

## SUGGESTED TOWN FOREST MODELS

State	County	Town(s)	Forest Name	Description	Referred By	Additional Contacts/Resources
CT	Hartford Tolland Fairfield	Avon Tolland Greenwich	--	--	Chris Donnelly Urban Forester, CT Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Division of Forestry (860) 424-3178 <a href="mailto:chris.donnelly@po.state.ct.us">chris.donnelly@po.state.ct.us</a>	Contact tree wardens for more information Robert Ricard – University of Connecticut Extension (see next row)  Adam Moore – CT Forest and Parks Association (860) 346-2372 <a href="mailto:info@ctwoodlands.org">info@ctwoodlands.org</a>  Fred Borman – CT DEP, Division of Forestry (860) 424-3634 <a href="mailto:fred.borman@po.state.ct.us">fred.borman@po.state.ct.us</a>
MA	Middlesex	Weston, MA	--	While Connecticut has a long history of town forests, their management tends to be limited.	Robert Ricard Urban & Community Forestry University of Connecticut (860) 570-9257 <a href="mailto:robert.ricard@uconn.edu">robert.ricard@uconn.edu</a>	<i>Reclaiming the Commons</i> by Brian Donahue
MA	Worcester  Middlesex	Fitchburg  Bedford	--  --	“just finished a management plan with interesting ownership issues” - Jane Calvin  “interesting issues with military base abutting” - Don Marshall	Jane Calvin Community Action Forester, Eastern MA DCR Urban Forestry (617) 626-1456 <a href="mailto:urbanforestry@prospeed.net">urbanforestry@prospeed.net</a>	Mary McCaffrey <a href="mailto:mmccaffrey@ci.fitchburg.ma.us">mmccaffrey@ci.fitchburg.ma.us</a>  Don Marshall <a href="mailto:dmrelion@aol.com">dmrelion@aol.com</a>  Jaci Edwards <a href="mailto:Jaci929@comcast.net">Jaci929@comcast.net</a>  Hugh Putnam (town forest management advocate) 242 Highland St Milton, MA 02186 (617) 696-2885 <a href="mailto:put4143@aol.com">put4143@aol.com</a>

MA	--	--	--	--	--	Steve Anderson, MA Forest Stewardship Program <a href="mailto:Steve.Anderson@state.ma.us">Steve.Anderson@state.ma.us</a>
MA	Plymouth  Norfolk  Worcester	Plymouth  Walpole  Boylston	Plymouth Town Forest  Walpole Town Forest  Boylston Town Forest	Surrounded by industry on south and west boundaries; gravel mining  Stewardship plans, trail-work, signs  Established in 1930's	Hugh Putnam (town forest management advocate) 242 Highland St Milton, MA 02186 (617) 696-2885 <a href="mailto:put4143@aol.com">put4143@aol.com</a>	--
ME	Kennebec    Penobscot	China    Bangor	China School Forest    Bangor City Forest	Small community; located adjacent to school; used extensively in class-work    Large community; used as a demonstration forest; active management for harvesting and recreation; connects with the town of Orono's Bog Walk	Jan Ames Santerre, Community Forestry Specialist—Project Canopy (207) 623-2371 <a href="mailto:canopyinfo@adelphia.net">canopyinfo@adelphia.net</a>  Mike DeBonis, Project Canopy Director Maine Department of Conservation Maine Forest Service (207) 287-4987 <a href="mailto:michael.debonis@maine.gov">michael.debonis@maine.gov</a>	Anita Smith China Middle School RR1, Box 1162 South China, ME 04358 (207) 445-2065 <a href="mailto:asmith@china.k12.me.us">asmith@china.k12.me.us</a>  Rolland Perry, Bangor City Forester (207) 942-0220
ME	Sagadahoc   Piscataquis   Penobscot	Richmond   Sangerville   Veazie	--   --   --  Buck Hill Parcel	158 acres   Small community in central Maine; forest managed for recreation, wildlife, and income generation; 550 acres  80 acres  80 acres  Forest management plan developed by Conservation Commission for both parcels; managed in coordination with the Chestnut Foundation and the	Jan Ames Santerre, Community Forestry Specialist—Project Canopy (207) 623-2371 <a href="mailto:canopyinfo@adelphia.net">canopyinfo@adelphia.net</a>	--   Dick Drummond, Manager (207) 876-2814   Bill Reed, Town Manager (207) 947-2781; Carol Redelsheimer, Town Forester (207) 944-0736 <a href="mailto:vztownforester@att.net">vztownforester@att.net</a>

