

# Climate Change in New England and Eastern Canada: Natural Resource Impacts and Adaptation Responses

*A Conference of New England Governors and  
Eastern Canadian Premiers (NEG/ECP) Symposium*

Suffolk University Law School  
Boston, Massachusetts

**Day One** : Monday, March 15, 2004

- 8:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 am **Welcome and Introductions**  
**Lisle Baker**, *Suffolk University Law School*  
**Doug Foy**, *Office for Commonwealth Development*  
**Robert Varney**, *U.S. EPA (New England)*
- 9:30 am **Key Note Address**  
“*Climate Change and Our Resources: Saving the Planet’s Biodiversity*”  
**David Suzuki**, *David Suzuki Foundation*
- 10:30 am Break
- 10:45 am **Plenary Session One**  
“*Climate Change 101*”  
**William Moomaw**, *Tufts University*  
**Alain Borque**, *Ouranos*  
**Barry Rock**, *University of New Hampshire*  
“*Water Resources: an Emerging Challenge*”  
**Joel Scheraga**, *Global Change Program, U.S. EPA*
- 12:15 pm Lunch
- 1:30 pm **Plenary Session Two**  
“*The Economic Impacts of Natural Resource System Stress*”  
**Valerie Sexton**, *Environment Canada*  
“*Tourism and Natural Resources:  
Concerns for New England and Eastern Canada*”  
**Daniel Scott**, *Waterloo University*
- 2:30 pm Break
- 2:45 pm **Concurrent Session A**  
“*Current and Forecast Climate Changes: Environmental and  
Economic Impacts on Northeast Natural Resources*”  
Session 1: Forests in a Changing Climate  
Panelists:  
**Mark Johnston**, *Saskatchewan Research Council*  
**Steven Hamburg**, *Brown University*  
Session 2: Fisheries in a Climate Changing World  
Panelists:  
**Michael J. Fogarty**, *NOAA, NMFS*  
**Susan Herrod-Julius**, *U.S. EPA*  
**Kim Hyatt**, *Fisheries and Oceans Canada*

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Session 3: Farming and Agriculture under Changing Climate Conditions

Panelists:

**Lewis H. Ziska**, *U.S. Dept. of Agriculture (ARS)*

**John Reilly**, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology*

Session 4: Biodiversity, Wildlife Health, and Wildlife's Responses to Climate Change

Panelists:

**Oswald J. Schmitz**, *Yale University*

**Kenneth D. Kimball**, *Appalachian Mt. Club*

Session 5: Coastal Zones under Changing Climate Conditions

Panelists:

**Donald L. Forbes**, *Geological Survey of Canada*

**Rebecca Eaton**, *World Wildlife Fund*

**James Neumann**, *Industrial Economics, Incorporated*

4:00 pm

Break

4:15 pm

**Concurrent Session B**

“Managing and Monitoring for Adaptation:  
Examples of Strategies and Methods for Assessing Success”

Session 1: Forests in a Changing Climate

Panelists:

**Peter Duinker**, *Dalhousie University*

**Barry Rock**, *University of New Hampshire*

**Matthew J. Kelty**, *University of Massachusetts*

Session 2: Fisheries in a Climate Changing World

Panelists:

**Robert J. Johnston**, *University of Connecticut*

**James Acheson**, *University of Maine*

**Norm Catto**, *Memorial University*

Session 3: Farming and Agriculture under Changing Climate Conditions

Panelists:

**Tim Perkins**, *University of Vermont*

**Jean-Louis Daigle**, *Eastern Canada Soil & Water Conservation Center*

Session 4: Biodiversity, Wildlife Health, and Wildlife's Responses to Climate Change

Panelists:

**David Leff**, *Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection*

**David Welch**, *Parks Canada*

Session 5: Coastal Zones under Changing Climate Conditions

Panelists:

**Réal Daigle**, *Environment Canada*

**Jon Kusler**, *Association of State Wetland Managers*

**Mark Bertness**, *Brown University*

5:30 pm

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**Day Two: Tuesday, March 16, 2004**

8:00 am Continental Breakfast

9:00 am **Welcome**  
**Sonia Hamel**, *MA Office for Commonwealth Development*

9:15 am **Plenary Session Three**

*“Undertaking Adaptation Actions – Overview”*

**Peter Hayes**, *ClimAdapt*

**Steven Ferrey**, *Suffolk Law School*

**Chris West**, *UK Climate Impacts Programme*

10:00 am Break

10:15 am **Concurrent Session C**

*“Looking for Solutions and Strategies”*

(Facilitated Discussions on solutions and coordinating strategies)

Session 1: Forests in a Changing Climate

Panelists:

**Greg Adams**, *JD Irving, Ltd.*

**Richard Birdsey**, *USDA Forest Service*

Session 2: Fisheries in a Climate Changing World

Panelists:

**Kenneth T. Frank**, *Department of Fisheries and Oceans*

**Pat White**, *Pew Oceans Commission*

Session 3: Farming and Agriculture under Changing Climate Conditions

Panelists:

**Adam Markham**, *Clean Air-Cool Planet*

**David Burton**, *Nova Scotia Agricultural College*

Session 4: Biodiversity, Wildlife Health, and Wildlife’s Responses to  
Climate Change

Panelists:

**Jay R. Malcolm**, *University of Toronto*

**Michael W. Klemens**, *Wildlife Conservation Society*

Session 5: Coastal Zones under Changing Climate Conditions

Panelists:

**Kim Hughes**, *New Brunswick Department of the Environment & Local Government*

**Susan Snow-Cotter**, *Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management Office*

## **Climate Change in New England and Eastern Canada: Natural Resource Impacts and Adaptation Responses**

12:15 pm      Lunch

1:30 pm      **Plenary Session Four - Closing Session**

*“Report on Solutions and Strategies”*

**Break-out Session Chairs**

*“Summary and Vision for the Future”*

**Robert Corell, American Meteorological Society**

3:30 pm      Conference Close