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## *Brown Bag Lunch Series*

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Data Sources and Tools for Prioritizing Land Conservation  
MA DEP, 8 New Bond Street. Worcester MA  
**Thursday, November 21, 2019**  
**11:00pm-1:00pm**  
**NOTE the change in the day**

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Over the past several years, there has been a proliferation of GIS data and online tools to inform conservation decision-making. Examples include Biomap2, CAPS, Critical Linkages, Nature's Network, TNC's Resilient and Connected Lands, MA Climate Action Tool, and Mass Audubon's MAPPR Tool. Many of these data layers/tools are interrelated. For example, CAPS was an important source of data/analysis incorporated into Biomap2. The CAPS local connectedness metric is part of TNC's Resilient Sites, and both CAPS and TNC Resilience are part of Nature's Network. Mass Audubon's MAPPR Tool and the MA Wildlife Climate Action Tool include information from many of these sources. This presentation will review these datasets and tools, and provide background information about their development, intended uses and how they can complement one another. The amount and complexity of data and tools can be overwhelming, but they also offer a wealth of information to help achieve conservation goals.

Parking is on the side of the building, it is in an industrial complex so there is ample parking. We have their large conference room booked.



There will be a board meeting at 10:00am. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
Please carpool if you can.  
RSVP at <https://tinyurl.com/msmcp11-21-19event>