

**Southeastern Equestrian Trails Conference - SETC 2006**  
**Working Together for Trails in a Changing Environment**  
**Collaborative Adaptive Management of Trail Systems**

**Thursday, August 3 Pre-Conference Workshop:**

**Equestrian Facilities Design, Operations & Maintenance**

8:00 am	All Day	Camp and developed Trail Head tour- Bus departs hotel for New River Trail State Park
2:00 pm – 7:00 pm		Registration Open
2:00 pm – 5:30 pm		Exhibit Set-up
		Grand Ballroom Foyer and Conference Room
6:00pm – 7:30pm		Light Reception in Foyer in front of the Grand Ball Room and around exhibit area Cash bar & hors d'oeuvres

**Friday, August 4 Sessions will be held in the Grand Ball Room**

7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Registration open	Foyer in front of Grand Ball Room
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast Buffet	Foyer in front of Grand Ball Room

**Morning Session**

8:30 Introductions and acknowledgements: Gene Hansen, President, Virginia Horse Council

8:40 Welcome: Russ Baxter, DCR Deputy Director

8:45 Welcome Address: The Honorable L. Preston Bryant, Jr., Virginia Secretary of Natural Resources

9:00 Introduction to Collaborative Adaptive Management of Trail Systems  
Henry Hickerson, Deputy Forest Supervisor, George Washington & Jefferson National Forest

9:15 Keynote speaker: Charles M. Myers, Region 8 Forester, USDA Forest Service, Atlanta  
Collaborative Adaptive Management and its Importance for Trail Systems on All Public Lands.

*10:00 - 10:15 Break – Exhibits open*

10:15 Virginia Highlights on Collaborative Projects: Joe Elton, State Parks Director, Virginia State Parks

11:00 The Dollars and Sense of Trails, Trails and Tourism: Sandra Tanner, Tourism, Development Specialist, Southside Region, Virginia Tourism Corporation

11:30 Congressman Bob Goodlatte (VA-06)

*12:00 Buffet Lunch (Shenandoah Room)*

**Afternoon session**

1:00 Collaborative Partnerships in Trails Management: Rick Potts, Director for Recreation, National Park Service, Washington, DC.

1:45 Back Country Problems and Solutions: Jeffrey L Marion, PhD, Scientist, US Geological Survey at Virginia Tech

2:45 *Break – Exhibits open*

- 3:00 Sustainable Trail Design and Maintenance: Rich Edwards, IMBA Solutions
- 4:00 Resolving Conflicts between Users and Agencies in Pennsylvania: Bud and Gwen Wills of the PA Equine Council
- 4:30 The Image of the Horse & Rider in Society:  
Georgiana Hubbard McCabe, President, Equestrian Land Conservation Resource (ELCR)  
James B. Miller, Board Member, Equestrian Land Conservation Resource
- 5:00 *Break – Exhibits open*
- 5:30 *Buffet Dinner (Shenandoah Room)*

### **Evening Session**

- 6:30 Promoting the SETC Philosophy of Trail Stewardship: Facilitators: Jim Miller, ELCR, and Bob Munson, Planning Bureau Manager, Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation  
An interactive session to share ideas, brainstorm options, and develop strategies to promote trail stewardship.  
*(Dessert and refreshments served in the Grand Ball Room)*

### **Saturday, August 5 Sessions will be held in the Grand Ball Room**

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| 7:00 am– 9:00 am  | Registration open      | (Foyer in Front of Grand Ballroom) |
| 7:00 am – 8:00 am | Breakfast Buffet       | (Foyer in Front of Grand Ballroom) |
| 9:00 am– 3:00 pm  | Information Table open |                                    |

### **Morning Session**

- 8:15 Call to Order: Moderator: Brian Bourne  
Morning Announcements
- 8:30 National Economic Impact Study of the US Horse Industry: Jay Hickey, President, American Horse Council
- 9:00 Forest Service Southern Region Trails Update: Debbie Caffin, US Forest Service, Wilderness/Dispersed Recreation Specialist, Atlanta
- 9:30 A Case Example of Recreational Horse Trail Management in the Gospel Hump Wilderness, Idaho:  
Ian Barlow, Packer. Nez Perce NF, Idaho
- 10:15 *Break – Exhibits open*
- 10:30 A Celebration of Collaboration in East Tennessee: Tom Isaacs, Back Country Horsemen of East Tennessee
- 11:00 Federal Highway Administration Recreational Trails Program: Christopher Douwes, Trails and Enhancements Program Manager, FHWA, DC
- 11:45 Q&A Session with morning speakers
- 11:55 Special Presentation: Bobby Anderson, President, South Carolina Horsemen’s Council
- 12:00 *Buffet Lunch – Shenandoah Room*

### **Afternoon Session**

- 1:00 Collaborative Adaptive Management Planning Process for Recreation on the SC State Forests:  
Jennie H. Morris, Director of Education and Information Technology, SC Forestry Commission

Current Issues and Collaborative Projects in the SETC Region:

- 1:45 Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail: Paul Carson, Superintendent (VA, NC, SC, TN)
- 2:15 Cooperation Improves Public Trails in Georgia: Larry L. Wheat, Director, Georgia Pinhoti Trail Association
- 2:30 *Break – Exhibits open.*
- 2:45 Meadowood Special Recreation Management Area - A Collaborative Success Story  
Jinx Fox, Natural Resources Specialist, Bureau of Land Management (BLM)  
Brian Purdy, Mason Neck Equestrian Coalition
- 3:00 Virginia - Collaborative Efforts in Building Trail System in Virginia Beach Area:  
Barry Frankenfield, Administrator, Design and Development Division, Virginia Beach, Va.  
Melvin Atkinson, Rural Community Coordinator, City of Va. Beach Agriculture Department
- 3:15 Maryland – Proposal for the Great Eastern Horse Trail: Peggy Bree, Maryland Horse Council
- 3:30 Q&A Session with Afternoon Speakers
- 3:45 SETC 2007 - When & Where: Joanne G. Mitchell, Planning Committee
- 4:00 Closing Remarks
- 4:15 Adjourn