

Participating in this event was a good use of my time.	Comments	How much did this event increase your knowledge of the topic presented?	If you chose 'A little' or 'Not at all' for question 2, why did you make this choice?	Did you learn something that you will apply in your work?	Comments	Are there any other issues/topics that you would like information/training on that might help you in your work?	Any additional comments?
Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes		Maybe a training on science communication	As a region, we should think about big data on estuary conditions and what to do with it.
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes	In my mind the symposium had something for everyone, including researchers, practitioners, and decision makers. As a researcher I appreciated learning about aspects of marsh ecology that are outside my area of expertise, new assessment methodologies, and collaborative opportunities.		Congratulations and thank you for a great symposium! There are trade-offs between going broad vs deep into such a complex topic, and I think you achieved an appropriate and effective balance for a one-day symposium. As a speaker, I would have found more advance communication from the steering committee useful; e.g. it wasn't until quite late in the process that I learned I was actually on the agenda, and the objectives for the planning calls among the speakers weren't crystal clear to me. But these are minor issues, I know the organizers were out straight! Thanks again --
Strongly agree		A lot		Prefer not to answer/not applicable			Excellent job of time control. Still, there may have been too many speakers.
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes	Things that were new to me include the soil scientist presentation, the effectiveness of runnels, role of fiddler crabs in preventing seedling establishment,	Use of SLAMM model connected with MEM.	Great workshop, great speakers
Strongly agree	Great to see colleagues give an overview of their state, followed by novel research and restoration approaches	A great deal		Yes			Great workshop. Great presentations and the break-out discussions were worthwhile. It could have easily been a two-day event covering additional salt marsh topics.
Strongly agree	As an educator I was pleased with variety of information provided.I'll 7 548870deg so	A great deal		Yes		A crossover with the science/marine educators in the region	I found it difficult reading the bottom of the slides during the presentations.

Strongly agree	A really valuable workshop for understanding the latest marsh science and appreciating the urgency of marsh loss.	A great deal	Although I already had a great deal of knowledge on these topics, I felt the presentations were not very effective. Many of the speakers seemed to just ramble on and read their slides. Not much that was extremely groundbreaking.	Maybe			I think the structure with the NEERS conference was odd. I expected all the more salt marsh specific talks to be on Thursday and Friday and not Thursday/Saturday. I was also disappointed that many of the people that attended the Thursday workshop did not stay for the other days, with Saturday having particularly low attendance. In the future why do you hold it so the 3 days do not fall on a weekend.
Strongly agree	Wow -- this was a rock star of a workshop. Thanks for all the difficult work in getting it organized.	A lot		Yes			I would love more communicating science workshops as mentioned!
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes	Learned a lot. Causes of marsh loss and possible restorations will certainly apply.	Seagrass	Nice job pulling off a great workshop!
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes		Current info on salvage and restoration	Nicely done - I really appreciated you trying to hold to the schedule. 15 min works well for most. Better, taller or more screens. Hard to see from the back.
Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes	Information provided should help agencies and organizations prioritize locations and types of restoration projects to protect and/or restore.	Strategizing how to protect/acquire uplands adjacent to drowning marshes seems like a priority, and enforcing proper tide gate maintenance and operation.	One of the best NEERS special symposia I've attended in 20 years of membership. Thanks to NERRS for co-sponsoring!
Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes			Opportunities exist for moving forward on some of the group suggestions. It would be nice to see some on-going momentum based on this workshop (as opposed to thinking ahead to what topics might be appropriate for the next workshop).

Strongly agree		A great deal	Great presentations! My work is in this field and I loved hearing about what everyone is doing.	Yes	Absolutely!	I loved all the marsh resiliency and restoration work that was presented on. I'm interested in seeing how all these projects progress and continually learning about new projects within this field. Please hold this workshop again!!	Thank you for organizing this!! As someone who loves citizen science as a way to involve the public in restoration, I'm also wondering about the possibility of a workshop on this. Who funds this work? How to get funding? What are the best ways to reach out to the community? What are the success rates of this work? Do ecosystems have measurable responses to citizen science projects? Inquiring minds would love to know! :)
Strongly agree	What a wonderful event!!! I was able to get new material to help bolster my thesis work and am eternally grateful for the opportunity!	Some	I already know a lot about this subject	Yes		Please continue to follow up on these salt marsh workshops every few years.	Thank you for this important, well-organized, and enjoyable workshop.
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes			This was a great crash course in what is happening currently in the field of salt marsh conservation in New England. I especially benefited from hearing about what other scientists and managers are doing to address how we can deal with the effects of climate change on marshes. Great job and thanks for organizing this. Very timely and incredibly important!
Strongly agree	Well organized with timely, very important theme and specific topics.	Some		Yes	I want a drone! And the post-processing support team!!		Well done!
Strongly agree		Some		Yes			Would really like to see more people of color speakers (there are many of them in New England working on this topic, but largely invisible and unrepresented), fewer white male speakers.
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes			
Strongly agree	This workshop was packed with important information presented by top salt marsh scientists	A lot		Yes		Increased technical design work presented would be beneficial.	

