

## ***The Future of Water Workshop Series 2011*** ***"Developing responsible leaders"***

### **Striking a Balance:** **Growth and Watershed Protection on the Avalon Peninsula**

Residential Workshop, June 3-5, 2011  
Manuels, Newfoundland



Are you a passionate change-maker aged 18-35 years?



Are you concerned about the future of St. John's and the surrounding region?



Do you want to gain insight, tools, and connections to help bring about truly sustainable development?

### **Organized by *Waterlution* – A Water Learning Experience**

In partnership with the Northeast Avalon ACAP, Northeast Avalon Regional Economic Development Board and the Suncor Energy Fluvarium

### **Purpose of the Workshop:**

Newfoundland and Labrador is poised to lead Canada in economic growth this year. Booming industries foreshadow new wealth for the province. But as communities and industries flourish, water resources are stressed and those same stakeholders' livelihoods threatened. How can we learn from other provinces and each other to effectively manage our water and guide Newfoundland towards a truly sustainable, prosperous future?

"Striking a Balance" is a two-and-a-half day residential workshop for up and coming leaders in the region, aged 18-35 years. The program will focus specifically on the Northeast Avalon Region with the goal of building its capacity to effectively manage economic growth and resource protection by developing strong, informed future leaders with a commitment to and passion for healthy watersheds. Through experiential field tours, interactive dialogue sessions, mentoring and visioning exercises, the group will learn about the development-protection interface while envisioning sustainable management solutions across generations, sectors and cultures. **Don't miss this opportunity to meet local organizations and individuals leading the way in sustainable development, and youth peers who are ready to join you as tomorrow's smart decision makers!**



**What is a “residential workshop”?** A residential workshop is a unique learning opportunity where participants stay at an off-site location and engage in collaborative exploration of complex issues through interactive experiences and facilitated dialogue sessions.

### Location:

The workshop will be held at Circle Square Ranch Manuels ([www.csranch.ca/manuels/](http://www.csranch.ca/manuels/)), located just 26 km drive outside of St. John's. Participants will stay for two nights in the accommodation provided by Waterlution. Meals and activity costs are included in the \$40 registration fee (please see “Cost of Participation”, Page 3).

### Workshop Agenda:

The following is the current agenda for the weekend. *Please note that it is subject to change.*

#### TENTATIVE PROGRAM\*:

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##### Friday, June 3:

- 4:30pm - Meet at the Suncor Energy Fluvarium; initial intros and big picture overview of watershed processes
- 6:30pm - Depart for Circle Square Ranch
- 6:45pm – En-route exploratory visit to Paradise, led by Dan Ficken of NAACAP. Here, the group will learn firsthand about water quality, how it's measured, and the effects of urban sprawl and encroachment on water health; followed by discussion and case study activity.
- 7:15pm - Arrive at camp; settle in
- 8:00pm - Icebreaker facilitated activities and introduction by Waterlution facilitators, Tori and Rob
- 8:45pm – Opening address and overview of key regional issues by resident mentor Don Quigley of NAACAP

##### Saturday, June 4:

- 7:30am - Breakfast at camp
- 8:30pm - Resource guest presentation and Peer Mentor Session, followed by discussion
- 9:30pm - Depart for first field tour location: guided tour of Incinerator Road proposed quarry development site, led by the Kelligrews Ecological Enhancement Program
- 11:00am - Depart for second field tour location (to be announced)
- 1:00pm - Arrive back to camp; lunch; down time to check out on-site water conservation and recycling initiatives
- 2:30pm - World Cafe dialogue with special resource guests representing key industry, First Nations, policy and environment groups
- 5:30pm - Down time with canoeing option
- 6:30pm - Dinner at camp
- 7:30pm – Peer Mentor Session with special guest Justin Dearing of MI Ocean Net
- 8:00pm – Live entertainment and socializing / bonfire

##### Sunday, June 5:

- 8:00am - Breakfast at camp
- 9:00am - Open Space Dialogue Session
- 11:00am - Group visioning: “Towards sustainable growth in the Northeast Avalon region”
- 12:30pm – Lunch and short film screening
- 1:30pm - Speed networking and closing
- 2:30pm - Depart for home

**Take advantage of extended learning and networking opportunities!** The Waterlution experience reaches beyond the scope of the workshop. After the weekend, participants will join the over 800 members nationwide using the online Waterlution Community Network to share resources and news.

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## Who should apply?

This workshop is open to anyone living in Newfoundland and Labrador, aged 18-35 years. There is space for 20 participants. In an effort to foster broad dialogue, we are looking for applicants representing diverse backgrounds (e.g. government, Aboriginal communities, industry, academic, NGOs, etc). Participants do not need to be experts in water issues - all applicants with an interest in regional sustainable development will be considered.

## How to apply:

If you are interested in participating in the workshop, please go to [www.waterlution.org/workshops](http://www.waterlution.org/workshops) and click on this workshop. Hit the "Apply Now" button below the workshop description, and get started! You will be required to include information on personal/professional experience relevant to water resource management, multi-stakeholder dialogue, and general involvement in your community. If you have any questions, please contact Tori Goodday, Waterlution Program Manager and workshop host at [tori@waterlution.org](mailto:tori@waterlution.org) or 514 291 0291.

## Cost of participation:

Participants accepted into the workshop are required to pay a \$40 participation fee. Aside from this fee, there are no additional costs to participants during the residential workshop period related to accommodation, meals, or otherwise. Successful applicants may pay by cash or cheque. **All cheques should be made payable to Waterlution – A Water Learning Experience. Please mail to: Waterlution, 50 Old Mill Rd, Suite 401. L6J 7W1. Oakville, Ontario.** Only with receipt of your registration fee is your space confirmed. Applicants who cannot afford this fee should make note of this in their applications. Waterlution supports outstanding individuals and cost will not be a barrier to participation.

This is the sixth year of the Future of Water Workshop Series.  
For more information on previous workshops and their outcomes, visit  
[www.waterlution.org](http://www.waterlution.org)

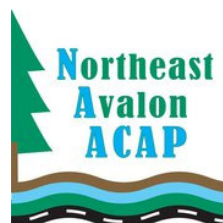
**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS MAY 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**Apply now at [www.waterlution.org/workshops](http://www.waterlution.org/workshops)**

The demand for this workshop is high, so get your application in as soon as possible!  
Contact Tori Goodday with questions at  
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