

**Adirondack Park  
Local Government Day Conference**

**Save the Date -- March 24-25, 2009**

**\* \* \* \* Topic Survey \* \* \* \***

*In an effort to bring you relevant and informative information, please take a moment to select as many topics of interest for the upcoming conference.*

*Please copy and share this list with other local officials so they can select their preferences. The selections will be used to set the conference agenda.*

***Presented by the  
Adirondack Park Agency in conjunction with the  
Adirondack Association of Towns and Villages,  
Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board,  
NYS Dept. of State,  
NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation,  
and the Empire State Development Corporation.***

**Adirondack Park Agency Issues**

- Question & answer period with APA Staff
- APA Map Amendments  Wetlands
- Enforcement  Jurisdiction
- State Land Issues / Process  Towers Policy
- APA Local Land Use Program Approval

**APA Flyer Series**

- Boat-houses  Gift Exemptions
- Boundary Line Adjust.  Guest Cottages
- Pre-Existing Subdivisions  Retaining Walls
- Structure Height  Shoreline Regs.
- Wild-Scenic-Recreational Rivers

**Dept. of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Issues**

Topics of interest: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Other NY State Agencies and issues:**

Dept. of Transportation issues: \_\_\_\_\_

Dept. of Health issues: \_\_\_\_\_

**Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Adirondack Park-Wide Issues:**

- Affordable Housing  Broadband
- Economic Development  Tourism
- Municipal Fiscal Policy  Erosion Control & Shoreline Stabilization
- Shoreline Development  2010 Census Prep
- Hillside Development  Energy Conservation
- Downtown redevelopment  Farmland protection
- Working with the Media  Invasive Species

**State Lands/Easement Lands - Use and Policy**

- Boat Launch Improvements
- Public Use of Easement Lands
- Recent Court Cases Involving State Land Issues
- Snowmobile - Trail Use, Planning and Maintenance
- State Land Acquisition & Classification Policies
- Unit Management Plans (UMP's)

**Reports from:**

- Adirondack Community Smart Growth Grants
- Adirondack Regional Assessment Project
- Common Ground Alliance-Blueprint for/the Blue Line
- Energy Smart Park Initiative
- Legislative Views on Property Taxes
- Local Government Assistance Project, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs and Policy
- Local Government Efficiency and Competitiveness
- Scenic Byways Corridor Management Plans

**Dept. of State (DOS) Training Courses**

- Adopting and Amending Zoning
- Community Design Tools
- Comprehensive Plan
- Conduct Effective Meetings and Hearings
- Conservation Subdivision
- Creating Quality Communities: Tools and Strategies
- Enforcement of Zoning and other Local Laws
- Ethical Standards for Planning and Zoning Boards
- Freedom of Information Request (FOIR)
- Intermunicipal Agreements
- Land Use Moratoria
- Making a Good Record: Minutes, Finding, Decisions
- Open Space Planning
- Planned Unit Developments (PUD's)
- Planning and Zoning Case Law
- Planning Board Overview
- SEQRA
- Site Plan Review & Special Use Permits
- Smart Growth Principles
- Subdivision Review
- Unraveling the Mystery of the Use Variance
- Working with Applicants
- Zoning Board of Appeals Overview

**DOS Mock Hearings**

- Open Meetings and Hearings – “They can’t do that!”
- Site Plan Review  Wind Energy Systems
- ZBA Hearing for:  Area Variance,  Use Variance

**DOS Hot Button Issues:**

- Outdoor Wood Boilers  Sign Control
- Unwanted Land Uses  Storage Containers

- Other Topics:**  Grants  GIS Training
- Downtown Revitalization  License or Zone?

**Other Suggestions:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Form submitted by: _____ Title: _____ Town/Village: _____
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