

**Building Resilient Communities:
Bioregional Solutions for Climate Action and Local Prosperity
August 14–16 | The PEI Farm Centre & Little River Farm**

Day 1: Thursday August 14 – Mutual Aid, Collective Visioning & Integration
At the PEI Farm Centre. 420 University Ave. Charlottetown

Morning 10:00 a.m.

**Welcome,
Permaculture Designs, Green Roofs, Organic Gardens,
Orchard & Vineyard**
Phil Ferraro, Institute for Bioregional Studies

Community Harvest in the Legacy Garden

Lunch: at the Farm Centre

Afternoon

Cultivating Wellness: Nature-Based Activities
Farm Centre Horticulture Team

Creating Resource-Sharing Food Hubs
Ann Higgs, Growers Station Food Hub

Unity in Diversity: Cultivating Equitable Communities for Sustainable Futures
Shun-Yun Hu, Founder, Founder of Ascender Impact Accelerator, and
Social Entrepreneur

Dinner: Shared Meal at The Farm Centre

Evening Presentation:
Rethinking Social Transformation, Ecology, Democracy, and Utopia – Part I
Dan Chodorkoff, Institute for Social Ecology

Day 2: Friday August 15 – Climate Adaptation & Resilient Communities

At Little River Farm 1547, Rt 310, Eglington, PEI

Morning 10:00 a.m.

Welcome & Introductions, Tour of Little River Farm and Inn at Bay Fortune Farm

Phil Ferraro, Institute for Bioregional Studies

Soil Health and Water Stewardship for Climate-Resilient Agriculture

Roger Henry, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

Regenerative Agriculture: Cultivating Flavour through Sustainable Practices

Kevin Petrie, Inn at Bay Fortune Farm

Lunch: Lunch at Inn at the Farm

Afternoon

Electric Converted & Remanufactured Vehicles

Natal Antonini, Upcycle Green Tech

Paving the Way to PEI's Net-Zero & Infrastructure Resilience

Dr. Kuljeet Grewal, Sustainable Design Engineering UPEI,

Adapting Renewable Energy to Mitigate Climate Challenge

Marianne Rodgers, PEI Wind Institute

Dinner: at Little River Farm

Evening Presentation:

Rethinking Social Transformation. Ecology, Democracy, and Utopia – Part II

Dan Chodorkoff, Institute for Social Ecology

Group Discussion:

Rooted Resilience: Mutual Aid, Food Sovereignty, and Decentralized Energy for Thriving Local Communities

Facilitated by, Lil MacPherson, Centre for Local Prosperity, and
Owner, Wooden Monkey Restaurants (Halifax and Dartmouth, N.S.)

Evening Back at the Land: Stargazing, (Perseid meteor shower reaches its peak this week!),
Open Mic in the Big Tent
Group Reflections and Discussions
Enjoy a calming, reflective space to share experiences

Day 3: Saturday August 16–

From Resistance to Renewal: Laying the Groundwork for an Ecological Society

At Little River Farm 1547, Rt 310, Eglington, PEI

These sessions present adaptive design and emergency preparedness strategies—skills that are vital for managing high-stress environments and offer pathways to sustainable and collaborative living.

Morning, 10:00 a.m.

Peecycling: Home Scale Recovery and Recycling of Nutrients

Earle Barnhart and Hilda Maingay

The Green Center, Inc., A non-profit educational and research organization

Creating More Affordable, Environmentally Sustainable Communities,

Low cost, low tech solutions to environmental problems.

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Lunch: At Little River Farm

Afternoon:

Net-Zero Design and Building of Commercial and Residential Buildings

Calina Ferraro, Vice President, Introba Engineering

Valentine Gomez, P. Eng; Certified Passive House Designer

Ole Hammarlund, Architect, BGHJ Architects

Sustainable Ocean Foods in the Social Ecologies of Islands: Ideas for PEI

Barry Pearce, Ecological Aquaculture International , LLC;

Professor II, Faculty of Biosciences & Aquaculture,

Nord University, Bodø, Norway

Dinner: Catered by BoonoonoonoosPEI (Boonoonoonoos is a Jamaican saying to express love. In plain English, it translates to "special person". When you have a loved one with you on vacation, you might want to refer to him or her as a "boonoonoonoos friend" to express your feelings.)

Evening:

Visioning a Future Together;

A discussion on the future communities we wish to build. Using prompts such as "What does an ideal future look like?" and "How can we live collaboratively in harmony with the planet?" Participants will create a shared vision.

Facilitated by; Andy Horsenell, Founder Social Enterprise Solutions and
Executive Director, Centre for Local Prosperity

Open Mic & Storytelling Night and Group Reflections