershed.
enhance partnerships.

BBWC Overview - 01212022_final
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Friends of Belfast Parks

Volunteers advocating for community parks & greenways, support work of Parks & Rec Dept. 14 parks today (only 4 in 1996)! 2 new greenways: Harborwalk & Rail Trail. Our recommendations to Parks & Rec for addressing climate change in our parks & communities: Promote healthy activities in nature; increase accessibility; protect wildlife & habitat; planting native species; environmental construction practices; green equipment; and more.

Friends of Belfast Parks

Friends of Belfast Parks P.O. Box
947 Belfast, Maine 04915 Email us
MISSION: A volunteer-based, non-profit,
501 (c) (3) organization dedicated to the
preservation, improvement, and use of
Belfast's parks and green spaces.



FRIENDS OF BELFAST PARKS

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Belfast Area High School

School's Climate Crisis Committee, Marine Studies, fish & wildlife class, engineering class, others involved in many projects: Coastal Flooding project with Gulf of Maine Research Institute & Library. ABCD project contributions - sharing personal impacts of climate change. Installed water level sensor at city dock providing real time data. Planning floating buoys. Applying for grant to create a marine institute. Composting program. Planned pollinator & food project - looking for collabs w/ orgs like Belfast Garden Club. Helping City's Climate Crisis Committee w/ research on precipitation and flooding.

BAHS

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Belfast, ME 04915 | P: (207) 338-1790 | F:
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Island Institute

Sustain Maine's island and coastal communities; bolster capacity. Climate solutions work: clean energy, sea level rise, ocean acidification. Marine economy, marine decarbonation work, clean energy transitions, sea-level rise resiliency. Piloting projects & grants for backup power, other strategic clean energy - 1-on-1 support for communities like Isleboro and Eastport. Team focused on adaptation for sea level rise: collab oppty's including grants for risk assessment, planning, support. Climate Conference Sept. 2022.

Island Institute - Strengthening Communities

As we enter a new year, many people are making resolutions around their personal health and well-being for the months ahead. In our latest "Our Favorite Things" blog, we highlight a few small businesses and organizations focused on helping us feel well and be well.



ISLAND INSTITUTE

For more information on our adaptation/sea level rise collaborative support, including funding and resources:
<https://www.islandinstitute.org/priorities/climate-solutions/sea-level-rise/> - ANONYMOUS

For more information on clean energy transition work and opportunities for support :
<https://www.islandinstitute.org/priorities/climate-solutions/clean-energy/> - ANONYMOUS

Please feel free to reach out to Abby Roche at
aroche@islandinstitute.org - ANONYMOUS

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MOFGA

MOFGA creating food system that is healthy and fair to all. Education, training, advocacy to help famers thrive; support sustainable communities. Common Ground Fair, education, journey person prog; a public policy program that is doing a lot to address climate change. Organic mgmt and low impact forestry critical to address climate chg effects. Advocacy for public policies and funding. Org. mgmt to improve soil structure - it's all about the soil! Natural and working lands working group of ME Climate Council; public policy teach-in's, ME Healthy Soils Program; Incentives for Soil Carbon Storage; Rep. Chellie Pingree's Agricultural Resilient Act; ME Soil Health Tech. Assistance Program.

Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association

The Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association is working to transform our food system so that local organic food is available for all.



MAINE ORGANIC FARMERS AND GARDENERS

Per Heather Spaulding: Two upcoming offerings from MOFGA regarding climate change: a white paper highlighting the importance of organic management practices and the Maine Soil Health Technical Assistance Project which MOFGA is hosting in collaboration with Maine's Department of Agriculture and Cooperative Extension. This will provide grants to farmers wanting technical assistance for implementing soil health practices. The program will start in April. - ABCD46

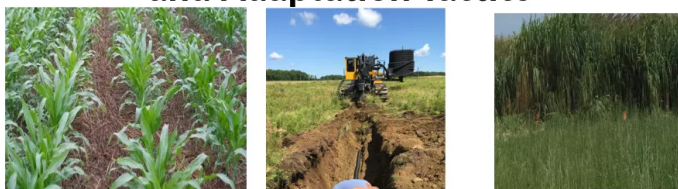
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UMaine Waldo Co Coop Extension

<https://extension.umaine.edu/waldo/>

Helping farmers adapt to climate change, build resiliency - adapt to warmer, wetter, drier conditions. Alternative forage crop systems to help balance risk. Building soils - carbon, organic matter, no-till, cover crops, mitigate runoff and erosion. Examine farm practices and soils based on diff cropping practices. Systems to address weather variations. Tools to help teach: rainfall simulator.

