

# Regional Conservation Partnerships Engaging Family Forest Owners in New England & New York

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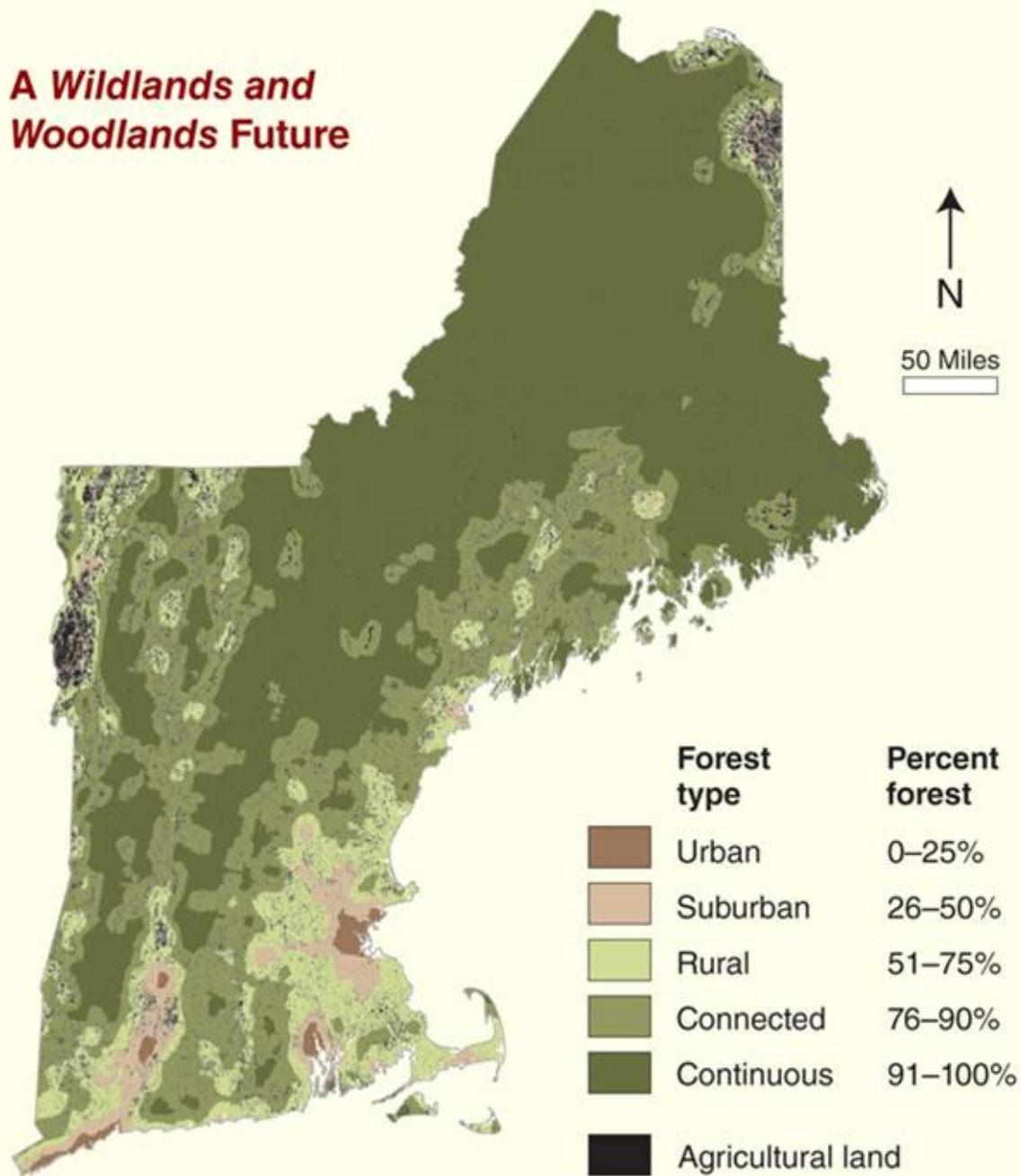
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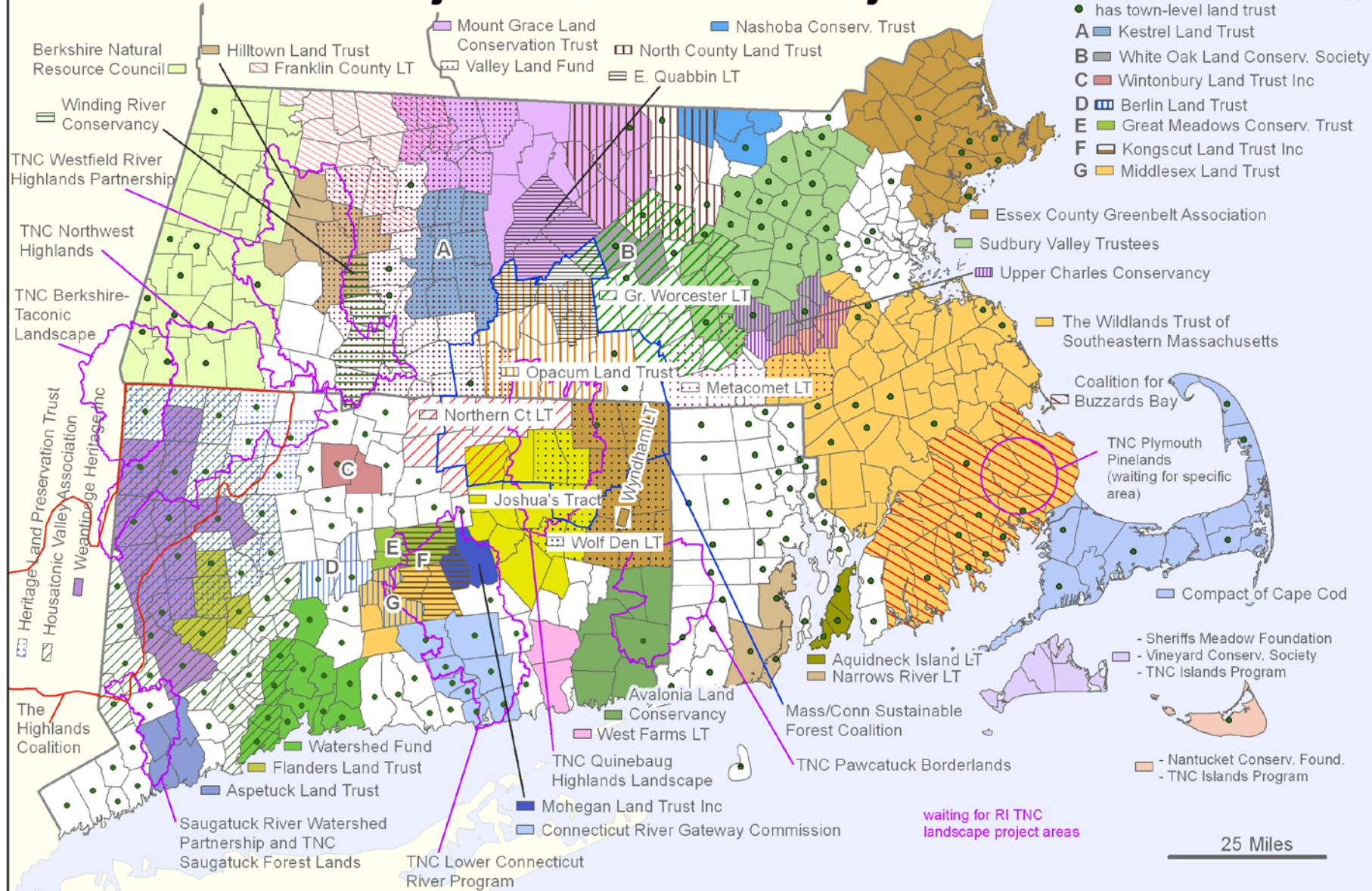