						Lets include topics on soil microbiology which utilize the soils minerals and nutrients that make it possible for plants to uptake. It would be interesting to see what biota are in the marsh soils and their relationship with the plants.	
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes			
Strongly agree		A lot		Maybe			
Strongly agree		Some		Yes		Impacts to salt marsh habitat with the use of tide gates.	
Strongly agree	Learning about regional salt marsh research in one day was a benefit	A great deal		Yes			
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes		More time spent on some of the technical development would be great. Too much is too brief and an overview to really offer much guidance. It has more of the idea / drawing board quality to it which is good, but getting into the nitty-gritty of some of the technical specifications and development decisions would be great.	
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes		I'd love to see a workshop on connections between things we currently view as separate -- like oyster beds and eelgrass; eelgrass and salt marshes; salt marshes and watersheds.	
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes			
Strongly agree		A lot		Maybe			
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Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes		techniques & technologies, particularly with respect to field work.	
Strongly agree		Some		Yes	I am trained in genetics and am working on eDNA studies. This conference was very helpful in providing a crucial ecology perspective to my work; science is all about collaboration these days and the organizers of this event did a great job taking experts from different disciplines to offer their experiences and opinions.		

	I am a seasonal research assistant in the NERR system and started in March 2018. I was very glad to attend this workshop - I learned a lot about salt marsh ecology and management practices. My colleague who has been a research assistant in the NERR system thought that a lot of the talks were introductory level, which was helpful to someone like me but review for someone with her experience.					
Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes		
Strongly agree		A lot		Yes		
Strongly agree		Some		Yes		salt marsh geomorphology.
Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes		
Strongly agree		A lot		Maybe		
Strongly agree		A great deal		Yes		
Strongly agree		Some		Yes		
Disagree		Some		No		
Agree		Some		Yes		standardizing marsh monitoring methods and a data mgmt and analysis workshop to get everyone on the same page and able to compare findings
Agree		A great deal		Maybe		Great job organizing the symposium, it was extremely informative
Agree		A great deal		Maybe		Really nice workshop. I enjoyed the presentations + format. My only critique would be that the venue (long level room) isn't ideal for viewing the speaker (at least for those of us towards the back).
Agree		Some	An amazing amount of information was conveyed and there was still time for dialogue. This was a plus not a minus	Yes		Thank you for organizing this event with NEERS. We should do more in the future. The funding made this possible and increased knowledge and collaboration in the region
Agree		Some	I already know a lot about this subject; the presentation was too basic	Yes		Very well organized workshop, which was highly informative and engaging
Agree		A little		Maybe		Restoration techniques - stabilization - upland erosion control measures. Wish i could have attended Friday sessions as well. Good job to all involved.
Agree		A little	I already know a lot about this subject	Yes		

Agree		Some	I already know a lot about this subject; the presentation was too basic	Yes		
Agree		A lot		Yes		
Agree		Some		Yes		
Agree	the meeting was very well run and kept on schedule! Kudos to you for that. The presentations were all interesting and the round table discussions were insightful. I give credit to the last speaker of the day, Mr. Ganju was most entertaining- a fun way to end the day.	A lot		Maybe		
Agree		Some		Yes		
Agree		Some		Yes		water quality trends in NE
Agree		A lot		Maybe		
Agree		Some		Yes		
Agree	A couple presenters were unprepared. One morning presenter in particular.	Some		Yes		
Agree		A lot		Maybe		
Agree		Some		No		Instead of just looking at marshes it might be more informative to focus on the estuary including the importance of the marsh systems to processes/structure of the estuary.