Climate Change: Opportunities, Risks and Adaptation Tactics



Sustainable Farming Systems

Rick Kersbergen
Extension Professor Sustainable Dairy and Forage Systems
Waldo County
Richard.kersbergen@maine.edu



Photos: top left and right, Richard Kersbergen; top center, Kitty O'Neil; bottom, Carl Majewski

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WindowDressers

<https://windowdressers.org/>

WindowDressers - Insulating Window Inserts

WindowDressers 10th Birthday Celebration and Production Facility Dedication
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Friday, August 27, 2021 On Friday, August 27, 2021 WindowDressers Staff, Board members and Founder Volunteers gathered in Searsmont, ME to celebrate WindowDressers' 10th Birthday and to dedicate the new...



WINDOWDRESSERS

Jerry Brand - GERALD BRAND

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Belfast Climate Crisis Committee

Many educational programs on heat pumps, etc. Projects: Coastal Flood Monitoring w/ GMRI; added 2 tide gauges to collect local data. Recommendations to City Council to assist w/ policy

decisions. In October, City requested to report on precipitation, flooding - recommendations for infrastructure and severe weather. Working on Climate Action Plan. Collaborate w/ other groups - Army Corps Engineers for high water mark signs; US Harbors and 4 other local towns on tide/weather sensors. Future: continue data collection; continue working w/ high school and other students. Collaborate & coordinate with groups here today - action, growth, positive change in the face of climate change.

Belfast Climate Crisis Committee

Belfast Maine Climate Crisis Committee is a Belfast, Maine City committee. Mission Statement: The CCC's mission is to catalyze actions throughout the Belfast community for a sustainable future while adapting to climate change.



YOUTUBE

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Belfast Garden Club

Founded 1928, many members have seen significant effects of climate change in their gardens. Many projects all run by volunteers - beautifying parks; series of public lectures incl. this year's Evening Series co-sponsored by ABCD. Next week: **Maine's Climate Future: The Role of Carbon Management in Farms and Forests with Dr. Ivan Fernandez**. Open Garden Days. RSU School Garden Collaborative program in March. A garden is a managed piece of landscape that can have many purposes - beauty, food - pollinator support. Can't control the weather. Frost dates; changing soil temps; a changed planting zone - good climate data is essential to understand effects on plants for good gardening. We already work with many of the orgs today and look forward to working with more.

Belfast Garden Club

The Belfast Garden Club has donated 22 new books to the community this year, expanding its library book donation program to include area schools for the first time. President Barb Gage explains "It is the hard work of our 100+ members and the generosity of our community that allows us to give back in these ways.



BELFASTGARDENCLUB

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Waldo County Bount

Our group started in direct response to pandemic - supply impacts on individuals and families with increased need for food. Participated in state and local efforts also. Impacts on farmers - supply issues affecting planting plans. Work with Unity Barnraisers "Veggies for All" 10+ year gleaning program where farmers donate - contributes food to pantries and other orgs. How to generate funds for this? Those programs integrated. Give And Take tables,

share sheds. Although in response to pandemic, this has shone a light on infrastructure needs, food insecurity, people's needs. Housing crisis is a force. Looking at ways to make systems more resilient. Changing land; climate change; other factors in how well a crop does. Shout-out to MOFGA and Waldo Co Extension for your work on these issues!

Waldo County Bount

Our Mission: Waldo County Bount is a hunger relief organization working to improve access to locally-grown foods for people experiencing food insecurity in Waldo County, Maine through cross-sector planning, collaboration, and fundraising.



WALDO COUNTY BOUNTY

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Window Dressers

Created 12 yrs ago in Rockland; since 2012 in Belfast: we make window inserts that go inside windows in homes, trailers, apartments. Individually measured. All volunteers. Goal to offer low-income customers up to 10 inserts at no charge every year. Goals: Keep Mainers warmer, save fuel costs, reduce CO2 emissions, build stronger communities. Accomplished last year: 6,186 new inserts in ME, VT. 64,953 gallons of heating fuel saved - 1,458,844 pounds of CO2 saved [assumes everyone used heating fuel]. Pre-covid average, 60 customers per year; 50% are seniors. We've learned: need to continually recruit volunteers and leadership; improve marketing to reach low-income customers especially. Would appreciate sharing info with other orgs about other types of heating issues we don't address. Workshop in November!

