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New York State Association of Conservation Commissions (NYSACC) Conference on the Environment, September 18-20

WATERTOWN, NEW YORK - The Tug Hill Commission invites interested municipalities, organizations, and citizens to attend the 2024 NYSACC Conference on the Environment, to be held on September 18-20, 2024. Wednesday, September 18 will include virtual presentations and an in-person social hour at Woodland Farm Brewery in Boonville. Thursday, September 19 will consist of field trips in the Boonville and Lyons Falls areas, followed by an in-person conference reception at the Hayloft at Moonshine Farm. The conference reception and Tug Hill Commission's annual dinner are one and the same this year. Friday, September 20 will include one morning field trip at Trenton Falls.

The Tug Hill Commission is hosting this year's conference for the New York State Association of Conservation Commissions, an independent, 501(c)(3) not-for-profit education organization that provides leadership in the development of vital environmental programs for cities, towns, and villages throughout New York. This year's event presents an opportunity for participants to engage with a diverse spectrum of stakeholders working in areas related to renewable energy, natural resources economy, the environment, and recreation and tourism. The conference's theme is "using a grassroots approach to engage, support, and assist community actions that balance conservation and rural development." The goal is to provide numerous opportunities to learn about projects and initiatives in the Tug Hill region and how they can be applied statewide. The conference field trips will highlight how conservation, renewable energy, history, and natural resources economy play an important role for the Tug Hill communities. All conference details can be found here: www.nysacc.net/2024-coe.

Full conference registration is \$75 and includes the virtual conference, Thursday's field trip with lunch included, Friday's field trip, in-person social hour, and the conference reception. The virtual day of presentations registration fee for participants starts at \$25, with free student registration and a discounted rate for veterans and seniors. Registration can be completed online at www.tinyurl.com/NYSACC-Conference-Registration. Please register by the close of business on Wednesday, September 4, 2024.