	Oxford	Bethel	--	Turkey Federation; one of the properties is the most northern American Chestnut Tree Farm. 175 acres		Scott Cole, Manager (207) 824-2669
	Cumberland	Cape Elizabeth	--	1000 acres		Michael McGovern, Manager, (207) 799-5251 <a href="mailto:cetm@maine.rr.com">cetm@maine.rr.com</a>
	Cumberland	Falmouth	multiple parcels	1600 acres		Skip Varney, Park and Community Programs Director, (207) 781-5253 <a href="mailto:Svarney@town.falmouth.me.us">Svarney@town.falmouth.me.us</a>
	Cumberland	Gray	Libby Hill Town Forest	50 acres		Mitchell Berkowitz, Town Manager, (207) 657-3339
	Kennebec	Hallowell	--	275 acres		Weston Davis, Tree Board Chairman, (207) 621-3945 <a href="mailto:weston.davis@cmpco.com">weston.davis@cmpco.com</a>
NH	Belknap	Barnstead Gilmanton Meredith Gilford	--	--	Karen P. Bennett UNH Cooperative Extension 131 Main St, 212 Nesmith Hall Durham, NH 03824 (603)862-4861 <a href="mailto:karen.bennett@unh.edu">karen.bennett@unh.edu</a>	Sumner Dole, County Extension Forester 36 County Dr. Laconia, NH 03246 (603) 527-5475 <a href="mailto:sumner.dole@unh.edu">sumner.dole@unh.edu</a>
NH	Carroll	Conway	--	1630 acres in total on 13 tracts of land; the Conservation Commission is responsible for managing these properties.  "Included in these parcels is 'Whitaker Woods'. I am prejudiced, but this has to be one of the most priceless Town Forests anywhere in N.H. When Jim Barrett did his research project on Town Forests, he drew the same conclusion." –Peter Pohl	Peter Pohl, UNH Cooperative Extension, PO Box 860, Ctr Ossipee, 03814 (603) 539-3331 <a href="mailto:peter.pohl@unh.edu">peter.pohl@unh.edu</a>	Paul Pinkham, Conway Conservation Commission Chairman 1634 East Main Street, Center Conway, NH 03813 <a href="mailto:pafour@tlc.net">pafour@tlc.net</a>  Don Johnson, Forest Land Improvement, P.O. Box 385 Chocorua, NH 03817-0385 (603) 323-8298

