

# 2007 Northeast Michigan Great Lakes and Aquatic Education Networking Meeting

*“Fostering School and Community Partnerships toward Great Lakes Stewardship”*

Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Visitor Center  
November 1, 2007 – Alpena, MI

## Agenda

- 9:00 Welcome & Introductions
- 9:30 Review 2006 Regional Networking Summit & 2007 Meeting Overview/Objectives
- 9:45 GLFT Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative: Opportunity and focus for 2007 Regional Networking Workshop
- a. Place-Based Education (PBE) Overview
  - b. Community Projects/Partners
  - c. Professional Development Opportunities
  - d. Potential Future Funding Resources
- 10:30 BREAK**
- 10:45 Exploring PBE Community Project and Partner Opportunities in NE MI:
- a. Fisheries (Project FISH, DNR, USFWS)
  - b. Watersheds/Habitats (Huron Pines/Ocqueoc River Comm./Onaway Schools)
  - c. Cultural/History/Heritage (NOAA TBNMS)
  - d. Coastal Access, Tourism, and Economic Development (NEMCOG, Sea Grant)
- 12:30 LUNCH**
- Afternoon, facilitated discussion exploring interest in PBE-related work and local/regional project and planning opportunities...
- 1:00 Facilitated Breakout Sessions: Small groups, county/school/teacher focused:
- ...school's/teacher's level of interest in engaging in PBE-related work?
  - ...teachers share/discuss projects you're doing or might be interested in doing?
  - ...any projects/opportunities from morning discussion of interest to you?
  - ...do additional community partners/resources/project development opportunities exist?
  - ...immediate support, resources, professional development needs teachers/schools may need to proceed?
- 2:30 Reconvene (Full Group) – share-out as larger group, feedback, discussion.
- 3:00 Regional Capacity Building/Planning/Coordination Opportunities (Full Group)
- Regional coordination/support needs and opportunities (future planning needs?)
  - Resource/funding development opportunities (grants, professional development, or other opportunities on the horizon?)
  - “Next Steps” Discussion -- Is this regional forum useful? ...interest in continuing this type of “networking/resource sharing” meeting? ...other opportunities?
- 4:00 ADJOURN**