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Color Coded:

Forestry	Recreation	General	Water Quality	Agriculture		
Action Item	Completion Date	Type of Assistance	Estimated Cost	Resource Person	Date Completed	
Land Conservation						
Goal 1: – Inform and educate the public and forest owners and managers in all 7 counties about forest resource management by 2013.						
Objective 1.1 Work with partners to provide educational programming and opportunities for at least 1500 people- including loggers, landowners and foresters- to help them improve natural resource management by 2013.						
Work with NYLT to provide at least one workshop- ex. Garage Safety.	Dec 2009	Information, Outreach		Lindsay, Forestry		
Work with Dave Larrabee to research options for Trees and Trails project.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Forestry, Recreation		
Work with partners to provide two chainsaw safety workshops- BOCES.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach	\$1200	Hare, Forestry		
Work with partners to provide at least one chainsaw safety workshops for homeowners.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Funding, Outreach	\$600	Lindsay, Forestry		
Update Forests of NY Placemat and distribute.	Dec 2009	Funding, Outreach	\$2000	Lindsay, Forestry		
Land Conservation						
Goal 2: Provide educational programming to assist in reducing erosion due to agriculture and improving agricultural efficiency in at least 3 counties by 2013.						
Objective 2.1 Work with partners to provide information and education about agricultural best management practices to 250 citizens, professionals and local government officials by 2013.						

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Assist with 1 pasture walk or grazing workshop.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Funding	\$500	Lindsay, Agriculture	
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Conduct a planning and information sharing session for area agency personnel involved in grazing education and technical assistance.	May 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach		Lindsay, Agriculture	
Provide support for GLCI related grazing assistance.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach		Lindsay, Agriculture	
Water Management					
Goal 3: Assist at least 4 partners with plans to improve water quality in their communities by 2013.					
Objective 3.1 Provide assistance to 4 communities for developing and implementing comprehensive watershed management plans by 2013.					
Continue to work with Black River Watershed Group	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach		Lindsay, Billhardt,	
Assist St. Lawrence County with assessment of implementation possibilities for WQS.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Howard, Thompson, Pullano	
Assist Franklin County with assessment of implementation possibilities for WQS.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Miller, Decosse, Frary, Robinson	
Water Management					
Goal 4: Work with partners to provide assistance and education to 250 citizens to enhance and protect groundwater quality in areas served by wells by 2013.					
Objective 4.1 Promote well head protection practices , drinking water testing and education in at least 3 communities by 2013.					
Work with partners to publish one news article about well head protection.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach		Lindsay, Robinson, Wohnsiedler	
Water Management					
Goal 5: Assist at least one partner with plans to improve native fish habitat by 2013.					

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Objective 5.1 Work with NRCS and Sea Grant to identify opportunities for improving native fish habitat by 2013.					
Action Item	Completion Date	Type of Assistance		Estimated Cost	
Meet with partners to identify opportunities.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Cook	
Community Development					
Goal 6: Strengthen regional recreation and tourism opportunities in all 7 counties by 2013.					
Objective 6.1 Work to strengthen partnerships among at least 6 groups to support regional recreation and tourism programs by 2013.					
Begin to develop a network of local recreation and tourism contacts.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Diehl, Burto, Chairvolotti, Garrett	
Multi use trail- continue work towards acquisition of rail section from GVT for Rails to Trails.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Diehl, Burto, Wendt	
Community Development					
Goal 7: Provide local capacity building opportunities for members from all 7 counties by 2013.					
Objective 7.1 Promote internal capacity building by 2013					
Revise Council By-laws	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Exec Committee	
Objective 7.2 Promote relationship building with local partners in all 7 counties by 2013.					
Update Council Website and provide regular updates	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach	\$500	Hare, Council	
Meet with two local partners to discuss RC&D Council	Dec 2009	Outreach		Council	
Objective 7.3 Ensure Equal Opportunity and Civil Rights compliance with members in all counties by 2013.					

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Ensure that all materials contain civil rights statement.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Hare, Exec Committee	
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Provide NRCS Civil Rights training	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay	
Community Development					
Goal 8: Support community economic development and job creation in all 7 counties by 2013.					
Objective 8.1 Provide assistance to at least 4 partner groups to enhance local food and local product utilization opportunities by 2013.					
Meet with Garden Share and Adirondack Harvest to assess partnering options.	Dec 2009	Outreach		Lindsay, Agriculture	
Meet with Mohawk Valley AED team to assess partnering options.	Dec 2009	Outreach		Lindsay, Agriculture	
Provide lumber grading training.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach, Funding	\$7000	Lindsay, Forestry, Crawford	
Provide \$500 to support Venison Donation Coalition activities	Dec 2009	Funding	\$500	Council	
Objective 8.2 Assist partners in promoting safety in communities in all 7 counties by 2013.					
Support farm and home safety day camps in all counties.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach		Council	
Community Development					
Goal 9: Support efforts to inform and educate the public and partners about natural resource management in all 7 counties by 2013.					
Objective 9.1 Support conservation opportunities for 2500 youth in the area by 2013.					

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Support at least one local Envirothon.	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach		Lindsay, Council	
Objective 9.2 Update and maintain a minimum of five forms of outreach by 2013.					
Distribute annual report.	Dec 2009	Outreach	\$50	Hare, Lindsay, Council	
Distribute Newsletter	Sept 2009	Outreach	\$100	Hare, Lindsay, Council	
Update Council's Website at least 4 times	Dec 2009	Outreach		Hare, Council	
Revise and print Council's informational brochure	Dec 2009	Outreach	\$150	Hare, Lindsay, Council	
Participate in Woodsmen's Field Days- Boonville	Aug 2009	Outreach	\$600	Forestry	
Look into participating in Woodsmen's Field Days- Tupper Lake	Aug 2009	Outreach	?	Forestry	
Land Management					
Goal 10: Facilitate Energy Conservation Opportunities in all 7 counties by 2013.					
Objective 10.1 Assist 4 partners with development of renewable energy opportunities by 2013.					
Assist Tug Hill Commission with renewable energy workshop	May 2009	Outreach		Lindsay, Council	
Work with partners to plan renewable energy workshop for farms and homeowners	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance, Outreach, Funding	\$2500	Lindsay, Council	
Participate in forums on renewable energy	Dec 2009	Outreach		Lindsay, Council	

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Objective 10.2 Assist at least 3 RC&D member counties with enhanced opportunities for recycling by 2013.					
Work with Cornell University and local partners on Recycling Ag Plastics	Dec 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, LaFave, Marolf, Agriculture	
Attend Cayuga County's tire recycling program to assess potential for similar program in our counties	July 2009	Technical Assistance		Lindsay, Teletnick, Agriculture	

Authorized at an official meeting of the Black River St. Lawrence RC&D Council on _____:

By: _____
 President

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