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WINDOWDRESSERS

A (very important) unintended consequence of this program is the team building across all diverse backgrounds and political identifications: just people working together to solve a problem. We need more of this dynamic. – GERALD BRAND

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Window Dressers

WORRIED ABOUT PAYING YOUR HEATING BILLS?

WINDOW DRESSERS CAN HELP!

What is Window Dressers?

- Volunteer non-profit that makes interior window inserts to save fuel, keep you more comfortable, and reduce CO2 emissions.
- In a typical house you could see fuel savings of up to 20%.
- Inserts are made in community workshops all over Maine.
- Costs are kept low and special low income pricing is available.

**NO WINDOW INSERT? 8%
 WITH WINDOW INSERT? 70%
 (Energy Savings)**

**SIGN UP AT WWW.WINDOWDRESSERS.ORG TODAY!
 OR CALL 207-596-3073 FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

Funding for Window Dressers Belfast was provided by the New England Grassroots Environment Fund. www.grassrootsfund.org

New England Grassroots Environment Fund

Slides for climate symposium Jan. 22

Powerpoint presentation

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Unitarian Universalist Church Climate Action Team

One of our principles: respect for interconnectedness of life. Became a Green Sanctuary Church (composting; cloth napkins; low energy, non-polluting cleaners). Last yr, started Community Action Group including Climate Action Team. 4 zoom programs w/ Ellsworth church re: clean energy; electric vehicles; heat pumps; and talk by Maine Community Action Team. Solar: discovered our church would not benefit from rooftop solar. Church joined Perkins Road solar subscription - anyone can join through the church's subscription. Now: working on EICDA carbon dividend tax - looking to educate our congregation; vote on it; and advocate for using less fossil fuels. Thinking about the impact of storytelling & learning from others.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Belfast | UUCB

Unitarian Universalist Church of Belfast is a vibrant, inter-generational faith community, inspired by thought and spirit and grounded in love. Our mission is to honor differences and to foster peace, justice, and sustainability in ourselves and in our world. We are a liberal, welcoming church that believes in the worth and dignity of each individual.



UUCB

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St. Margaret's Church

Appreciate hearing from the UU's today - so much to learn from them and each other. Long active supporting GBAM food cupboard, Game Loft, support for issues of poverty and family abuse. Although individual members have installed solar and other

actions, the parish as a whole has not addressed climate change until now. Want to learn and collaborate w/ other orgs here working on climate change. Looking at figuring out how to do this. Also recognize the importance of gradual persuading people - and storytelling is a great tool. Small positive changes can encourage people to talk about it and do more. Developed a reading list of books about nature and our place in it. Encouraging parishioners to sign up for carbon tracking tool. Will have a newsletter with links to area activities and practical suggestions to cut carbon emissions in our everyday lives. We look forward to working with you all!

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church (Belfast, Maine)

St. Margaret in Belfast, Maine. Shared worship is at the heart of St. Margaret's life. We come together to sing, pray, learn and be energized to go forth and serve God in our neighbors. Come join us!



ST. MARGARET'S (BELFAST, ME)

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All of Belfast: Climate Dialogues (ABCD)

ABCD is a community memory project of the Belfast Free Library, funded by Institute for Museum and Library Services. Created to help area residents talk about climate change and its impact, to increase awareness and prepare for its challenges. Want to get people talking about climate change impacts they have experienced and share stories, concerns, hopes - to see what our shared concerns are; inspire one another to take hopeful action; and celebrate what Belfast is already doing to address the impacts of climate change. We invite you to share your stories on our website; sign up for our monthly newsletter; attend an educational Zoom program; and learn more about climate change on the Library's ABCD web pages.

