

WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP of NORTHWEST MASSACHUSETTS

Forest-Based Economic Development and Conservation

MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the
Education, Outreach, and Research Committee
of the
Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts
(formerly Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership)*
on Monday, December 12, 2022 at 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

This will be a **Virtual Meeting** as allowed by “An Act Relative to Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations,” signed into law by Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker on July 16 2022, which extends the expiration of the provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec. 20, to March 31, 2023.

Members of the public are welcome. Please RSVP to Sophie Argetsinger to request a Zoom link to attend by emailing: sargetsinger@newenglandforestry.org

Agenda

1. Approval of minutes from October 17, 2022 Education, Outreach, and Research Committee meeting
2. Public comment
3. Update from Andrew Randazzo (Forest Ecologist with Mass Audubon) on the Rowe MVP grant and the Virtual Forest Center website project
 - i. Discussion about VFC stakeholder group
4. Updates on public panel featuring Ben Kargère, Jay Healy, Sean Mahoney, and a forester (TBD)
5. Updates on public webinar with Alexandra Kosiba, forest ecologist, Vermont Agency of Natural Resources: <https://www.uvm.edu/femc/person/alexandra-kosiba>
6. New Partnership logo, website, and social media ideas
7. Building the Forest Center partner agencies list
8. Any item(s) not anticipated within 48 hours
9. Adjournment

Committee members: Kate Lindroos Conlin (Massachusetts Forestry Alliance; chair), Joe Nowak (Adams), Hannah Poplawski (Rowe; notetaker), Rick Peltier (UMass); Paul Catanzaro (UMass), Keith Nislow (U.S. Forest Service)

*On Oct. 11, 2022, the Board of the public body created in 2018 voted unanimously to change its name from the “Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership” in its bylaws to Doing Business As the “Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts” and requested the state legislature and USDA Forest Service to officially establish and recognize the new name.