NH	Carroll	Ossipee	--	Total Acreage that is being managed under the guidance of forest stewardship plans are four parcels totaling about 300 acres. The management of this acreage is overseen by the Ossipee Conservation Commission. Rich has prepared management plans for these parcels and one or more timber sales have been conducted on each of the four tracts.	Peter Pohl, UNH Cooperative Extension, PO Box 860, Ctr Ossipee, 03814 (603) 539-3331 peter.pohl@unh.edu  Shanna Ratner Yellowwood Associates (802) 524-6141 <a href="mailto:shanna@yellowwood.org">shanna@yellowwood.org</a> National Community Forestry Center, Northern Forest Region <a href="http://www.ncfcnfr.net">www.ncfcnfr.net</a>	Contact Ossipee Conservation Commission for more information.
NH	Carroll	Eaton	--	Total acreage is about 2,078 acres in three contiguous parcels; management overseen by the Eaton Conservation Commission; detailed forest stewardship plan prepared under a special grant from the ice storm of 1998 funds; conducted four timber harvests in 2004; properties have land that is in timber production and lands that are being set-aside as no-cut zones.	Peter Pohl, UNH Cooperative Extension, PO Box 860, Ctr Ossipee, 03814 (603) 539-3331 peter.pohl@unh.edu	Contact Eaton Conservation Commission <a href="mailto:eatonth@ncia.net">eatonth@ncia.net</a> for more information.  Daniel Stepanauskas, current forest manager Northern Forest Resources HCR 62, Box 42 Silver Lake, NH 03875 (603) 367-8111
NH	Coos	Randolph	--	--	Sam Stoddard UNH Cooperative Extension 629A Main St Lancaster, NH 03584 (603) 788-4961 <a href="mailto:sam.stoddard@unh.edu">sam.stoddard@unh.edu</a>	--
		Gorham	--	--	Shanna Ratner Yellowwood Associates (802) 524-6141 <a href="mailto:shanna@yellowwood.org">shanna@yellowwood.org</a> National Community Forestry Center, Northern Forest Region <a href="http://www.ncfcnfr.net">www.ncfcnfr.net</a>	--
NH	Hillsboro	Amherst	--	--	Jonathan W. Nute UNH Cooperative Extension 329 Mast Rd. Goffstown, NH 03045 (603) 641-6060 jonathan.nute@unh.edu	--
		Merrimack	--	Numerous parcels ranging from 20 to 500+ acres in size; developing		Andy Powell 26 Hansom Rd

		Mount Vernon	--	management plans with some active timber harvesting.		Merrimack, NH 03054 (603) 881-5238 <a href="mailto:ajpowell@inr.net">ajpowell@inr.net</a>
		Francestown	--	Managed for timber harvests, wildlife habitat, educational purposes, historical preservation, and recreational use. Several hiking trails have been developed and they seem to be very well used in every season.		Betsy Hardwick 1312 Cressy Hill Rd Francestown, NH 03043 (603) 547-8773 <a href="mailto:blhardwick@earthlink.net">blhardwick@earthlink.net</a>
NH	Grafton	Lyme	Lyme Town Forest	372 acres; management plan 1/96; active multiple-use management including tours/outreach	Northam Parr UNH Cooperative Extension 3855 Dartmouth College Hwy, Box 5 North Haverhill, NH 03774 (603) 787-6944 <a href="mailto:northam.parr@unh.edu">northam.parr@unh.edu</a>	Lee Larson Lyme Conservation Commission Chairman (603) 795-2014 <a href="mailto:lee.e.larson@valley.net">lee.e.larson@valley.net</a>
		Canaan	Canaan Town Forest	100 + acres, stewardship plan 12/00		Contact Canaan Conservation Commission for more information
		North Haverhill	Grafton County Farm	450 acres		--
		Piermont	Piermont Town Forest	--		--
		Bridgewater	Bridgewater Town Forest	--		--
NH	Merrimack	Warner	The Chandler Reservation	1500 acres; managed by town forest committee	Timothy Fleury UNH Cooperative Extension 315 Daniel Webster Highway Boscawen, NH 03303 (603) 225-5505 <a href="mailto:tim.fleury@unh.edu">tim.fleury@unh.edu</a>	Call town forest committee for more information
		--	Boscowen Town Forest	438 acres; managed by Conservation Commission		Call conservation commission for more information
		Concord	--	26 lots; 2700 acres total		Ron Klemarczyk, managing forester (Concord, Hopkinton,

