



**PRIVATE LANDS PARTNERS DAY**  
**Bangor, ME**  
**OCTOBER 3-5, 2017**  
**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**as of August 31**

**Day 1 – Cross Center**

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
4:00 -7:00 pm	Registration	
5:00 pm	Reception	
6:00 pm	Hors d'oeuvres & refreshments; Welcome	Jim Robbins, Robbins Lumber; Wendi Weber, USFWS Regional Director; Jim Stone, PFC Chairman

**Day 2 – North Woods Site Tours**

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
7:00 – 8:00 am	Registration at Cross Center	
8:00 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Greg Sheehan, Acting Director, USFWS Sen. Collins and Sen. King welcome videos
8:15 am	<i>This is Maine Video</i>	Landscape context with 4 conservation success stories
8:30 am	Break - Get ready for the field trip & load buses	
9:00 am – 4:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Penobscot River Restoration Project               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Howland Dam Fish Bypass</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Stream connectivity projects by partners</li> <li>• Katahdin Ironworks – Lunch               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Forest easements</li> <li>○ Carbon credit projects</li> <li>○ Public recreation on private lands</li> </ul> </li> <li>• AMC harvest operation</li> <li>• Clearcut – the “shifting mosaic,” lynx, birds, outcome-based forestry</li> </ul>	Itineraries and speakers vary by site and bus
4:30 -5:30 pm	Moosehead Lake cruise on the steamship <i>Katahdin</i> (optional)	
6:30 pm	Dinner	The Mill at Dover-Foxcroft; entertainment by Tim Sample, Maine Humorist

### Day 3 – Cross Center

Time	Topic	Speaker(s)
7:00 – 8:00 am	Registration	
8:00 am	Welcome	Steve Jester, PFC Executive Director; Sherry Huber, Keeping Maine's Forests
8:15 am	Conservation without conflict: opportunities for working together on risk species	Wendi Weber, USFWS Jimmy Bullock, NAFO
8:35 am	Maine Aquatic Connectivity Collaborative – partnerships that work for private forestry	Pat Sirois, SFI Maine and FIN; Alex Mas, TNC
9:00 am	Outcome-based Forestry: creating a landscape for lynx	Barry Burgason, Patrick Strauch, MFPC
9:30 am	<b>BREAK - Visit Displays</b>	
10:00 am	Cooperative Research Forestry Unit: long-term collaboration between landowners and UMaine School of Forest Resources	Gordon Gamble, CRFU Chair; Brian Roth, CFRU Director
10:30 am	Maine's successes with working forest easements (Forest Legacy, NAWCA, etc.)	Jim Robbins (landowner) and Spencer Myer, Highstead
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Keynote Speaker</b>	<b>Kathy Abusow, President and CEO SFI, Inc.</b>
11:30 am	<b>Lunch break</b>	
12:30 pm	Conservation without conflict: opportunities for working on at-risk species	Leonard Jordan, Acting Chief, NRCS
1:00 pm	At-risk species - New England Cottontail (CT)	Tom McAvoy (landowner)
1:30 pm	At-risk species - greater sage grouse partnership (OR)	Tom Sharp (landowner)
2:00 pm	Red-cockaded woodpecker and Longleaf pine (VA)	William Owen (landowner)
2:30 pm	<b>BREAK - Visit Displays</b>	
3:00 pm	Blackfoot Challenge	Jim Stone, Partners for Conservation and landowner
3:30 pm	Community engagement: community forests	David Montague, DLLT;
4:00 pm	Wrap-up of Conference. <i>Where do we go from here? Audience participation and feedback</i>	Kate Dempsey (TNC) facilitator, Lynn Scarlett, (TNC) closing remarks
5:00 pm	Reception and Auction	Jim Robbins, auctioneer
6:30 - 8:00 pm	Banquet (reserve time for last minute speaker)	Slideshow – photography by Paul Cyr