Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests

116th Annual Report
Peak to Peak: Forest Society members and friends can stand atop Mt. Major, after hiking up trails acquired by the Forest Society in the past fiscal year, to see Pine Mountain (to the right in this photo), where member Mary Jane Morse Greenwood donated additional acreage to the Evelyn H. and Albert D. Morse, Sr., Preserve, also in FY2017.
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To our members:
When the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests was founded, we represented diverse interests in our mission “to perpetuate the forests of New Hampshire.” Ours was then, and is today, a “big tent” of people and opinions, sharing common values associated with forest conservation.

The 1904 mission statement goes on to say that we would perpetuate forests “through their wise use” and “their complete reservation in places of special scenic beauty.” We continue to use sustainable management, including harvesting (wise use) as a means to keep forests as forests. And we continue to defend places of scenic beauty from forces that would degrade them.

The language of our mission statement, like our name, may ring a bit old fashioned in 21st-century ears. But the values we stand for do not. Our success over 116 years derives from those widely shared values, from focusing like any good forester on the long-term outcomes, from being willing to compromise when it’s reasonable to do so and standing our ground when it’s clearly not.

Each year we measure our achievements in a variety of ways. We track our revenues and expenses, of course, and you’ll find those in these pages. We also celebrate our land conservation...
successes, measuring success in the number of acres our generous donors help protect in concert with conservation-minded landowners and partners.

You’ll see in this report that we conserved more than 2,000 additional acres this year, primarily through conservation easements (1,581 acres). Our fee acquisitions (land we conserve by owning it and managing it ourselves) totaled 698 acres. Those eight projects reflect a conscious strategy to focus on available opportunities to expand and enhance our existing Forest Reservations.

As of the end of the fiscal year, we owned 180 Forest Reservations constituting 55,487 acres in more than 100 communities in New Hampshire. Additionally, we held 759 conservation easements protecting 128,572 acres statewide.

More important than the number of acres, and more important than the increase in net assets to more than $80 million (primarily land), is that we are conserving the best land we have the opportunity to protect. Our strategic conservation plans help us prioritize opportunities region by region.

Increasingly we recognize that our long-term effectiveness in “perpetuating the forests” will be measured by more than “bucks and acres” accomplishments. Our capacity to conserve more land will be influenced by our ability to steward—to take care of and enhance—the lands we have already conserved. Our capacity to steward conserved lands will be influenced by our ability to engage the people and communities who enjoy and benefit from those lands.

Our new Powder Major’s Farm and Forest in Madbury, Lee and Durham is an example of success that we must measure beyond the $2.25 million we raised to conserve 192 acres (plus another 60-acre easement). This multi-community project in the Seacoast Region, where open land is increasingly at risk and water quality is a priority, came about because of the tremendous

Clockwise from top: A fall of 2016 timber cut on 100 acres of the Crider and Rumrill family forests in Stoddard harvested white pine while opening up views along the Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway Trail and setting the stage for pine regrowth; blueberries ripen on conserved land; Volunteers and staff improve a trail during the annual Monadnock Trails Week.
support of diverse interests. Town officials, high school students and teachers, local volunteers and generous donors all pitched in to permanently protect a place special to them all for different reasons. Frankly, at its inception the Powder Major project seemed daunting to many, complicated and expensive. But protecting land that is important to many, with natural resources critical to many and regularly enjoyed by many, brought the community together. That community conservation process engendered new 21st-century conservationists. That success and others like it will go a long way to ensuring the Forest Society’s ability to “perpetuate the forests of New Hampshire” for decades to come. It is hard to quantify that value in an annual report.

Looking ahead, we see the Powder Major’s Farm and Forest and other Forest Reservations as opportunities to engage the people who use and enjoy our properties in the ongoing stewardship of conserved lands.

We endeavor to manage our own lands in an exemplary way, seeking to plan well for ongoing stand and infrastructure improvement, including trails and access roads. During the course of the year, our staff worked with eight consulting foresters and 10 logging contractors to conduct 10 timber sales, treating 570 acres and yielding 2.5 million board feet of saw logs and 20,730 tons of low-grade chips.

We also measure success—and accomplish a tremendous amount of work—through our volunteers. Overall we welcomed 456 active volunteers who donated 6,130 hours, including 174 land stewards who conducted 588 Forest Reservation monitoring visits and 22 group workdays. During Monadnock Trails Week, 55 volunteers contributed 657 hours improving trails on the mountain.

In addition to training 20 new land stewards, we launched two new volunteer initiatives: We trained nine new volunteer easement monitors to monitor 32 conservation easements, and

Clockwise from top: The Forest Society offered a series of guided hikes, co-sponsored by WMUR and Stay Work Play New Hampshire, that reached people unfamiliar with the Forest Society’s work; Sawlogs are loaded for the journey to regional wood markets during a timber harvest at the Robie Forest in Franklin and Andover; autumn leaves.
six volunteers to assist with our growing Mount Major Outdoor Classroom hikes for school groups.

