TITLE: Sustainable Communities Research

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Sustainable communities is one of six focus areas identified by ACSF. The topical lunch started with two 10-minutes presentations given by the representatives of the Rust2Green project in Utica, NY (Scott and Horrigan) and the Lower Hamakua Sustainable Community project in the Hawaii County, Hawaii (Hamabata and Zhang), respectively, focusing the research frameworks and methodologies. Then six researchers (Blakely-Armitage, Cerra, Geddes, Kay, Rahm, Warner) each made a 90-second presentation on their individual projects, covering a wide range of topics related to sustainable communities. Next, the discussions ensued centering on creating synergy among various teams on campus and promote future research collaborations. Given a large number of diverse activities related to sustainable communities research on campus, the participants reached a consensus that coordinated efforts need to be taken to bring researchers together on this critical subject. In addition, we should utilize various media tools to increase the visibility of Cornell research on sustainable communities. The immediate follow-up plan is to establish a working group on sustainable communities research and organize a weekly seminar series in the spring semester. The responsibilities of this working group will be further defined.

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