

Conference Save the Date and Call for Abstracts

Please hold the dates: January 8-9, 2008

Lake Champlain: Our Lake, Our Future

The Lake Champlain Research Consortium (LCRC) and the Lake Champlain Basin Program (LCBP) are coordinating a conference to discuss current research, research applications, and future research priorities regarding the Lake Champlain Basin. The conference will be held on January 8th and 9th at the Sheraton Conference Center in Burlington, Vermont. The goal is to bring together the research community to share knowledge, identify needs, and enhance communication and collaboration, similar to the symposium held in Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Quebec in 2002.

The interdisciplinary conference will cover a broad range of topics. All individuals involved in research related to the Lake Champlain Basin are invited to submit abstracts for consideration as oral or poster presentations addressing, but not limited to, the following areas:

- Lake inputs – including atmospheric inputs, stream/watershed dynamics, effects of land use, municipal and industrial discharges
- In-lake processes – including hydrodynamics within and among basins, changes in water chemistry, presence/effects of toxins, structure and changes of aspects of the biological community such as plankton, benthos, aquatic vegetation, fishes, and lake-dependent terrestrial animals (birds, reptiles, amphibians, mammals), including the impact of nuisance and non-native species
- Human uses of lake attributes – including fisheries, direct and indirect links between the lake and local economy, cultural and historical resources

Oral presentations will be on Tuesday, January 8th and will be organized into topical sessions. Each presenter will be limited to 15 minutes. Wednesday, January 9th will be dedicated to a discussion of research priorities. Posters will be displayed throughout the conference, with designated poster sessions late Tuesday afternoon and early Wednesday morning.

To submit an abstract for consideration, please use the abstract submission form available on the LCRC website (<http://academics.smcvt.edu/lcrc/>), and submit the form electronically by Friday, November 2nd. Authors of accepted presentations will be invited to submit extended abstracts of roughly two-pages to be included in an LCBP Technical Report that will be available on the LCBP website (www.lcbp.org).

Registration details will be posted in November. The anticipated registration fee will be approximately \$100 for non-students and \$50 for students, inclusive of meals. The Sheraton also will be offering a special reduced rate for conference attendees who plan to stay overnight.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Doug Facey, LCRC at dfacey@smcvt.edu or Molly Michaud, LCBP at mmichaud@lcbp.org.