In addition to our ongoing policy advocacy at the state and federal levels, we continue to defend New Hampshire’s landscape from the proposed Northern Pass transmission line. With our attorneys from BCM Environmental Land Law, we are fully engaged in the state Site Evaluation Committee process. We continue to believe that if the proposed 192-mile transmission line is to be built, it should be buried entirely along appropriate transportation corridors. Our efforts continue to be buoyed by the generous support from thousands of donors who also value New Hampshire’s special scenic attributes.

Our members continue to demonstrate extraordinary generosity and commitment. I want to thank everyone who has contributed, from new members to those who have consistently supported the Forest Society for more than half a century. Ours is a big tent filled with diverse points of view. Our success derives from coming together in support of shared values.

Sincerely,

Jane A. Difley
President/Forester

The Forest Society continued its commitment to preserving the forested landscape of Mt. Kearsarge and Black Mountain this fiscal year by acquiring a 233-acre addition to the Black Mountain Forest Reservation.
Land Conservation Summary  
Fiscal Year 2017 (May 1, 2016–April 30, 2017)  

Special thanks to those whose names are in bold and italics for having made a significant donation of their land or conservation easement’s value!

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<td>60</td>
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<td>Town of Acworth</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>Acworth</td>
<td>Addition to East Acworth Marsh</td>
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<td>Lorin Rydstrom</td>
<td>374</td>
<td>Northfield</td>
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<td>Town of Milan</td>
<td>1,127</td>
<td>Milan</td>
<td>Additions to Milan Community Forest</td>
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<td>Mary Jane Morse Greenwood</td>
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<td>Alton</td>
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<td><strong>Total: 5 projects</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,581 acres</strong></td>
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<td>91</td>
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<td>Dudley Pond Forest</td>
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<td>P.K. Brown &amp; Sons, Inc.</td>
<td>233</td>
<td>Sutton</td>
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<td>Edward, Phillip and Charles Goss</td>
<td>192</td>
<td>Durham, Lee, Madbury</td>
<td>The Powder Major’s Farm and Forest</td>
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<td>Cynthia H. Thorburn</td>
<td>90</td>
<td>Hillsborough</td>
<td>Addition to Dawson Memorial Forest</td>
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<td>Fred and Judith Ierlan</td>
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<td>Addition to Gipson Forest</td>
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<td>James A. &amp; Jane K. Gregoire</td>
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<td>Addition to Quarry Mountain Forest</td>
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<td>Steven P. Rollins</td>
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<td><strong>698 acres</strong></td>
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<td>Richard A. Ware</td>
<td>54</td>
<td>Bartlett</td>
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<td><strong>54 acres</strong></td>
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Grand Total: 14 Projects, New Acres Protected  2,333 acres
Land Protection Projects
Fiscal Year 2017

Total of 14 projects protecting 2,333 new acres

- Conservation Easement
- Reservation
- Land Acquired for Transfer

- Lakes Region
- Lower Connecticut River
- Merrimack Valley
- North Country
- Quabbin to Cardigan
- Southeast Region

August 2017
Financial Highlights

Fiscal Year 2017 Revenue

Grants & contributions include funds for operations and for specific projects, including land protection projects.

Fiscal Year 2017 Expenses

This chart includes the Forest Society’s expenses by program (functional expenses) as well as the cash paid for land.

Questions on the financial statements should be directed to Denise Vaillancourt, Vice President, Finance (dvaillancourt@forestsociety.org) or Susanne Kibler-Hacker Vice President, Development (skh@forestsociety.org).
## Statement of Operating Activities

for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2017

### Revenue and Support

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<td>Grants</td>
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<td>Contributions of land</td>
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<td>551,635</td>
<td>700,635</td>
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<td>Contributions for land and land stewardship</td>
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<td>Investment income</td>
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<td>188,665</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>279,338</td>
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<td>Realized &amp; Unrealized gains on investments</td>
<td>436,773</td>
<td>686,270</td>
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<td>Loss on disposal of assets</td>
<td>(599)</td>
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<td>Membership dues</td>
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<td>Rental income</td>
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<td>Forest operations</td>
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<td>Reimbursement for services</td>
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<td>Sale of materials</td>
<td>366,676</td>
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<td>Donated conservation easements, goods and services</td>
<td>177,076</td>
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<td>Lease release settlement</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue and Support</strong></td>
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<td>2,841,433</td>
<td>3,629,052</td>
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**Net assets released from restrictions for satisfaction of purpose**

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### Program Expenses

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<td>Education &amp; Outreach</td>
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<td>Policy</td>
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### Supporting Services and General Expenses

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### Total Expenses

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### Increase (decrease) in net assets

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<td>101,542</td>
<td><strong>Increase (decrease) in net assets</strong></td>
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### Net Assets, beginning of year

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<td>7,082,319</td>
<td>Net Assets, beginning of year</td>
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### Net Assets, end of year

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<td>Net Assets, end of year</td>
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# Assets