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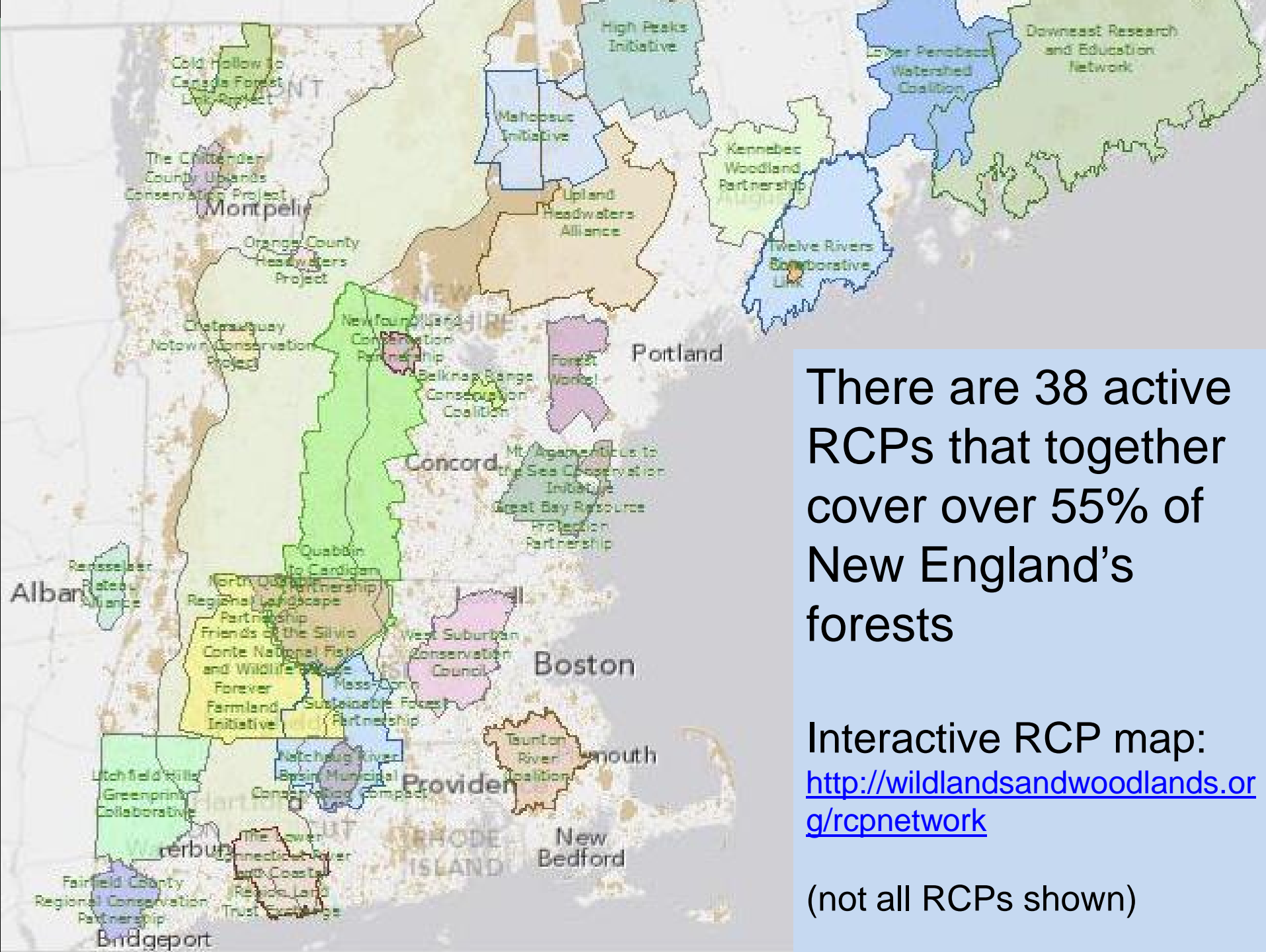
# Land Trusts and Major Conservation Projects



