

MOHAWK TRAIL WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP
Forest-Based Economic Development and Conservation

MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the
Natural Resource Based Economic Development Committee of the
Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts
(formerly Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership)*
on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at 5:00 – 6:15 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. Call to order and welcome
2. Approval of minutes from November 30, 2022 NRBED Committee meeting
3. Draft metrics to recommend to the WPNM Board at the January 31 Board meeting
4. Discuss possibility of hosting a summer intern to help advance NRBED objectives
5. Discuss ways for the NRBED Committee to prioritize elements of the approved 2022-32 Woodlands Partnership Plan
6. Suggestions for a "quick facts" sheet about the region that could be shared with stakeholders or potential investors
7. Update on grant-funded Forest Center planning activities
8. Scheduling next NRBED meeting, and upcoming events
9. Any item(s) not anticipated within 48 hours
10. Public comment

Natural Resource Based Economic Development Committee Members: Jeffrey Thomas, Lever, Inc. (chair); Jay Healy, Charlemont; Zachary Feury, North Adams; Amy Shapiro, Franklin County Community Development Corporation; Colin Mettey, Conway.

*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.