

## **DRAFT AGENDA – January, 2020**

### **SG CS Network Meeting**

**May 12 – 14, 2020**

**Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve, Wells, ME**

#### **Monday, May 11**

- Travel and arrival
- Dinner at a local restaurant

#### **Tuesday, May 12**

- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at Alheim Commons
- 9:00 am Welcome, 3-day agenda overview, and meeting launcher
- 10:00 am Building the Network – past, present, and future
  - How did we get here? Overview of visioning process and Network launch
  - Where are we now? Review of Network activities, products, and partners.
  - Report from NOAA CS April meeting
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Where do we want to go in the future? planning next steps for the Network drawing on our vision
  - What's the life cycle of a network at SG?
  - What do we want the CS Network to do? Or to be?
    - Short-term tangible objectives that start with existing vision's focus on creating inclusive and equitable programs that effectively engage diverse participants and partners
- 11:30 Challenges and Opportunities discussion – could divide into groups or pick 4 topics to discuss.
  - Draft Topics:
    - Improving credibility of CS data and its use in research
    - Volunteer recruitment and retention
    - Evaluation of learning
    - Best practices and how hurdles have been overcome (safety and liability, for training volunteers, tracking impacts, how to find extramural funding, connecting community science with civic engagement)
    - How to include volunteers from diverse backgrounds

- Ethics in CS – informed consent and data ownership and use agreements
- 12:30 pm Lunch at Alheim Commons – inside or out
- 1:30 pm Sharing the Wealth – *Transferring CS programs across the Network*
- 3:00 pm Tour of Wells Reserve at Laudholm Farm
  - Guided trail walk to Laudholm beach for intro to Southern Maine Beach Profile Monitoring and Maine Healthy Beaches (invited) programs
- 5:00 pm Down-time
- 6:00 pm Dinner at a local restaurant

### **Wednesday, May 13**

- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at Alheim Commons
- 9:00 am Welcome, today's agenda overview, and meeting launcher
- 9:30 am What IS CS anyway? And who are our partners?
  - Is Collaborative Fisheries CS?
    - Special guests: John McLaughlin and Laura Oremland, and representatives from NOAA Fisheries
- 12:30 pm Lunch at Alheim Commons
  - Hot topic lunch – is there a topic you want to discuss with other CS colleagues? Such as CS and invasive species? Informally lunch groups by topic (self-select groups)
- 1:30 pm Teaming up for a CS Network publication
- 2:45 pm Break
- 3:00 pm Signs of the Season – a Maine Phenology program
  - Field trip for intro to Maine Signs of the Seasons Phenology Program (invited)
- 5:00 pm Down-time
- 6:00 pm Dinner at a local restaurant

## **Thursday, May 14**

- 8:00 am Continental breakfast at Alheim Commons
- 9:00 am Welcome, today's agenda overview, and meeting launcher
- 9:15 am Creating a SG CS program platform
  - followed by continuation of SG CS publication discussion if necessary
- 11:00 am Break
- 11:15 am Citizen Science Association + CS Network Meeting in 2021 – how to?
- 12:00 pm Coastal Research Volunteers – CS in NH
  - Field trip to New Hampshire Coastal Research Volunteer sites (invited)
- 3:00 pm Wrap-up from the field