



New England Forest Stories: The People - The Management - The Technical Knowledge 98th Annual Winter Meeting—March 27-29, 2018

Accommodations:

A block of rooms is held under the group name *New England Society of American Foresters* at the [Radisson Hotel Nashua](#). The single and double room rate is \$105 per night plus 9% New Hampshire room tax. Make your reservations by calling 1-800-333-3333. The event-price reservation cut-off date is March 12, 2018 at 5PM. After that date room requests will be on availability basis and at the current available rate.

Registration.

The fee schedule is most beneficial to those who register by February 15th. Online registration is available at www.nesaf.org or use the hard copy registration form in the January News Quarterly.

EXHIBITORS SPONSORS AND RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED

We have many opportunities to support this event. Please visit www.nesaf.org for a list of sponsorship opportunities and to donate electronically. Questions? Harold Cook welcomes your calls at his cell 603-496-5757; his office 603-323-7114; or email glp@nhland.com

Posters and Flash Talks

To engage all members, we are seeking both traditional poster presentations and flash talks. Researchers, field foresters and other land managers are encouraged to participate with a poster or flask talk, as sharing your experiences will benefit the entire membership.

An abstract is required for either poster or for a flash talk. The abstract includes a title and author's names, affiliations, and locations, and the lead author's contact information. The body of the abstract (not including names, etc.) is limited to 300 words.

The deadline for submission is February 23rd

The lead authors of posters and flash talks accepted for presentation will be notified by email by March 9th and accepted abstracts will be included in the spring NESAF News Quarterly.

Poster Guidelines: Posters will be in a prominent location and available for viewing on March 27th and 28th. NESAF will provide easels and 48 x 48 in foam core board for display. Please send your abstract to Tony D'Amato @ awdamato@uvm.edu by February 23rd.

Flash Talk Guidelines: The flash talk session is on **March 28th from 3 to 4:15**. Up to ten presentations will be selected from submitted abstracts. The 10-minute timeframe is *strictly* enforced with 7 minutes for presentation and 3 minutes for questions. All visual presentation need to be sent to Chris Woodall @ cwoodall@fs.fed.us and loaded before the session. Please send your abstract to Chris by February 23rd.

Alumni Socials

The time set aside for Alumni Socials is Wednesday, March 28th at 7:00 PM. Anyone interested in reserving space for their Alumni Social should contact Jon Horton at 603-271-2214. As in years past, alumni groups must contract with the hotel directly for catering needs. Jon can provide details.

Student Sponsors

Student registrations are provided at a below-cost discount to encourage their attendance. Please consider supporting this initiative in addition to your registration.

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Tuesday, March 27

8:00 am to 5 pm **Registration, Exhibits and Posters**

10:00 am to 10:30 am **Call to Order & Welcome**

Kevin Evans, NESAF Chair
 Maggie Machinist, Granite State Division Chair
 Susan Francher, General Meeting Chair

10:30 am to 12:00 noon

Keynote: North American Forest Partnership- Will Novy-Hildesley, Executive Director

Noon to 2:00 pm **Lunch and Business Meeting**

2:00 to 3:15 pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Ecology and Management of Northern Red Oak in New England

Speakers:

Karen Bennett, UNH Cooperative Extension,
 Bill Leak, U.S. Forest Service,
 Jeff Ward, Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station
 Mariko Yamasaki, U.S. Forest Service

Getting out the Good Forestry Message

Speaker:

Will Novy-Hildesley, North American Forest Partnership

The Quiet Corner Initiative in Northeast Connecticut

Speaker:

Mark Ashton, Yale University

3:15 to 3:30 pm **Break**

3:30 pm to 4:45 pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Emerging Forest Health Issues

Speakers:

Isabel Munck, U.S. Forest Service

 Bill Davidson, EAB program, NH Division of Forests and Lands

Timber Depletion – A “Value-Added” Service for Foresters

Speaker:

Andrew Fast, UNH Cooperative Extension

Ecology and Management of Habitats in Greatest Need of Conservation

Speakers:

Matt Tarr, UNH Cooperative Extension
 Kelly Bolland, Natural Resource Conservation Service

5:30 to 7:00 pm **Ice Breaker Reception**

7:30 pm **Black Fly Stories – Engaging Stories from your Colleagues** – Moderated by Charlie Levesque