		City				
		Hopkinton	--	13 lots; 582 acres total		Bow, Epsom) FORECO Box 161 Contoocook, NH 03229 (603) 746-4846
		Bow	--	14 lots, 2467 acres		
		Epsom	--	463 acres		
		Pembroke	--	5 lots; 224 acres total		
NH	Rockingham	Londonderry	Musquash	“a great example of a working town forest and one that is marketed actively as a place for town residents to enjoy the outdoors. They are constantly adding to the acreage (700+ acres now, I think). Charlie Moreno and Matt Ross just finished a new cruise and a revision of the management plan.” – Matt Tarr	Matt Tarr UNH Cooperative Extension 113 North Road Brentwood, NH 03833 (603) 679-5616 matt.tarr@unh.edu	Deb Lievens, Londonderry Conservation Commission (603) 432-9927
NH	Strafford	Durham	--	--	Don Black UNH Cooperative Extension 259 County Farm Rd, Unit 5 Dover, NH 03820 (603) 749-4445 <a href="mailto:don.black@unh.edu">don.black@unh.edu</a>	Contact conservation commission or selectmen for more information
		Rochester (city)	--	--		
		New Durham	--	--		
NH	Sullivan	Cornish	Cornish Town Forest	270 acres at southern boundary of town near southwest corner; purpose is “to preserve undeveloped land for the benefit and enjoyment of the residents of Cornish;” managed for sustainable multiple use.	Steve Wood (603) 542-6454 via Karen Bennett  Karen P. Bennett UNH Cooperative Extension 131 Main St, 212 Nesmith Hall Durham, NH 03824 (603)862-4861 <a href="mailto:karen.bennett@unh.edu">karen.bennett@unh.edu</a>	Ginny Prince, Cornish Town Forest Management Committee (603) 675-2129 ginprin@cyberportal.net  David Grobe, Plainfield Conservation Commission (603) 675-5550
		Plainfield	Plainfield Town Forest			
RI	--	Glocester	Scotstun	Inventory of Forest Preserve completed upon its acquisition. Only trees blocking trails will be cut or removed.	Bruce Payton, Chair of RI Land Trust Council, Member of Glocester Land Trust <a href="mailto:bpayton@ridem.necoxmail.com">bpayton@ridem.necoxmail.com</a>	--
		“	Phillip’s	Recently harvested hemlock invested		

		“  “	Woodlot  Sprague Farm Complex  Phillips Farm, Steere Hill, Heritage Park Tract	with Hemlock Woolly Adelgid to gain income from the trees before they became a liability and would have cost money to remove hazardous in the property.  1200 acres  About 500 acres; 43 acre WHIP (Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program) Project; fitness/hiking trails created from skid roads.  Other programs carried out on Land Trust properties include extensive trails and trailhead parking area construction for educational programs, wildlife habitat openings in old fields and research release of biological controls for forest insect pests. Managing the Land Trust properties to balance the multiple use needs of the user groups in the area, from hiking, cross-country skiing and horseback riding to hunting and bird watching has been a constant challenge.		
VT	Addison	Starksboro	Hillsboro Town Forest	High level of community involvement; Town-wide stewardship indicators; youth engaged through timber harvest education and sugaring (syrup used in school); FSC green-certified; see case study for more information.	Danielle Fitzko, Vermont Urban and Community Forestry Program Coordinator (802) 241-3673 <a href="mailto:DFitzko@fpr.anr.state.vt.us">DFitzko@fpr.anr.state.vt.us</a>  David Brynn, Addison County Forester (802) 388-4969 <a href="mailto:david.brynn@anr.state.vt.us">david.brynn@anr.state.vt.us</a>  Shanna Ratner Yellowwood Associates (802) 524-6141 <a href="mailto:shanna@yellowwood.org">shanna@yellowwood.org</a> National Community Forestry Center, Northern Forest Region	Robert Turner, R.J. Turner Co.; Starksboro Conservation Commission (802) 453-2171 <a href="mailto:rjtco@gmavt.net">rjtco@gmavt.net</a>

