

**NE Chapter River Management Society – 2011 Work Plan**

**RMS Mission:** *To support professionals who study, protect, and manage North America’s rivers.*

**Note:** This work plan is being developed using the National RMS work plan as a model – will be additionally amended to suit the needs of the NE Chapter by its Executive Committee and State Stewards in October 2010.

**Goal 1: Professional Development – Encourage career-long learning and leadership in river management and science.**

<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Actions</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Responsibility and Deadline</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Objective:</b> Provide a specific array of professional development services (indicated by a member survey) available to those exploring or employed in the field of river management	Help with publicity/registration for Interagency Workshop in May 2011.	Promote Interagency Meeting to local RMS members and colleagues.	All and Jan, April e-newsletters	Na	On-going until April
	Host events in a variety of locations around the chapter	1) DC area 2) NY area 3) Upper New England area			
	Personally solicit chapter volunteers to plan and lead activities			Na	
	Provide content to Chapter website as part of National RMS website.			Na	

**Goal 2: Information – Promote development and sharing of information and knowledge about river ecosystems and their management.**

Objectives	Actions	Responsibility	Deadline	Budget	Status
Objective: Increase recognition of RMS as a leading source of information about rivers and river management with identified media, organizations, and agencies	Submit articles for National RMS Journal and for 2011 NE focus newsletters		2/1, 5/1, 8/1, 11/1	Na	
	Publicize NE RMS activities in media venues where and when activities occur.	All for local events		Na	

**Goal 3: Education – Advance the use of science and research in river policy formulation, decision making, and management.**

Objectives	Actions	Responsibility	Deadline	Budget	Status
Objective: Promote policies complementary to the RMS mission by networking with other professional entities and agencies – support the use of credible, compelling and state-of-the-art research, science and data.	Select and schedule meeting with at least one professional society/entity and exchange information.	All			
	Invite members of a professional society/entity to participate in one event.	All			

**Goal 4: Capacity Building – Enhance the organization’s ability to achieve its mission.**

Objectives	Actions	Responsibility	Deadline	Budget	Status
Objective: Retain existing members and active marketing to recruit new members.	Organize and hold at least two chapter activities.	All			
	Provide chapter updates to RMS nat'l journal	Liz	Check deadlines		
	Send e-bulletin to chapter members – regular communication about chapter and member activities.	John	Quarterly		
	Add state stewards to work with chapter officers.	1) VA, MD, DE, NH, CT, NY, NJ, ME			
	Investigate geographic reconfiguration of Chapter	Executive Committee			
	Each Executive Committee member and state steward have at least one friend/colleague become RMS member	All			