Regional land trusts were defined as those who concentrate their land protection activities in well-defined, contiguous regions. Most of the data is from the Massachusetts Land Trust Coalition, Connecticut Land Trust Service Bureau, Rhode Island Land Trust Council, and state chapters of The Nature Conservancy. Data on some smaller land trusts came from the individual groups' websites.

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There are 38 active RCPs that together cover over 55% of New England's forests

Interactive RCP map:  
<http://wildlandsandwoodlands.org/rcpnetwork>

(not all RCPs shown)



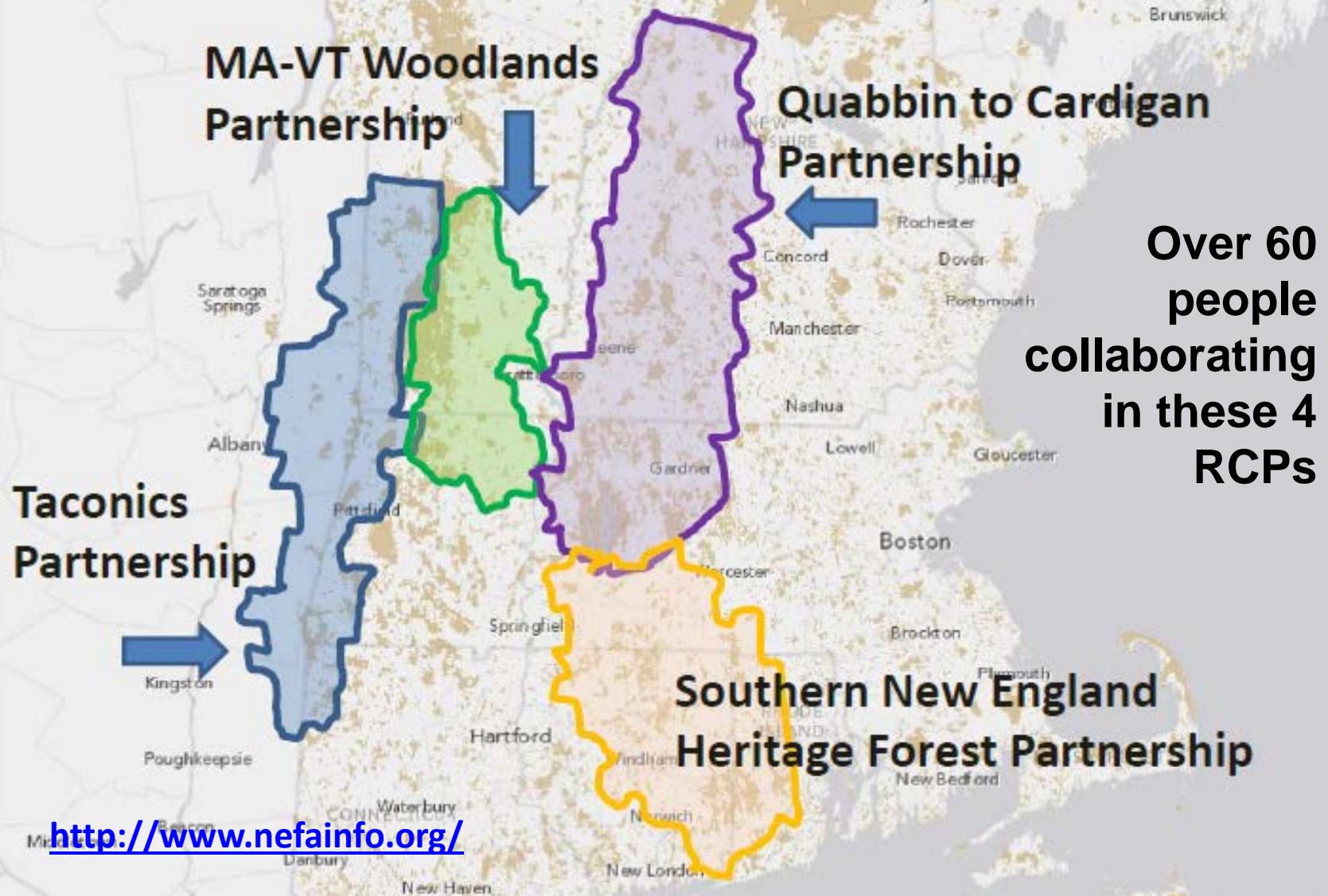
# The RCP Network



- Annual Conference  
“RCP Network Gathering”
- State RCP Meetings
- Web resources  
including interactive map
- LinkedIn Group
- Webinars
- Trainings

*“Excellent. This from a  
jaded conference goer 😊  
Exciting stuff!”*

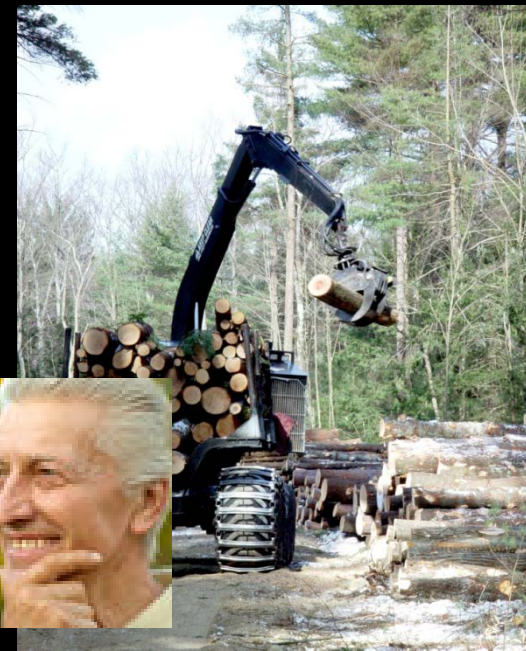
# North East State Foresters Association Regional Pilot Demonstration Project - NY/NE Family Forest Owner Engagement