		Lincoln	--	Both Starksboro and Lincoln have participated in Yellowwood Workshops	<a href="http://www.ncfcnfr.net">www.ncfcnfr.net</a>	--
VT	Franklin	St. Albans	--	--	Jim Tessmann, Franklin/Grand Isle County Forester (802) 524-6501 <a href="mailto:jim.tessmann@anr.state.vt.us">jim.tessmann@anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
VT	Lamoille	Stowe	Sterling Forest	Good management plan; harvesting; recreation (active mountain biking groups); all revenue goes to conservation commission	Raymond J Toolan Lamoille County Forester (802) 888-5733 <a href="mailto:ray.toolan@anr.state.vt.us">ray.toolan@anr.state.vt.us</a>	Mike Snyder, Chittenden County Forester; Stowe resident (802) 879-5694
		Morristown	Sulham & Duhamel Parcels	"All are under management of one sort or another." –Raymond Toolan	Danielle Fitzko, Vermont Urban and Community Forestry Program Coordinator (802) 241-3673 <a href="mailto:DFitzko@fpr.anr.state.vt.us">DFitzko@fpr.anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
VT	Rutland	Clarendon	R. Clarke Smith Forest and Wildlife Management Area	"It is under a forest management plan and I have conducted one timber sale (horse logging operation). Many area residents use it recreationally and several of the area schools use it as an outdoor classroom. There is a lot of diversity on the site including large beaver pond/wetland." – Nate Fice	Nate Fice, Rutland County Forester (802) 786-3853 <a href="mailto:nate.fice@anr.state.vt.us">nate.fice@anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
VT	Washington	East Montpelier	E. Montpelier Town Forest	Town forest committee and active conservation commission; three timber sales over the last 20 years, forest plan in effect; great trail system in town and on Town Forest.	Russ Barrett, Washington County Forester (802) 476-0172 <a href="mailto:russ.barrett@anr.state.vt.us">russ.barrett@anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
		Berlin	Berlin Town Forest	The town now owns three separate parcels and is looking to add more within the Berlin Pond watershed; three timber sales over the last 40 years; developing a multi-use trail system and working on a forest stewardship plan; natural community map for Berlin Pond watershed available on town website.	Danielle Fitzko, Vermont Urban and Community Forestry Program Coordinator (802) 241-3673 <a href="mailto:DFitzko@fpr.anr.state.vt.us">DFitzko@fpr.anr.state.vt.us</a>	Andrea Chandler, Berlin Conservation Commission (802) 229-4411 <a href="mailto:achan99_98@yahoo.com">achan99_98@yahoo.com</a>
		Montpelier	Hubbard Park	Managed by the Montpelier Parks Commission, this city forest/park has		--



				had a number of timber sales and forest improvement cutting; an excellent year round trail system that joins up with the Vermont State Capital building.		
			Berlin Pond Parcel	1300 acres including Berlin Pond that supplies city drinking water; numerous timber sales, improvement cuttings and tree planting over the last 60 years.		--
		Calais	Calais Town Forest	With three separate forest parcels, the town set up a fund for revenues to go to conservation commission; a number of timber sales; working on a trail system; very active conservation commission that received a grant to put together a forest stewardship plan for the various town forests.		--
VT	Windsor	Royalton	--	“Gift of land to town was the impetus for the selectboard creating a Conservation Commission and charging them with developing a plan for community use of the forest. CC is learning as they go. Access, parking, trails, school use, timber improvement are all early goals.” – Jon Bouton	Jonathan Bouton, Windsor County Forester (802)296-7630 <a href="mailto:jon.bouton@anr.state.vt.us">jon.bouton@anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
		Norwich	Peisch Lot	Home of Milton Frye Nature Area; about 35 acres next to the elementary school; used often by classes; easy access (walk from Village), parking; managed by the Milt Frye Nature Area Committee composed of at least one Conservation Commissioner, Teacher, & others; selectboard has authority; .high quality map suitable for Orienteering meets. CC and MFNAC hold community nature workshops.		--
		Norwich	Gile Mountain	Managed by Norwich Conservation Commission, answering to		--

