

NOVA SCOTIA ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK

Environmental Input on Tidal Power Workshop

Wednesday, March 19, 2008

AGENDA

8:30-9:00 AM – *Registration and Coffee & Welcome Snack*

9:00-9:30 AM – *Welcome and Introductions* (Kelly McRae and Tamara Lorincz, NSEN, and Lisa Mitchell, Stakeholder Roundtable)

9:30-10:45 AM – *Panel on the Fundy Tidal Energy SEA Process & An Overview of the Strategic Environmental Assessment*

(Environmental Representatives on the Fundy Tidal Energy SEA Stakeholder Roundtable)

- Lisa Mitchell, Nova Scotia Environmental Network
- Art MacKay, Sierra Club
- John Scott, Partnership for Sustainable Development of Digby Neck
- Simon Melrose, Ecology Action Centre/Oceans Ltd.

10:45-11:00 AM – *Sunshine Break*

11:00-12:00 PM – *Question and Answer Discussion*

12:00-12:45 PM – *Lunch* (Gourmet organic, vegetarian and vegan lunch)

12:45 – 1:15 PM – *Working Group Explanation*
(Lisa Mitchell, Stakeholder Roundtable)

1:15 – 2:45 PM – *Break Out: Working Groups* (Small Groups – Scribes to take notes)

- Strategic Environmental Assessment
- Valued ecological components
- Legal and regulatory framework
- Impacts and benefits for the community
- Energy, technology and power providers

2:45-3:00 PM – *Sunshine Break*

3:00-3:30 PM – *Report Back* (Large Group)

3:30-3:45 PM – *Closing: Evaluation and Draw Prizes*

Purpose:

The purpose of the NSEN workshop is to bring NSEN members and other interested representatives of environmental and health groups across Nova Scotia together to learn about and provide input to the Fundy Tidal Energy SEA Process. The views of the participants will be compiled into a research report that will be submitted to the OEER Technical Advisory Group as part of their final report. Participants will receive a package of background documents in advance of the workshop.

Participants & Costs:

This NSEN workshop is free but space is limited. NSEN members and interested representatives of environmental and health groups across Nova Scotia are encouraged to attend.

Participants must also RSVP to ensure a seat and lunch by Monday, March 17. Please let us know of any special needs. Space limited. To attend, please RSVP to Tamara at nSEN@cen-rce.org

What to Bring:

For networking purposes, please bring your business cards and copies of your organization's material to distribute.

Location:

Nova Scotia Public Archives, 6016 University Avenue, Halifax

Tel: (902) 424-6060

(Brown brick building located on the corner of Robie St. and University Ave.)

Wheelchair accessible.

Getting to the Nova Scotia Public Archives:

Participants are encouraged to walk, bus, bike or carpool to the event.

By Bus:

Within the Halifax Regional Municipality, there are many buses to get you to this location. For more information about bus service, please call Metro Transit Information line at (902) 490-4000.

Carpooling:

Please call NSEN if you can offer carpooling or if you need a ride.

Driving:

The Nova Scotia Public Archives is a brick building located on the corner of Robie St. and University Ave. on the Dalhousie Campus and across the street from the IWK Grace Hospital. Please see Map Quest for the exact location of the Nova Scotia Public Archives: <http://www.mapquest.com>

Parking:

Hourly parking is available at the IWK Grace Hospital located across the street from the Archives. The IWK Grace parking garage uses an automated parking system. When you enter into the garage you will receive an Entry Ticket. PLEASE TAKE THIS TICKET WITH YOU. You are required to pay your parking fee at an automated pay station located in the IWK Gallery (which looks like a banking machine) before returning to your car to leave the garage. Once your Entry Ticket is validated by the pay station as paid, you simply place the paid ticket on the ticket reader at the exit and the gate will rise

automatically. Once you pay for parking, you have 20 minutes to exit the parking lot. All day parking costs approximately \$9 (We may be able to subsidize this cost).

Travel Subsidies:

NSEN can help offset travel costs including accommodations for members. Mileage rate is \$0.30/km. Travel subsidies are limited. Please keep track of your receipts.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact:

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