

Friends of Merrymeeting Bay 2014 Accomplishments

Media

Print: (Over 17 articles-US & Canada) Atlantic salmon, Outings, Archaeology, Speaker Series, Education

Volunteers

Approximately 4,539 volunteer hours (550 days) 161 volunteers

Membership

398 households (64 new members) Speaker Series – (298 people) Outside 2014 (Paddle Series & Walks – 125 people) Newsletters – 4

Grants

\$13,400: Education, Research,

Outreach Presentations

Maine Maritime Museum Cruises & Paddles (80 participants)

Education

Two Bay Days (377) students) 9 schools School Visits (81 visits, 1934 students, 48 teachers, 12 schools) Non-School Visits (145 people) Web site updates

Conservation and Stewardship

Dresden Falls/Houdlette Conservation Project- easement completed Dresden Falls property transferred to TAC Additional easements in progress Continuous landowner outreach Ongoing stewardship activities Monitor all easement & fee properties

Research

Assisted MDIF&W with bald eagle breeding/nest surveys Archaeological probe of Dunlop/Maxwell/Fawcett Water Quality Monitoring – 26 sites Thwings Pt. Archaeology Dig Plankton Survey Carp Tagging Study Phragmites Maintenance

Advocacy (postings, letters, testimony, etc)

Lawsuit-Atlantic salmon CWA Healthy Rivers/Healthy Gulf promoting safe fish passage Smart Meters Posting Fish Consumption Advisories

Primary Partners

Friends of Casco Bay National Environmental Law Center The Archaeological Conservancy Kennebec Reborn Avian Haven Maine Coalition to Stop Smart Meters Bowdoin College Environmental Studies Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Endangered Species Coalition Fluid Imaging Technologies Stantec Consulting Androscoggin River Alliance Maine Maritime Museum Department of Marine Resources Bowdoinham Public Library Maine Historic Preservation Commission Maine Land Trust Network Department of Environmental Protection Patagonia Outlet, Freeport Chops Point School Environment Maine Brunswick TV 3 Merrymeeting Arts Center