All of Belfast: Climate Dialogues

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<https://belfastlibrary.org/all-of-belfast-climate-dialogues/>
- ABCD46

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Citizens Climate Lobby

Belfast area group of national CCL organization - a citizens lobby to act specifically for one piece of legislation: The Energy

Innovation & Carbon Dividend, EICDA, HR 2307. Simple idea: the price of fossil fuels doesn't reflect the true price to society of burning them. It would put a price (fee) on carbon and return these collected fees to citizens via a yearly check. Vast majority of lower income families would benefit - a specific concern for rural Maine, lots of miles traveled for work. The scope of the climate change problem and the rapidity with which we need to act - this initiative looks at the whole system and has the potential for reaching net zero by 2050.

Citizens' Climate Lobby Chapters

CCL is organized into local chapters in congressional districts. Working as a team you'll experience the profound difference people can make by empowering and inspiring their elected representatives, local media, and community.

CITIZENS' CLIMATE LOBBY



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Belfast Area Chamber of Commerce

Unable to attend today, but Dorothy Havey shared: Really encouraging people to use less paper - the Chamber publishes the summer guide online now.

Homepage - Belfast Area Chamber of Commerce

Belfast & Waldo County offer a unique maritime history, endless outdoor offerings, an active art scene, and robust farm to table movement, with historic downtowns and thriving waterfronts. The Chamber's mission is to promote an environment in which businesses can prosper and people love to live, work, and play.

BELFAST AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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Our Town Belfast

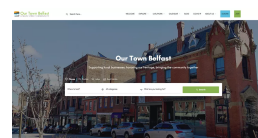
Not able to attend today.

We missed you and we look forward to looping you in to further conversations!

Our Town Belfast - Welcome!

We believe in supporting local businesses, honoring our heritage through historic preservation, and in bringing together the community in order to make downtown ...

OUR TOWN BELFAST



ABCD46 JAN 22, 2022 07:10PM

Coastal Mountains Land Trust

Not able to attend today.

We missed you and look forward to future conversations!

Coastal Mountains Land Trust

Coastal Mountains Land Trust permanently conserves land in Maine's western Penobscot Bay region.

COASTAL-MOUNTAINS



ABCD46 JAN 22, 2022 07:11PM

Waldo County Soil and Water Conservation District

Unable to attend today.

We missed you and can't wait to loop you in during our next conversation!

Waldo County Soil And Water Conservation District – Conservation and sustainable use of natural resources.

<p>Online via Zoom. Contact us for more information.</p>\n

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What did you hear that surprised or inspired you?

CHIP CURRY JAN 22, 2022 04:04PM

I'm inspired by how many diverse organizations understand their mission to include combatting climate change.

CHIP CURRY JAN 22, 2022 04:36PM

Building Social Norms in Waldo County

I wonder how this group can influence a broader local citizen discussion to prioritize climate change. Could there be a broad challenge to organizations to publicly commit to combatting climate change within and among their other mission priorities?

CHASE JAN 22, 2022 07:06PM

Community involvement

I was so beyond delighted to hear so many people were passionate about the community and the people in it. As a student at BAHS and member of the community surrounding it this is something that i have always considered while creating my ideas. I'm very

delighted to see that people in the community share those same efforts and ideals as me.

New ideas, thoughts & questions sparked!

ANONYMOUS JAN 22, 2022 03:03PM

Urban Forestry

Fred Bowers. Climate Crisis Committee. I've been thinking that it would be beneficial to devise an array of plants, from pollinators to shrubs, to large trees. These arrays could function as shade, carbon sequestration and also habitat. We could use some assistance to determine these arrays that are appropriate to the climate of now and the future. We could advise people to plant these arrays.

ANONYMOUS JAN 22, 2022 03:18PM

The Psychology of Disaster and Climate Change - Psy 333 - Dr. Corlew, UMA

Dr. Corlew has focused her research on the psychology of climate change and is using the book Disasterology: Dispatches from the frontlines of the climate crisis. This course began 1/18 but is still open. Those 65 years of age and older can have tuition and fees waived. 596-6906 FMI

ANONYMOUS JAN 22, 2022 04:03PM

Carbon storage and Japanese Knotweed

We all detest Knotweed. However, how do we get rid of it while still providing soil cover and carbon storage?
This is Fred Bowers from Climate Crisis Committee

ABCD46 JAN 22, 2022 04:26PM

A regional coordinator via Community Resilience Partnership?