# Different strokes for....

Woodland  
Retreat  
Owner



Supplemental Income Owner



Uninvolved Owner

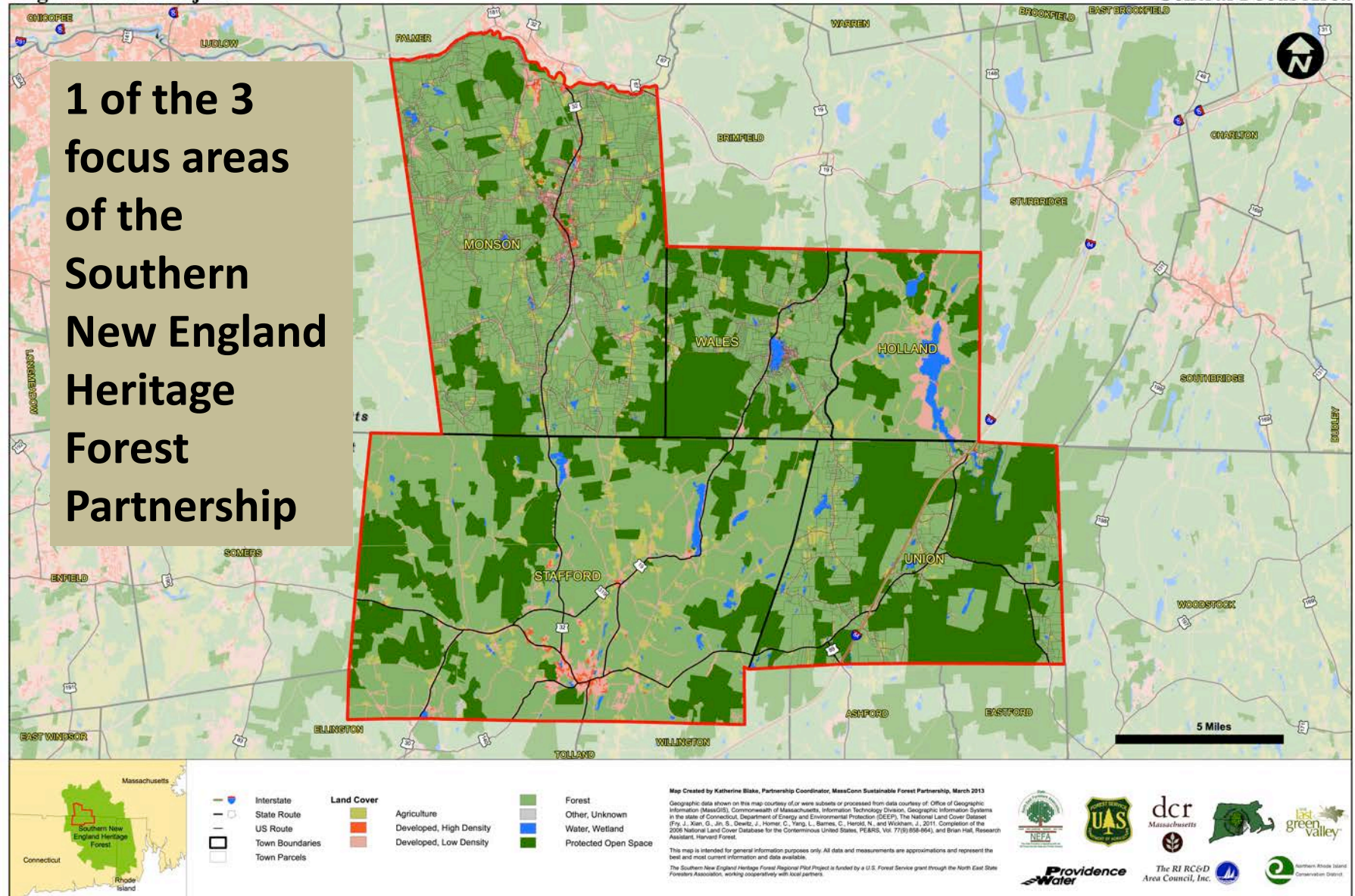
Working the  
Land  
Owner





# Southern New England Heritage Forest Regional Pilot Project

# MassConn Sustainable Forest Partnership Central Focus Area







**“Your Land Your Legacy” Estate Planning Event by the Quabbin to Cardigan Partnership**

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NewLeb 2010 Tax Parcels

Owner1	Acres	MailAdd1	MailAdd2	ParcelID_1	Estate_Pla	Woods_For	Follow_Up	Curnt_Use	LO_Type
Dreyfus, Christine	500		New Lebanon, NY 12125-0641	104800 - 18-1-67.100	0	1	1	0	Retreat
Abode, Of The Message Inc	344	5 Abode Rd	New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 30-1-10.111	0	1	1	0	WTL
Moutain Lebanon Heritage,	300.08	Shaker Rd	New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 29-1-17	1	0	1	1	WTL
West Hill Farm, LLC,	287.13		New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 9-1-12.111	1	0	0	0	WTL
Dolomite Products Comp.,	232.4		Albany, NY 12212	104800 - 8-2-41.200	0	1	0	0	Absentee
Lichtenstein, David	220.5	277 Beach 141St St	Belle Harbor, NY 11694	104800 - 7-2-40	0	0	0	1	Retreat
Little Pine LLC ,	216.8		Chatham, NY 12037	104800 - 18-1-37.200	1	1	0	0	Retreat
Little Pine LLC,	211.2		Chatham, NY 12037	104800 - 18-1-26	0	0	1	0	Retreat
Weld, Francis M.	196.4	16 Gardner St	Nantucket, MA 02554	104800 - 10-1-2.111	0	0	0	0	
New, Lebanon	194.6	124 Main St	Westford, MA 01886	104800 - 3-1-4.200	0	1	0	0	
Burton, Helen	183.7		New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 29-1-36.120	0	0	1	1	Uninvolved
Gellert, Philip	169.5	23 Sir William Farm Rd	Hillsdale, NY 12529	104800 - 29-1-10.110	1	1	1	1	WTL
Clayton, Denise C.	163.96	89 Parker Ln	New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 9-1-21	0	0	1	0	Absentee
Gitter, Max	158.5	90 Riverside Dr	New York, NY 10024	104800 - 18-1-66	0	1	0	0	
