

GRANTEE QUARTERLY REPORT

Grant Number: 2012-04

Grant Title: Support for Understanding Land Use and Climate Change in the Appalachian LCC

Grant Receipt: NatureServe

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Report #1 For the Period May 15-June 30, 2012

Were planned goals/objectives achieved last quarter?

Yes, for the most part. We have made significant progress in recruiting the Expert Panel and plan to finalize membership next quarter.

Progress Achieved: (For each goal/objective, list planned and actual accomplishments and findings)

Our goals are to:

1. Provide recommendations to the Appalachian LCC regarding climate change vulnerability methods most appropriately used in the AppLCC region.
2. Apply the recommended methods to conduct climate change vulnerability assessments on selected species and habitats in the AppLCC

We will accomplish this through the following objectives:

A. Assemble Expert Panel (Target completion date June 30, 2012)

Planned: Upon finalization of contract between NatureServe and WMI, solicit guidance from AppLCC regarding most appropriate members of Expert Panel, draft and receive approval of charter for Expert Panel members; contact potential members, and finalize Expert Panel.

Actual: NatureServe – WMI contract finalized May 30, 2012. Drafted charter and submitted to AppLCC for review. Received recommendation from AppLCC Coordinator to solicit Patrick Gonzales (NPS) and Kim Hall (TNC). Patrick Gonzales declined due to previous commitments; Kim Hall has tentatively accepted pending review of draft charter, as have Erika Rowland of WCS and Dr. Healey Hamilton of UC Berkeley and Sound Science, and Kyle Barrett of University of Georgia. Hector Galbraith of Manomet agreed to be a member of the Expert Panel and to facilitate recruitment. He is in the process of contacting Terry Root for additional recommendations.

B. Finalize Expert Panel; Compile existing methods (Target completion date September 30, 2012)

Planned: none this quarter

Actual:

C. Compile existing vulnerability assessments (Target completion date December 31, 2012)

Planned: none this quarter

Actual:

D. Review existing methods and determine best approach (Target completion date March 31, 2013)

Planned: none this quarter

Actual:

E. Select species and habitats to be assessed (Target completion date June 30, 2013)

Planned: none this quarter

Actual:

F. Conduct vulnerability assessments of species and habitats (Target completion date March 31, 2014)

Planned: none this quarter

Actual:

G. Deliver Draft and Final Report (Target completion date April 30, 2014)

Planned: none this quarter

Actual:

Costs:

Are you within the approved budget plan? Yes

Are you within approved budget categories? Yes

Signature:

Date: