

# *South Atlantic LCC*

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### Cultural Resources Integration Committee

#### **Background**

The mission of the South Atlantic LCC is to create a shared blueprint for landscape conservation actions that sustain natural and cultural resources by facilitating an inclusive and cross-jurisdictional collaborative for conservation planning, integrating partner efforts to create a shared conservation blueprint for the South Atlantic, working to identify research gaps that will enable creation of the conservation blueprint, working at large temporal and spatial scales, using an interdisciplinary approach that addresses the interconnectedness of systems and society, and building resilience into ecological systems for long-term sustainability by anticipating future change.

#### **Purpose**

The Committee facilitates the integration of cultural resources necessary to support the mission of the South Atlantic LCC.

#### **Role**

The Committee will work through the SALCC staff to provide advice and recommendations to the Steering Committee on conservation issues, strategies, and initiatives of mutual interest to a broad spectrum of the conservation community within the SALCC.

#### **Membership**

Membership in the Cultural Resources Integration Committee will be open to representatives of any organization whose core mission includes conservation of cultural resources. The committee will appoint a Chair who will lead the committee and serve as liaison to the LCC staff. The Chair will also serve as a Steering Committee member, representing the broad spectrum of cultural resource perspectives of this committee. The Chair will also represent the committee on the SALCC science team in similar fashion. Examples of expected organizational representation may include: State Historic Preservation Offices of NC, SC, VA, GA, and FL, The Conservation Fund, the Catawba Tribe, The GullahGeechee Cultural Heritage Corridor, The South Carolina Cultural Heritage Corridor, The National Park Service, etc... Members are self-selecting if they meet the criteria.

#### **Duration**

The Committee is intended to be a long-term standing committee. The need for the committee will be reevaluated annually.

#### **Time Commitment**

Members of the committee should expect to spend at least two to three hours every month on LCC-related work, including conference calls. Face to face meetings may be needed to support certain committee activities.

#### **Expectations**

- Make recommendations on LCC cultural resource priorities and priority conservation issues/decisions.
- Make recommendations on science integration, projects, strategies, and initiatives for the collective SALCC conservation community to consider.
- Support through data and other means, the development of decision support tools needed to address priority conservation issues; promote use of tools within respective organizations, evaluate conservation impact of tools, and suggest improvements.