Wednesday, March 28

8:00 am to 5 pm **Registration, Exhibits and Posters**

7:00 am to 8:00 am **Working Groups**

8:30 am to 9:45 am **Concurrent Sessions**

<p>The Ecological, Economic, and Social Benefits of Town and Community Forests</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Karen Bennett, UNH Cooperative Extension Andrew Fast, UNH Cooperative Extension John Gunn, UNH Cooperative Extension</p>	<p>Cross Laminated Timber – Expanding this Industry in New England</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Russell Edgar, University of Maine Frank Lowenstein, New England Forestry Foundation</p>	<p>Siting Recreational Trails for People and Wildlife</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Jim Oehler, NH Fish and Game Department, Rachel Stevens, NH Fish and Game Department</p>	<p>Communication Essentials for Today's Forestry Professional</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Kevin Doran, Maine Forest Service, Amanda Mahaffey, Forest Stewards Guild</p>
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9:45 am to 10:00 am **Break**

10:00 am to 11:15 am **Concurrent Sessions**

<p>Dead Wood in New England: Resource Analysis and Dynamics in the Context of Global Change</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Christopher Woodall, U.S. Forest Service Anthony D'Amato, University of Vermont Shawn Fraver, University of Maine</p>	<p>Maple Syrup Production Financial Benchmarks 2013 to Present and Updates on Current Research from Proctor Maple Research Center</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Mark Cannella, University of Vermont Mark Isselhardt, University of Vermont</p>	<p>Emerging Technology – What is the Science Fiction of Today that is in the Toolbox of Future Foresters?</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Will Mercier, James W. Sewall Company Mark Ducey, University of New Hampshire Tony Guay, University of Maine</p>	<p>What Every Forestry Business Needs to Know about Marketing</p> <p><i>Speaker:</i> Nancy Clark, Drive Brand Studio</p>
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11:20 am to 1:20 pm **Awards Luncheon**

1:30 pm to 2:45 pm **Concurrent Sessions**

<p>Use of Transmission Line Rights-of-Way and Regenerating Clearcuts by Shrubland and Mature Forest Songbirds</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Erica Holm, University of New Hampshire Matt Tarr, UNH Cooperative Extension</p>	<p>Changing Dynamics of Large Forest Ownerships in northern New England</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Spencer Meyer, Highstead Foundation Patrick Hackley, Fountains Land</p>	<p>Technology for Assessing Forest Disturbance and Structure</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Nate Torbick, Applied Geosolutions Russ Congalton, University of New Hampshire Ryan Hanavan, U.S. Forest Service</p>	<p>Wood Heat – Issues and Opportunities</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Maura Adams, Northern Forest Center Charlie Niebling, Innovative Natural Resource Solutions, John Gunn, UNH Cooperative Extension</p>
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Wednesday (continued), March 28

2:45 pm to 3:00 pm **Break**

3:00 pm to 4:15 pm **Concurrent Sessions**

<p>State of Forest Products Markets in the Northeast: and What's Next for Low Grade</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Eric Kingsley and Charles Levesque, Innovative Natural Resource Solutions</p>	<p>Silvicultural Practices in Urbanizing Areas</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Rich Hallett, U.S. Forest Service</p>	<p>Field-Ready Technology for Foresters and Lessons Learned</p> <p><i>Speakers:</i> Jarlath O'Neil-Dunne, University of Vermont Donn Downey, Forest Metrix Max Nova, Silviaterra</p>	<p>Flash Talks</p> <p>TBA</p>
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5:00 pm to 7:00 pm **Student Quiz Bowl and light supper for students pending sponsorship**

7:00 pm **Alumni Socials**

Thursday, March 29

7:00 am to 8:00 am **Coffee and Gather**

8 am to 12 noon **FIELD TRIPS**

<p>Forest Management in a Public Water Supply Ownership for New Hampshire's Largest City with Heavy Recreational Use</p> <p>Location – Manchester/Auburn</p> <p>Tour Leader – John O'Neil, Forester, City of Manchester</p>	<p>Habitat and Silviculture Projects</p> <p>Location – Merrimack or Londonderry</p> <p>Tour Leaders – Charlie Moreno, Consulting Forester and Matt Tarr, UNH Cooperative Extension</p>	<p>Durgin and Crowell White Pine Saw Mill</p> <p>Location - Springfield NH (1.25 hours northwest of Nashua)</p> <p>Tour Leaders – Steve Roberge and Brooks Weathers</p>
		<p>Workshop: 8:30 to noon</p> <p>Practical Ethics Workshop</p> <p>Marianne Patinelli-Dubay, State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry</p> <p>This workshop will introduce a variety of approaches to ethical problem solving. We will learn about six of the primary methods that we employ every day when faced with ethically weighted situations. Following a discussion about each approach, its central ideas and an overview of how the method works, we will put those techniques to use to reach consensus on a series of case studies/project situations provided by participants.</p>