



CHAMPLAIN-ADIRONDACK BIOSPHERE NETWORK

CREATING A FUTURE WHERE PEOPLE AND NATURE THRIVE TOGETHER

OUR BIOSPHERE REGION

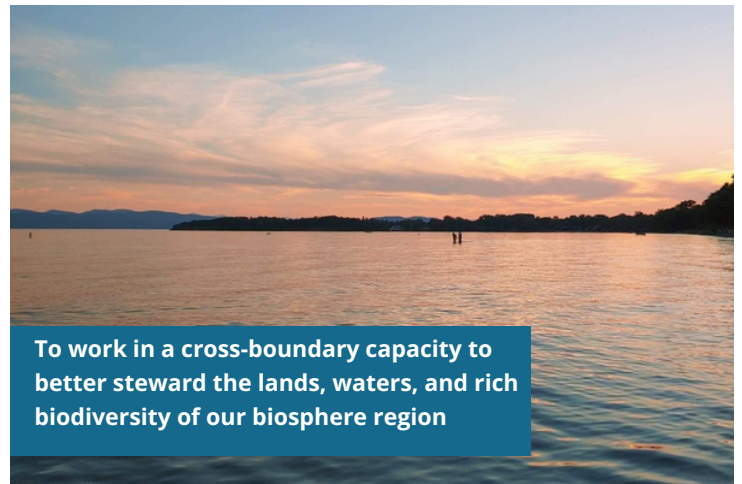
The Champlain-Adirondack Biosphere Region is an extraordinary place that spans the towering peaks of the Adirondacks and the Green Mountains, the shores of Lake Champlain, and all the working landscapes in between. Designated by the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Programme in 1989, our biosphere region is internationally recognized for its rugged mountains, vast forests, abundant fresh water, rich culture, and working landscapes.

The size and scale of our biosphere region allow partners to analyze impacts of climate change, biodiversity loss, and socioeconomic challenges and explore solutions in exciting, innovative ways.

OUR SHARED GOALS



To connect communities and organizations who are working to build harmonious relationships between people and nature



To work in a cross-boundary capacity to better steward the lands, waters, and rich biodiversity of our biosphere region

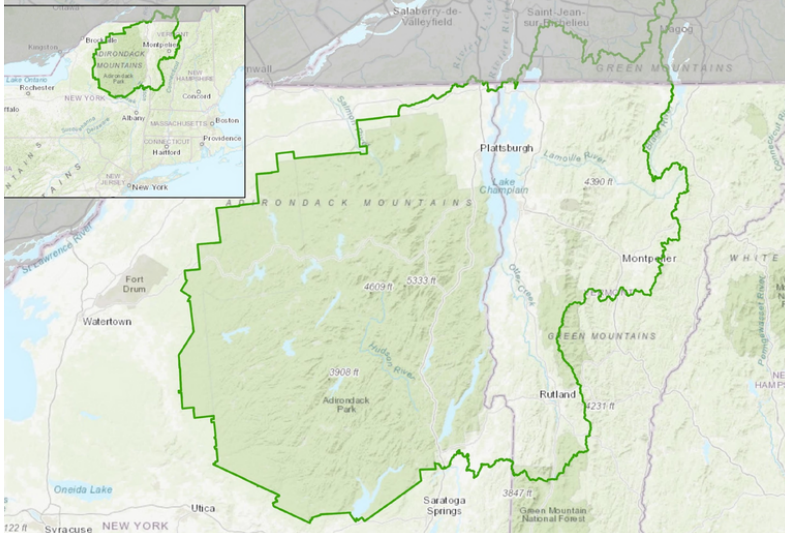


To use the best available knowledge to model climate change resilience and sustainable development both locally and globally



To strengthen the connections between our communities and the biosphere region in which they live, work, and play

NETWORK GEOGRAPHY



A BIOREGIONAL PERSPECTIVE

CABN believes that bioregional collaboration is the key to addressing the world's most pressing sustainable development issues including climate change and biodiversity loss. Bioregionalism shifts the focus beyond political boundaries to encompass our shared ecology, landscapes, waters, and cultural identity. By connecting, supporting and promoting our bioregional partners who are dedicated to enhancing ecosystem services, conserving biodiversity, and building healthy and equitable societies, we can inspire a positive future.

We invite any community or organization that has an interest in conservation, sustainable development, environmental justice, or climate change resiliency to help us reach our vision of a healthy biosphere where people and nature thrive.

A GLOBAL DISTINCTION

The Champlain-Adirondack Biosphere Region is part of the World Network of Biosphere Reserves. There are 738 in 134 countries, including 28 biosphere regions in the United States. Biosphere regions are voluntary and nonregulatory in their approach. Across the globe, local communities and organizations build on this unique recognition to advance economic development and conservation. Biosphere regions connect people across disciplines, cultures, and borders to advance culture, nature, and the economy. Biosphere regions promote local and regional action to support global sustainable development goals through their three main functions:

- *Conservation of biodiversity and cultural diversity*
- *Economic development that is socio-culturally and environmentally sustainable*
- *Logistic support underpinning development through research, monitoring, education, and training*

CABN IN ACTION

CABN has made major strides in building its capacity, working to achieve sustainable development goals, and celebrating the connections between our incredible natural and working landscapes and the communities who live, work, and play within them.

- University of Vermont and Paul Smith's College annually co-offer a course focused on bioregionalism
- With the help of CABN, the Wild Center's Youth Climate Summit launched in the Frontenac Arch Biosphere Network (FABN)
- SUNY ESF and Queens University are partnering on the development of a CABN-FABN Climate Atlas
- CABN co-chair Kelly Cerialo and the Youth Board organized the "Emerging Leaders" professional development workshop series
- CABN Steering Committee members and partners hosted the Future Forest Reimagined workshop series to develop a shared plan for accelerating ecological forest management

CONNECT WITH US

To learn more about our partnership and how to get involved, please visit our website champlainvalleynhp.org/heritage/champlain-adirondack-biosphere-reserve/ or contact the CABN Coordinator Katie Darr at kdarr@lcbp.org.



You can visit biospherenetwork.org to learn more about the US Biosphere Network and en.unesco.org/mab to learn more about the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Programme.



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