Lebanon Valley Auto,	156		West Lebanon, NY 12195	104800 - 7-2-4	0	0	0	0	
Ball, John P.	155.6	430 East 57th St Apt 9-C	New York, NY 10022	104800 - 28-1-43.111	1	0	0	1	
Rose, Ulrich	153.91	21 Cemetary Rd	New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 19-1-1	0	0	0	0	
Liebich, Richard C.	149.7		Stillwater, NY 12170	104800 - 9-1-2	0	1	0	0	
Liebich, Richard C.	149.7		Stillwater, NY 12170	104800 - 9-1-27	1	0	0	0	
TJB Land Corp.,	149.3	61 Flints Crossing Rd	Canaan, NY 12029	102400 - 38-1-7	1	0	0	1	
Senger, John	146.2	36 OLD ROUTE 20	NEW LEBANON, NY 12125	104800 - 20-1-5	1	0	0	0	
Columbia, Land Conservancy	145.1		Chatham, NY 12032	104800 - 17-1-22.111	0	1	0	0	
Szarkowski, John T.	145	320 Salls Rd	East Chatham, NY 12060	104800 - 28-1-35	0	0	0	1	
Himmelstein, David U.	144.5	255 W 90th St Apt 12A	New York, NY 10024	104800 - 28-1-1	0	0	0	1	
Himmelstein, David U.	144.5	255 W 90th St Apt 12A	New York, NY 10024	104800 - 28-1-14	0	0	0	0	
Mac Murray, John C.	144.5	4 E 95Th St	New York, NY 10129	104800 - 28-1-30.100	1	0	0	0	
Ceramx Corporation,	136.9	1 TECHNOLOGY PI	LAURENS, SC 29360	104800 - 18-1-9.110	0	1	0	1	
Mariani, Michael R.	135	1933 Cr 5	Canaan, NY 12029	102400 - 38-1-6	0	0	0	0	
New Lebanon Central,	125		Lebanon Springs, NY 12125	104800 - 7-2-9	0	0	0	0	
De Lano, Fred H.	123.6		New Lebanon, NY 12125	104800 - 29-1-34	1	1	0	0	
Rattoballi, James P.	123.4	447 Herbert St	West Hempstead, NY 11552	104800 - 29-1-41.100	0	1	0	0	
Polacinski, Michael	121		West Lebanon, NY 12195	104800 - 8-1-5	1	1	0	1	
Sandpiper Ranch Llc,	116	383 Pitt Rd	Old Chatham, NY 12037	104800 - 17-1-30.111	0	0	0	0	
Masciarotte, Anthony	115	823 Canaan Rd	Canaan, NY 12029	102400 - 38-1-15.110	1	0	0	1	
Gellert, Philip	107.96	173 Whippoorwill Rd	Hillsdale, NY 12529	104800 - 2-1-4.111	0	0	0	0	
Columbia, Land Conservancy	106.2	49 Main St	Chatham, NY 12037	104800 - 17-1-51	0	0	0	0	

