

Thank you! 2022 Atlantic Reclamation Conference ARC2022

November 8 – 10, 2022 Cox Institute Dalhousie Agricultural Campus Truro, NS Organized by the Canadian Land Reclamation Association, Atlantic Chapter.

Dear Sponsors, Delegates, and Volunteers,

On behalf of the Atlantic Chapter of the Canadian Land Reclamation Association, the co-chairs of the conference, Abby van der Jagt and Bob Pett, would like to thank the delegates, sponsors, moderators, and presenters for their contributions and participation at the 2022 Atlantic Reclamation Conference (ARC2022). This year, held at the Cox Institute on Dalhousie University's Agricultural campus in Truro, Nova Scotia, the conference included two opening plenary speakers, one half-day field trip, two days of presentations, as well as posters and lots of great networking opportunities.

Welcoming remarks delivered by co-chairs Abby van der Jagt and Bob Pett who acknowledged the unceded indigenous territory the conference was taking place on, a very brief history of the treaties signed and that we are all treaty people. Congratulations were also extended to the 2021 winners of the IN-TECH Reclamation awards for both group and individual, both from our region. Bob Pett for individual award and NS Lands for group award. The IN-TECH Reclamation Award is presented to an individual and/or group in recognition of outstanding contributions of professional practise, teaching, research and/or regulatory development as they relate to innovation within the profession of land reclamation in Canada. More information about these and the other CLRA Awards can be found at www.clra.ca/awards/. Nominations for 2023 awards will be open to December 31, 2022.

There were 20 presentations over two days consecutively in one lecture room. Sponsor booths and posters were in a classroom next



door where many of the 50 delegates in attendance could enjoy more learning and networking during scheduled breaks. Presentations ranged in topics from Salt March Restoration, Freshwater Habitat Restoration, Legacy Mine Tailings, Coastal Marine Habitats, and several sessions on Innovative Tools and Techniques. Many of these presentations will be available to view on the Atlantic Chapter's website. (www.atlanticclra.ca)

We would like to thank our generous sponsors; NS Lands, Maritime Hydroseed, Triton Environmental Consultants, AGAT Laboraties, AECOM, and SGI. Because of their contributions we were able to offer student registrations below cost, keep member rates low, offer 2023 CLRA Membership to all non-member registration fees. Posters were presented by: Liam Hill, and Jenna Campbell. We also received posters from Emily Baker and Maka Ngulube. Student speakers were: Michael Smith, and David Lewis, all from Saint Mary's University. They were excellent presentations and the students represented their school admirably. Sponsor logos will remain on the Atlantic website in the ARC2022 tab. Thank you to our sponsors!

The field tour was a great addition on the third day of the conference, Thursday November 10th. The Truro-Onslow Dyke Realignment and Tidal Wetland Restoration Project was a short drive away from the conference location. There was participation from 14 delegates who slid across newly deposited sediment while reviewing landmarks of the changing landscape of a former farmer's field being returned to the tide. It was a great way to see the implementation and approaches presented on Tuesday by Jennie Graham and Kirsten Ellis from CBWES who sponsored the field tour.

As co-chairs Bob and I would also like to thank and congratulate the conference organizing team for a successful conference and for all their time and emotional commitment to this event.

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We hope that all participants enjoyed and benefitted from the presentation, the networking, discussions, field trip, and the after hours socializing. We would appreciate any feedback, comments, or input about the event so we can continue to improve and increase the success of future conferences and events. Keep an eye on the website for future events. Thank you again for your continued support of the activities of the Atlantic Chapter of the Canadian Land Reclamation Association.

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