

Appendix 5 - Invitation to Design Team Meeting October 2, 2008

The date for our first Design Team meeting has been set for Thursday evening, October 2, 2008 at 7:00 pm and will be held at the Mt Sequoyah Conference and Retreat Center's Cafeteria. Directions to the meeting location can be found on the Center's website:

<http://www.mountsequoyah.org/Home.html> (the Cafeteria is Building #41 on their map).

If you would please, prepare for the work by reading the document "Green Infrastructure: Smart Conservation for the 21st Century" found at the following link:

http://www.conservationfund.org/sites/default/files/GI_SC21C.pdf This monograph concisely summarizes the main Green Infrastructure text: [Green Infrastructure: Linking Landscapes and Communities](#).

Our agenda in brief: we will be looking at some basic concepts of Green Infrastructure Planning, hearing from representatives of the communities in the study area regarding Green Infrastructure issues and areas of interest, and organizing ourselves to gather public input and to produce the Green Infrastructure network maps and reports that will later be compiled into our finished products.

Here's to our collaborative effort!

Cheers,
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"Green Infrastructure is our nation's life support system - an interconnected network of waterways, wetlands, woodlands, wildlife habitats, and other natural areas; greenways, parks and other conservation lands; working farms, ranches and forests; and wilderness and other open spaces that support native species, maintain natural ecological processes, sustain air and water resources and contribute to the health and quality of life for America's communities and people." USDA Forest Service, Green Infrastructure Working Group's definition of Green Infrastructure.