Dr. Cassandra Rose, in her description of the support available from the Maine's Community Resilience Partnership, mentioned contracted "regional coordinators". Could this be a good option to explore for helping coordinate all these organizations? - Misty

Hi Misty! This is Abby Roche from the Island Institute. This is a great question. The "regional coordinator" for your region will be tasked with doing just what you're describing --providing avenues for organizations within the region (Waldo is in region 2) to connect and share resources. At the same time they will also be bridging ideas across "region 2" it also includes Hancock, and Washington Counties.

*For more information on this you can see this site
<https://www.maine.gov/future/climate/community-resilience-partnership> – ANONYMOUS*

Thanks so much Abby! – ABCD46

Cloudy weather and Solar

Fred Bowers.

I have solar, but I've noticed that there is more cloudy weather and I don't generate as much electric as I did even 5 years ago. Are we examining that at a State level?

Fred, thanks for also mentioning geothermal in the discussion.

– ABCD46

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Connecting with Waldo County Assistance Program?

Karen Young: Waldo County CAP is a program that, on their website says they help low income people with a variety of things including transportation, home heating and insulation. Does anyone have more information about Waldo County CAP?

Window Dressers does receive client referrals through Waldo CAP. Have a follow-up conversation - Chip Curry, Beverly Roxby.

Waldo County Bounty partners with Waldo CAP on food security/hunger relief. Lissa Widoff, WCB – ANONYMOUS

ABCD46 JAN 22, 2022 05:11PM

Master gardeners program

Chase from BAHS asked about this. UMaine Extension offers a program - see link.

Heather also shared that MOFGA does offer lots of great workshops and programs as well:

<https://www.mofga.org/learn/organic-how-tos/>

Maine Master Gardener Volunteers - Cooperative Extension: Garden & Yard - University of Maine Cooperative Extension



University of Maine Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Volunteers program provides participants with at least 40 hours of in-depth training in the art and science of horticulture. Trainees receive current, research-based information from UMaine Extension educators and industry experts. In return, trained Master Gardeners volunteer their time and expertise in many ways for community programs and ...

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION: GARDEN & YARD

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Small scale wind turbines?

Per Susan Conard: does anyone know why small scale wind turbines are not available in Maine?

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Questions on carbon tax

From Greg B to Peter Millard (as part of our follow up discussion): Why not have the revenue from the carbon tax go to public as a rebate for investment in climate mitigation as individual or communities? rather as a general refund.

Peter: Our concern is that we may have protests similar to the "yellow vest" movement in France which resulted from increased fuel prices with no immediate mitigation. If people benefit, they are likely to support it.

ABCD46 JAN 22, 2022 05:04PM

Reducing food miles and becoming more self-reliant w/ food production

During discussion, per Heather Spaulding: To build on Jerry's point about the importance of local foods, the Maine Climate Council has articulated the desire to reduce food miles and become more self-reliant with our food production, increasing the amount of food that is both grown and consumed in Maine from 10% to 30% by 2030.

This also relates to the new Ending hunger report from the state: Everyone at the Table: Maine's plan to end hunger by 2030
<https://legislature.maine.gov/bills/getTestimonyDoc.asp?id=10001228> – ANONYMOUS

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PFAS chemicals

Chip Curry: Hoping to see Sportsmen's Alliance of Maine be involved - deermeat with PFAS chemicals. A priority to build broad coalitions.

Agree!, Lissa here – ANONYMOUS

PFAS are polluting local farms, too! – ANONYMOUS

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How does each org promote itself?

Question from Jan Dodge. Are there other publications in addition to the Journal? Social media, yes... but remember our population is older and I encounter ppl who want a paper copy of my newsletter. Also challenges with skill level and internet connection.

Jon: Maybe we can get a grant through the GOPIF resilience program? Takes time and money.

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Maine Community Foundation grant - needs a lead organization! - Feb. 15

Chip, Jan: Are there grant writers who could help? Municipalities can apply for grants - City Council would have to approve.

Jan: Wendy Casten with Aging Well in Waldo County

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Rules for utilization of state money when doing projects that must include a climate element?

Jan's question. Unsure - will need to check!

Barbara: knows that DEP requires some component in every grant for climate change. Unsure about others.

Jan: Important to have that as part of policy

ABCD46 JAN 26, 2022 03:02PM

Climate to Thrive

This organization from Mount Desert Island could be a model for a Waldo County Climate Solutions organization.