				<p>Selectboard; features a fire tower (VT's tallest on the lowest elevation site), parking lot, trail kiosk, older, more direct trail and a newer, more gradual trail suitable for mountain bikes and cross country skiing; both used heavily, especially in foliage; current trail development, including a trail that connects to the Appalachian Trail, and a shorter trail down the other side of the ridge. Norwich Trails Committee promotes use of public trails in town. Requests for help maintaining the trail and tower usually brings a good number of volunteers (families with children) who are interested in contributing to this public resource.</p>		
		Norwich	Norwich Fire District	<p>Land originally acquired to protect water supply; currently managed by Lands Committee comprised of representatives of the Fire District Board, the Conservation Commission, and Selectboard appointed representatives from the "village" and more rural sections of town. The Town has forgiven property taxes on the Fire District forest lands in exchange for management by this Lands Committee and a commitment to hold the land for public use.</p>		--
		Hartford	Hurricane Town Forest	<p>Managed by Conservation Commission (supported by Planning Office and Recreation Department); Selectboard has ultimately made policy decisions after thorough public process organized by the Conservation Commission and Planning Dept. Timber Management plan provided through a State Urban and Community Forestry Grant and developed by a consulting forester. Recreation Plan completed and</p>		<p>Matt Osborn, Town Planner  <a href="mailto:mosborn@hartford-vt.org">mosborn@hartford-vt.org</a></p> <p>Chuck Wooster, Hartford Conservation Commission Chairman  (802) 295-1456  <a href="mailto:chuck.wooster[at]valley.net">chuck.wooster[at]valley.net</a></p> <p>Mike Quinn, Windsor Tree Warden (also teaches in Hartford)  <a href="mailto:quinm@hartfordsd.com">quinm@hartfordsd.com</a></p>

		Windsor	Paradise Park	<p>adopted approximately 2 years ago; Student mapping program (boundaries, trails, orienteering course); also used for vocational classes; timber cuttings for wildlife; see case study for more information.</p> <p>Managed by Paradise Park Commission; trails, open field, open-faced shelter suitable for group meetings and even community performances. Easy access on the South from the elementary school, Mt Ascutney Hospital on the West; A recent acquisition provides good access from the east as well as a pond and swamp with unusual plants. Timber sales do take place on occasion, most recently laid out and overseen by the Vermont Forestry Division. Summer youth programs focus on nature education and acclimatization.</p> <p>“In all of these examples, it seems to me there is at least one charismatic (often modest) community leader who recognizes the value of these public lands and is able to form the ‘community’ that works together to promote care and use of these forests – parks.” – Jon Bouton</p>		<p>(802) 674-2522, (802) 295 8662 ext. 220</p> <p>Mike Quinn, Windsor Tree Warden (also teaches in Hartford) <a href="mailto:quinnm@hartfordsd.com">quinnm@hartfordsd.com</a> (802) 674-2522, (802) 295 8662 ext. 220</p>
VT	Orange	Fairlee	Fairlee Town Forest	1800 acres, overseen by Town Forest Board	David Paganelli, Orange County Forester (802) 476-0173 <a href="mailto:david.paganelli@anr.state.vt.us">david.paganelli@anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
		Bradford	Low-St. John Forest	76 acres, owned by Bradford elementary school		--
		“	Wright’s Mountain	277 acres, overseen by select board		--
		“	Bradford Municipal Forest	Actually in Fairlee and West Fairlee; 591 acres; overseen by Bradford Water Commission		--

				<p>“All four of these properties are under active forest management and provide valuable landscape stability, recreational, and educational opportunities in these communities.” - David Paganelli</p>		
VT	Caledonia/ Essex	St. Johnsbury	St. Johnsbury Town Forest	<p>“Started out as the Town ‘Poor Farm’ or as it is still some times call the ‘Alms Farm’. In 1922, when women gained the right to vote the newly formed League of Women Voters paid for the planting of the farm to trees. Over a period of several years, they planted about 70 acres (most of the farm) to Norway spruce, white pine, and Scots pine. Over the years, the plantation thinnings provided good stumpage income, perhaps more than property taxes would have provided. This property is essentially within the Village limits of St. Johnsbury making it within walking distance of several thousand people. It is visited in all seasons of the year by hikers taking advantage of the skid roads and laid out trails.” – Stephen Slayton</p>	Stephen Slayton, Caledonia/Essex County Forester (802) 751-0111 <a href="mailto:stephen.slayton@anr.state.vt.us">stephen.slayton@anr.state.vt.us</a>	--
		Hardwick	Hardwick Town Forest	<p>Purchased in 1953; a working farm as late as the early 1950's; interest in reopening a small abandoned quarry was denied but it opened the door to some needed forest management. Timber marked and harvested by Hazen Union Forestry class The lot is remote which makes it difficult for people to take full advantage of the assets that it possesses. However, people of Hardwick are beginning to discuss its future.</p>		--