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<td>Current portion of contributions receivable</td>
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<td>Other receivables, including bequests</td>
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<td>Inventories</td>
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<td>Prepaid expenses</td>
<td>59,025</td>
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<td><strong>Total Current Assets</strong></td>
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<td>Land</td>
<td>61,985,653</td>
<td>59,051,533</td>
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<td>Property and equipment, net</td>
<td>2,811,150</td>
<td>3,031,652</td>
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<td>Investments and Other Assets</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>12,900,201</td>
<td>12,422,309</td>
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<td>Contributions receivable, long term, net</td>
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<td>Inventories, long term</td>
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<td><strong>79,025,029</strong></td>
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Left: The Mr. Kearsarge Outdoor Classroom Project brought together Forest Society staff and contractors with students and teachers from Kearsarge Regional High School to improve the trails on the Black Mountain Forest Reservation in Sutton.

Right: The Forest Society completed a parking area for the Quarry Mountain Forest that was made possible by a generous donation of land by Jim and Jane Gregoire of Meredith.
# Liabilities and Net Assets

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<td>Current portion of annuities payable</td>
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<td>Current portion of deferred compensation</td>
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<td>506,250</td>
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<td>Annuities payable – less current portion, net</td>
<td>167,089</td>
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<td>Deferred compensation – less current portion</td>
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<td><strong>Total Long-Term Liabilities</strong></td>
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<td><strong>834,965</strong></td>
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<td>2,067,458</td>
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<td>Unrestricted – invested in land, property and equipment</td>
<td>4,938,359</td>
<td>5,014,861</td>
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<td><strong>Total Unrestricted Net Assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>7,183,861</strong></td>
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<td>Temporarily restricted</td>
<td>6,472,983</td>
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<td>Permanently restricted</td>
<td>69,309,792</td>
<td>65,680,740</td>
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<td><strong>Total Net Assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>82,966,636</strong></td>
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| **Total Liabilities and Net Assets** | **83,953,202** | **79,025,029** |

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Questions on the financial statements should be directed to Denise Vaillancourt, Vice President, Finance (dvaillancourt@forestsociety.org) or Susanne Kibler-Hacker Vice President, Development (skh@forestsociety.org).
The undeveloped shoreline of Dudley Pond in Deering became a new Forest Society reservation when the Deering Conservation Commission partnered with the Forest Society and an anonymous donor to conserve the 91-acre forest.

Contributed Support
As the conservation easement holder, the Forest Society will help to steward the new Milan Community Forest, the creation of which was a multi-partner collaboration that ultimately yielded more than 1,300 protected acres.
Clockwise from top: The Dawson Memorial Forest in Hillsborough grew by 90 acres, thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor in collaboration with neighboring landowners; a rose-breasted grosbeak feeds its chick; a young participant in the Forest Society’s “Five Easy Hikes in Five Weeks” guided hiking series examines milkweed leaves at the Merrimack River Outdoor Education and Conservation Area in Concord.
In support of conserving working woodlands for the future, Board of Trustees member Lorin Rydstrom donated a conservation easement on a 374-acre property in Northfield.
The Forest Society added 22 more acres to its protected land ownership on Mt. Major, further protecting the trail network popular in all seasons.
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Through an outpouring of community support from the three towns of Madbury, Durham and Lee and crucial partnerships with grant funders, the Forest Society created the Powder Major’s Farm and Forest, a 192-acre reservation along the Oyster River.
A wild trout stream is but one attribute of a 233-acre property purchased by the Forest Society as an addition to the Black Mountain Forest Reservation in Sutton.
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Though we count donations to the Forest Society in dollars, their impact is reflected in the acres we protect, the policy goals we achieve, and the passion for conservation we inspire throughout New Hampshire. The Trustees and staff thank all supporters for their dedication to our mission, and we only regret that our space limits our annual listing to those donors who contributed $250 or more.
What Will We Leave Them?

Since 1901, members of the Forest Society have taken action to protect this land we call New Hampshire. Its natural beauty colors our lives. Our forests, lakes and streams contribute to the overall health and well being of our communities.

From the forests of the North Country to the shorelines stretching along the Connecticut River to the wetlands along the seacoast, our protective work becomes more and more important in a changing world. Ongoing care of our forests, mountains and fields nurtures an environment where wildlife thrives and the air and water can remain clean.

Your membership helps to preserve a way of life that is enriched by the landscape around us—the New Hampshire way of life.

Thank you for supporting the Forest Society. We can’t do it without you.

Above, clockwise from upper left: A young hiker peeks through blueberry bushes on Gap Mountain during a guided hike; a student celebrates reaching the Mt. Major summit; a little girl picks blueberries on the Morse Preserve; “5 Easy Hikes in 5 Weeks” participants explore the Creek Farm Reservation; and members of the Oyster River High School Sustainability Club gather during a fundraising event at the Powder Major’s Farm and Forest.

Front cover: Maple leaves by Forest Society volunteer Kate Wilcox.

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