- Brenda Harrington

A Climate to Thrive

ACTT interns wrapped up their vegan food guide for the island. This is a resource for all who choose to be vegan/vegetarian on a daily basis, or those who wish to try something new. The motivation for this project was driven by the destructive impacts animal agriculture has on the environment.

A CLIMATE TO THRIVE



Common themes toward a common vision

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Bringing people together around common values

Per Jerry Brand: Window Dressers; bringing people together who would not normally work together

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Maine Environmental Priorities Coalition Common Agenda 2022

<https://protectmaine.org/epc/priorities/2022>

Next steps?

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Building capacity -young leaders unite!

The Island Institute is hosting the 2022 Young Leaders Series featuring four virtual, interactive sessions exploring key aspects of leadership. Sessions are open to all high school and college students, as well as recent graduates. The 4-week series will offer participants the opportunity to actively take part in each discussion and also leave the sessions with a peer-reviewed action plan for creating change in their own communities. To register visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/young-leaders-series-2022-tickets-228939352767>

Young Leaders Series 2022

Eventbrite - Island Institute presents Young Leaders Series 2022 - Monday, February 7, 2022 - Find event and ticket information.

EVENTBRITE



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Maine Soil Health Technical Assistance Program

This is a collaborative effort of MOFGA, Maine's Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, and Cooperative Extension. It will provide grants to farmers wanting technical assistance for implementing soil health practices. The program kicks off in April with technical assistance. Grants will be made in the fall to help farmers implement the practices in the 2023 growing season. Stay tuned for an announcement with more detail soon.

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Cross collaboration through contact information, please.

Group name - contact person-email-website

Excited to imagine the impacts of these allies!! & :)

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Create a clearinghouse / portal for all our orgs; hold regular meetings; create baseline data

Per Greg Biddinger: Come up with a strategy together to map what everyone is doing. Creates partnerships, overlaps, collaboration, cooperation. Create a portal? / coordinated platform for info. Regular meetings? Have a set of baseline data. Understand economic value of elements of our natural landscape. This could all lead to citizens and businesses making better

decisions.

Sarah: Who do you think would create, maintain, lead this clearinghouse?

Rick: Creating a new org takes time and can be bureaucratic - so, start with what we have. Suggest the Library and ABCD may be best place to take leadership?

Brenda: All the web pages we've created do provide a clearinghouse to important reports & info although we don't list all the orgs yet.

Jan Dodge: Share skills - grant writing is often challenging!!!!

Peter Millard: Similar to the Maine Environmental Priorities Coalition of 37 organizations

Corliss: If we had this Waldo County org, imagine the legislative impact it could have to tell Jan Dodge, "all 17 orgs agree."

Chase is working to create Project Pollinator and hopes to work with MOFGA, Garden Club, others. Help people gain access to food, the outdoors, watching pollinators and birds. Create a central spot at the high school.

thank you everyone! below is a copy of the sheet that's going to be used for ordering plants and which plants we are planning on getting:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/12vEmH4j48mXofcHvUU7YOkjvS8YLBjqBL6PCWH5bWU/edit> - CHASE

in depth info about what i'm trying to achieve with help from the CCC at BAHS and others from the community

https://docs.google.com/document/d/11D9sZdGP-_Cz2WKv4DqZirDloqTXZ_p5kbqme_TBmA/edit - CHASE

additional info

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/12ElxkfJqVeoRqHd8JNPPZ8kb1doY6UBsdUUPNwaRGH8/edit> - CHASE

Thank you Chase! It looks like you will need to edit the access permissions on your Google docs so "Anyone with the link can view".

- ABCD46

thanks for letting me know! anyone who tried accessing the documents but was unsuccessful can now do so! - CHASE

Awesome. I love your vision and your plant list, Chase! You should definitely reach out to the Belfast Garden Club for collaboration, and I bet you could solicit plant donations from many local farmers and gardeners. Please feel free to reach out to me at Seaberry Hill Farm if you'd like some elderberry plant donations! Look forward to seeing your pollinator project come alive! ~Misty Mallar - ABCD46

thank you Misty! I think there's definitely a spot in our medicinals for some elderberry! i'm excited to see what our future for this project looks like. - CHASE

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Bulletin board? Newsletter? clearinghouse where everyone can share their programs and activities

Per Jon Beal

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EMAIL JON BEAL to stay involved! Send your ideas, visions. Thank you!

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