

# 2017 LAND TRUST ALLIANCE ADVOCACY DAYS

MAY 1-3 | WASHINGTON, DC



## Welcome to the 2017 Land Trust Alliance Advocacy Days

Welcome to Washington, DC! With your help, we can build the political influence of the land trust community and develop lasting relationships as Ambassadors to our congressional delegations. We look forward to getting to know you better over the next three days of issue briefings, networking events and meetings with your congressional delegation.

### Monday, May 1st

2p.m.

**Registration Opens** | Hilton Garden Inn | 1225 First Street NE

3:30 – 5p.m.

**Advocacy for First Timers'** | Hilton Garden Inn, Astor/Paintbranch Room

Get comfortable with lobbying through a brief training and practice session.

-Welcome: *Wendy Jackson, Executive Vice President, Land Trust Alliance*

-Advocating for a Conservation Agenda: *Jay Leutze, President, Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy*

-Capitol Hill Meetings and Social Media: *Marco Sanchez, Communications Coordinator, Piedmont Environmental Council; Josh Lynsen, Media Relations Manager, Land Trust Alliance; DJ Glisson, Videographer, Firefly Imageworks*

5 – 7p.m.

**Happy Hour with Partners** | Hilton Garden Inn, Patio & Stansbury

7 – 9p.m.

**Dinner with your state team** | Local restaurants

### Tuesday, May 2nd

8:00a.m.

**Continental Breakfast Available** | Hilton Garden Inn, Noma Ballroom

8:15a.m. – 11:30am

**Issue Briefing** | Hilton Garden Inn, Noma Ballroom

-Welcome: *Andrew Bowman, President, Land Trust Alliance*

-Tax reform: *Steve Taylor, Senior VP & Counsel for Public Policy, United Way*

-Farm Bill: *Dave White, Former Chief, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service; Pelham Straughn, Former Policy Director, House Committee on Agriculture; Senator Pat Roberts*

-LWCF: *Kathy DeCoster, Vice President and Director of Federal Affairs, The Trust for Public Land*

11:30am

**Lunch** | Hilton Garden Inn, Noma Ballroom

-REPI: *Jaime Simon, Deputy Program Director, External Affairs and Communication, Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program*

Noon – 5p.m.

**Debrief room open** | United Methodist Building, Conf Room 3 | 100 Maryland Ave, NE

1 – 5p.m.

**Visits with your Congressional Delegation**

5:30 – 7p.m.

**Ducks Unlimited Annual Capitol Hill Reception** | Hyatt Regency | 400 New Jersey Ave, NW

OR

5:30 – 8p.m.

**Land Trust Alliance Social Gathering** | The Dubliner, Snug Room | 520 N. Capitol Street, NW

**Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

8– 9 a.m.

**Breakfast Briefing** | 2045 Rayburn House Office Building  
**-Honorable Ryan Zinke, Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior**

9a.m. – 5p.m.

**Visits with Your Congressional Delegation**  
**Debrief Room Open** | United Methodist Building, Conf Room 1 | 100 Maryland Ave, NE

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*Please note our entire organization will be **completely** offline (no email or phone) from Friday, April 28 at noon Eastern until Monday, May 1. Please note the cell numbers of our staff and text/call if you need to reach us.*

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