



*A Partnership to Restore and Protect the Sound*

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**Long Island Sound Study Executive Steering Committee (ESC)**  
**August 24, 2011 Meeting**

**Agenda Actions**

**Action Agenda**

1. The ESC approved the Action Agenda 2011-2013 with the following revisions:
  - a. In the Waters and Watersheds section an accomplishment will be added to describe the water quality monitoring of Long Island Sound.
  - b. The introduction will note the LISS Management Committee approval of the Action Agenda for ESC consideration and the ESC approval.
  - c. The ESC approved the following statement endorsing the Action Agenda.
    - i. *"Consistent with the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan, the Executive Steering Committee of the Long Island Sound Study endorses the Long Island Sound Study Action Agenda: 2011-2013 as a path forward to guide priority actions to improve water quality, restore habitat, conserve the land, maintain biodiversity, and increase opportunities for human use and enjoyment of the Sound."*

**Action Agenda Event**

1. The ESC agreed that the attendees of the September 6 press event in Greenwich, CT will announce and endorse the LISS Action Agenda: 2011-2013. No formal signing of the agreement or companion document is needed.
  - a. The LIS Office will take the lead in drafting a press release that highlights key points relating to the Action Agenda. The press release will be shared with EPA., NYSDEC, and CTDEEP press and program staff for quotes and review.

**2012 Work Plan and Budget**

1. The ESC agreed that the LISS Action Agenda: 2011-2013 establishes the LISS priorities for the 2012 work plan and budget. It was agreed that the EPA LIS Office would circulate the schedule and process for specific decisions on the FY 2012 work plan and budget.

Attendees: NYSDEC, Jim Tierney, Chris Amato, Lorraine Holdridge, Dawn McReynolds, Sarah Deonarine, Karen Chytalo, CTDEP: Betsey Wingfield, Brian Thompson, Mark Parker, Rob Hust, EPA R1: Lynne Hamjian, EPA R2: Kevin Bricke, John Filippelli, EPA LISO: Mark Tedesco, CAC: Curt Johnson, Nancy Seligson