(1 out of 203 Selected)

NewLeb 2010 Tax Parcels

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Number of features selected: 1

Landowner database used by the Taconics Partnership



## Do you have questions about your land?

We are professionals from non-profit conservation organizations and state governments in Massachusetts and Vermont, working together across state boundaries to help you explore your options.

Look for more information by letter in the upcoming weeks designed for new landowners in the 12-town area along the MA - VT border.

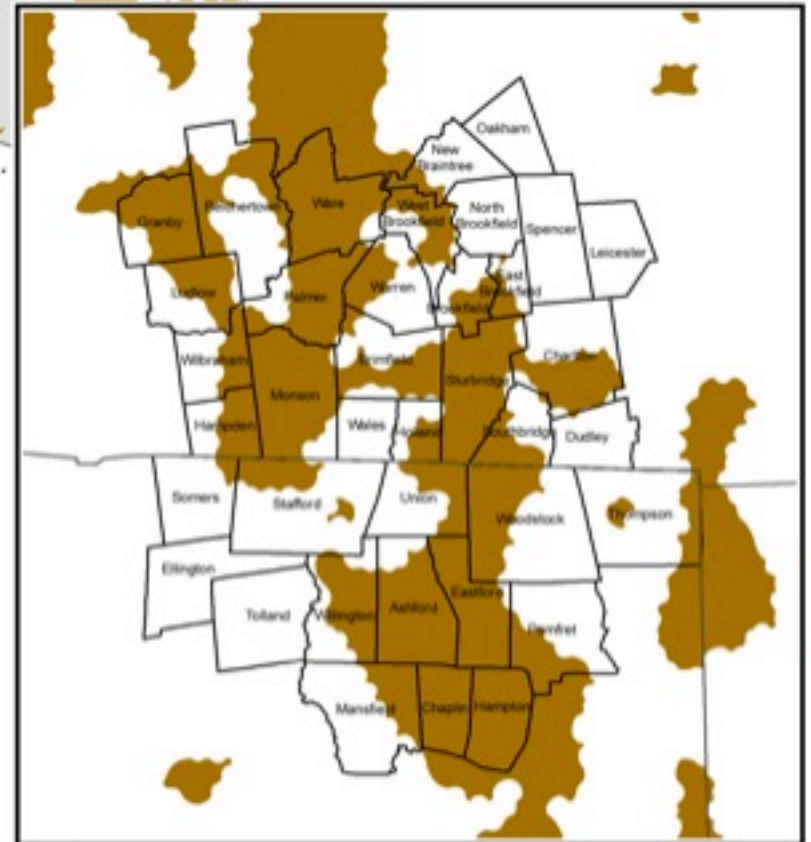
- ♦ Learning about wildlife habitat
- ♦ Passing land on to future generations
- ♦ Harvesting and selling trees
- ♦ Keeping your woods healthy
- ♦ Reducing your property taxes
- ♦ Protecting special places on your land
- ♦ Improving recreational activities



**Post card sent to new landowners that are also Woodland Retreat Owners**

# One RCP chose their focus areas based in part on whether they included sites resilient to climate change

## TNC Resilient Sites



Resilient Sites: "...can buffer an area from the direct effects of a changing climate by offering a connected array of microclimates that allow species to persist."

