



# Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture

## A Fish Habitat Partnership

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Stephen Perry, Steering Committee Chair  
11 Hazen Drive Concord, NH 03301

Dear Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture Partner:

On behalf of the Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture (EBTJV) Steering Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with an update on our Fish Habitat Partnership. The EBTJV has been successful in securing \$925,000 to cover our operational expenses, with the bulk of this funding being devoted to planning, data management, and outreach. The partnership has also directed ~\$4.7 million to on-the-ground projects that address EBTJV priorities.

In our efforts to continue an effective process for implementing the EBTJV's conservation strategies for brook trout, we would like all of our partners to join us at a meeting scheduled for **November 10-12, 2009**, at **Cacapon State Resort Park** (<http://www.cacaponresort.com/>) located in **Berkeley Springs, WV**.

This 3-day event will provide EBTJV partners another opportunity to be actively involved with one of three regional workgroups (Northern, Mid-Atlantic, and Southern) and/or one of five subcommittees (Conservation Strategy/Habitat; Data; Outreach & Education; Science & Research; Grants & Development). The focus for these workgroups and subcommittees will be to continue the development of action plans that address regional habitat objectives and strategic priorities identified during our partnership's meeting held last April at the National Conservation Training Center.

As a vital partner, we invite you to attend this crucially important meeting as we continue our collective efforts to implement brook trout conservation strategies that will allow the EBTJV partnership to achieve its vision. Given these economic times we understand that gaining travel approval may be difficult. However there is financial support available to assist state agency personnel in covering travel costs, so if you are in need of travel assistance contact Lila Borge Wills at [lborge@vt.edu](mailto:lborge@vt.edu).

I sincerely appreciate your support of the Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture, and I look forward to our continued alliance as we move to implement actions targeted towards conserving brook trout in the eastern United States. Please contact me by email at [stephen.perry@wildlife.nh.gov](mailto:stephen.perry@wildlife.nh.gov) or by phone at (603) 271-1745, if you have additional topics you would like the EBTJV Steering Committee to consider adding to the meeting agenda or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

*Steve*

Stephen G. Perry, Steering Committee Chair  
Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture

## **2009 EBTJV Meeting Announcement**

### **Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture Meeting Details**

Cacapon Resort State Park  
818 Cacapon Lodge Drive  
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411  
November 10-12, 2009

The resort is small enough that we will book the entire facility for our EBTJV event. There is a lodge with 48 rooms, plus 13 winterized cabins - all very reasonably priced and below the government lodging rate. In addition, there are various hiking trails, golfing, and good food available on-site.

As planned by the Steering Committee, the draft schedule is as follows:

November 10    Evening kick-off meeting and social  
November 11    Full day session and break out groups  
November 12    Morning session and wrap up mid-day

### **PLEASE MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATION BY OCTOBER 10, 2009**

**To make your reservation, or for more information about the facility:**

Phone (304) 258-1022  
(800) CALL-WVA  
<http://www.cacaponresort.com/>

*When making reservations, mention that it is for the Eastern Brook Trout Meeting.*

Single room in Lodge	\$64.00/night + tax
4 person cabin	\$82.00/night + tax
8 person cabin	\$102.00/night + tax

**PLEASE CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE EBTJV MEETING** by contacting:

**Lila Borge Wills**  
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**(540) 231-8996**