FOMB 2007 Accomplishments

Media

Print: Approximately 15 print articles:

Education, DEP Enforcement, Atlantic Salmon Endangered Species Petition, Fish Restoration, American Eel Kills, Circulation Study, Outings, Sludge, Chops Hydro Proposal

Television: Local Cable [Harpswell]: Merrymeeting Bay, eels

Radio: Maine Public Radio & WMPG: American eelsafe passage

Volunteers

Minimum 3500 volunteer hours [438 days] 120 volunteers

Membership

430 members Speaker Series - 240 people Outside 2007 [Paddle Series & Walks -128 people] Newsletters - 3 Shoreline Cleanup-6 people-1200 pounds

Grants

\$30,000: staffing, eels, general operating support

Funds Leveraged

\$1,250,000 [land acquisition]

Outreach Presentations

Androscoggin Source to the Sea Trek DMR Spring Running, Augusta Cathance Day Patagonia Outlet F.W. Horch, Brunswick Celebrate Bowdoinham

Education

Two Bay Days [316 students] Hall-Dale on the Bay [80 students] Mid-Coast Senior College Kennebec Course-[30 students] School Visits-12 [347] students Critter Visits-23 [736 students and adults] Web site updates-extensive additions to Cybrary & Friends of Merrymeeting Bay links

Conservation and Stewardship

Total Protected – 130 acres transferred to state. 1900' Kennebec R., 2,600' inland wetland in Woolwich Three conservation easements in process-Topsham-Cathance & Androscoggin, Richmond Stewardship- All easements monitored

Research

Thwings Pt. Archaeological Dig Began third phase of Circulation Study Completed final report of Caged Mussel Endocrine Disrupter Study Assisted MDIF&W with bald eagle breeding surveys Water Quality Monitoring – 18 Standard & 6 Fecal Coliform sites

Advocacy (postings, letters, testimony, etc)

Merrymeeting Bay Wildlife Sanctuary Signs Land for Maine's Future Bond American Eel Protection-Endangered Species Act Comments, BEP Petition Kennebec Atlantic Salmon ESA Fish Consumption Advisories Introduced Safe Fish Passage Bill Introduced Clarification of Right to Appeal Bill Adjudicated BEP Hearing on Kennebec Petition Superior Court Appeals of BEP decisions Brunswick Aquifer Protection Zone-Sludge Spreading Land Conservation Donor Tax Changes-US Senate & House

Primary Partners

The Nature Conservancy Bowdoin College Environmental Studies Department of Environmental Protection Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife US Fish and Wildlife Service Maine Natural Areas Program Department of Marine Resources Friends of Casco Bay Maine Toxics Action Coalition Applied Biomonitoring Maine Historic Preservation Comm. Maine Coast Heritage Trust Maine Wetlands Protection Coalition Patagonia Outlet, Freeport Land Trust Alliance Maine ECO Friends of Kennebec Salmon Mid-Coast Senior College Brunswick Pesticide Watch **SAD 75**