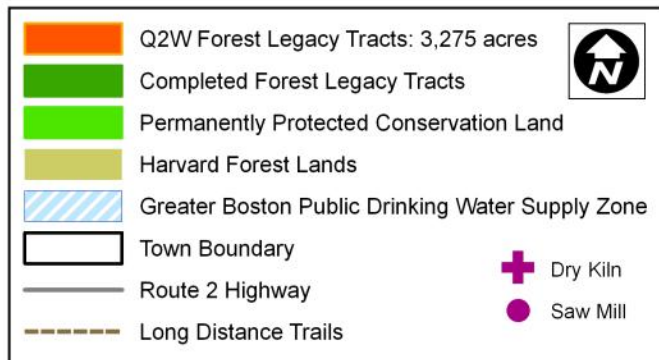
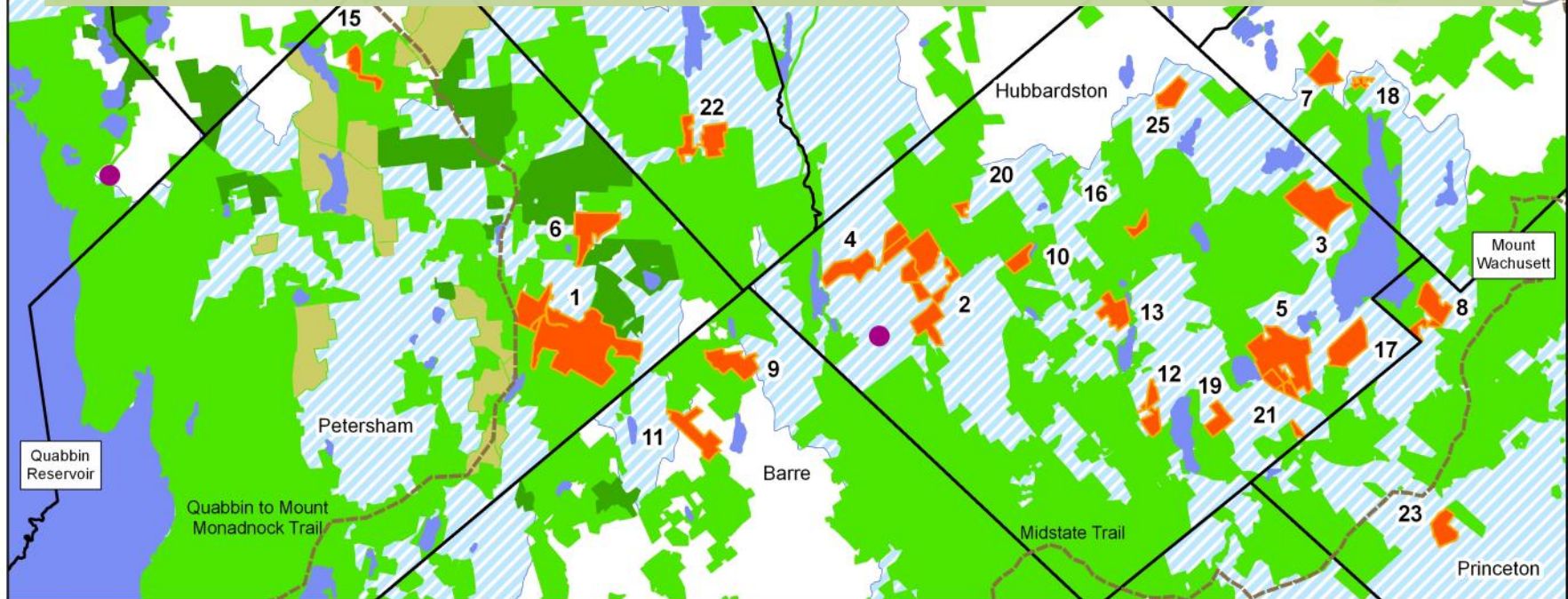
A function of local connectedness, landform variety, elevational range, and wetland density

(See Anderson et al., 2012)

[http://www.osiny.org/site/PageServe?pagename=Issues\\_Habitat](http://www.osiny.org/site/PageServe?pagename=Issues_Habitat)



# Ultimate Goal of the NY-NE Family Forest Owner Outreach Initiative: More Landscape Scale Forest Stewardship and Conservation



## Quabbin Reservoir to Wachusett Mountain (Q2W) FY13 Forest Legacy Grant Application



Source Credit: MassGIS

Map by NQRLP

# Thank you!

For more information on:

**The RCP Network:**

[www.wildlandsandwoodlands.org/rcpnetwork](http://www.wildlandsandwoodlands.org/rcpnetwork)

Join the Regional Conservation Partnership  
Network Group on LinkedIn

**NEFA Regional Pilot Demonstration Project:**

<http://www.nefainfo.org/>

**RCPs:**

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