

Land Use Planning Commission

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Mike Marshall	Big Lake Twp
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Bob Norman	" " "
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Please Print Clearly Big Lake Cell Tower

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✓	JIM HEBERT	BLACK DIAMOND CONSULTANTS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
②	Tony C Ramsdell	File Chief.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
③	Bras Richard	Princeton Resident	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Dannat Jordan Netzer	Princeton Resident	<input type="checkbox"/>
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⑤	Mike Marshall	Big Lake Twp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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✓ Richard Trافت	US Cellular	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
⑤ Sam McLean	Big Lake Twp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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④ Cheryl S. Cohen	Big Lake twrp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jerry & Margei Cochran	Barleyville	<input type="checkbox"/>
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JEN DUBOVICK	PRINCETON	<input type="checkbox"/>
Billy Hood	Princeton / Resident	<input type="checkbox"/>
MS ✓ John Farrell	Big LAKE TWP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Linda Woodruff	Princeton	<input type="checkbox"/>

List of Interested Public that testified.

- ① Mark Ranalli (oppose)
Not seeing true height/visual disturbance with
balloon, angled. SA states pocomoonshine mt and
true north/lake cannot be seen. Not true
scenic overlook on pocomoonshine and lake
can be seen from tower top. (submitted angles)
- ② Tony Ramsdell (support)
safety.
- ③ Brad Richards (support), safety
- ④ Bill Inglee (support), safety
- ⑤ Mike Marshall (oppose)
farm, bees, please move back to end of
lot to put more distance from protected
resources. (submitted comments.)
- ⑥ Bob Hood (support), safety
- ⑦ Sue McIver (support), safety w/ story.
- ⑧ Dana Kedy (oppose)
(submitted, night sky + comments + brochure)
- ⑨ Chris Cochran (support)
- ⑩ George Marts (support), safety with story.
- ⑪ James Holmus (support), safety.

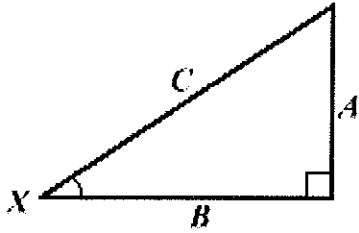
most of those who support state safety concerns
for those living and playing in the area.

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Mark Ranalli



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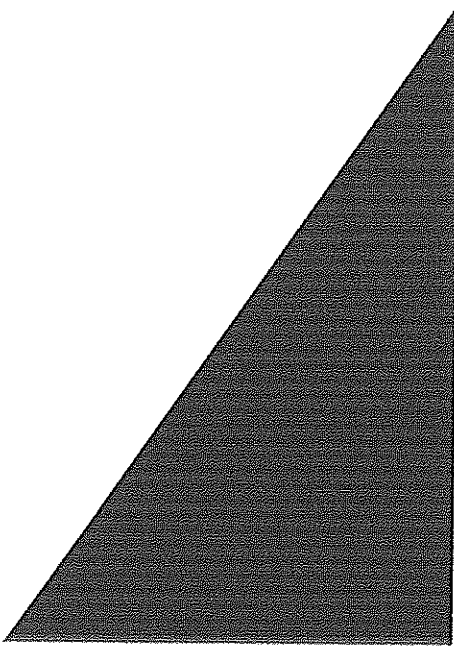
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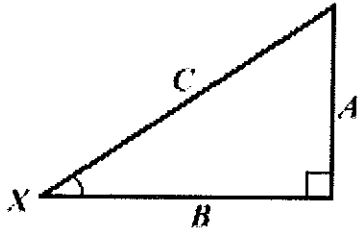
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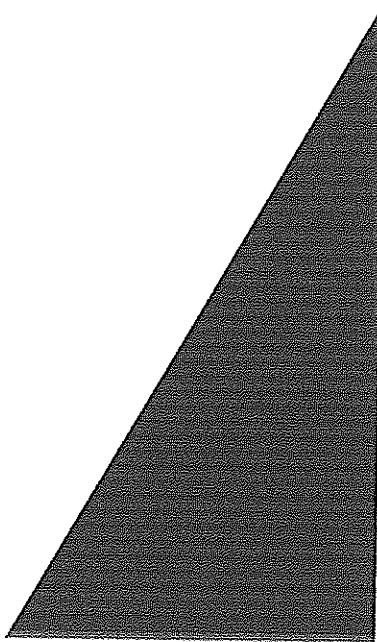
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Submittals Interested Parties
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Michael Marshall +
Nancy Marshall

Testimony of Michael Marshall
Big Lake Twp., Maine
August 13, 2014
Cell Tower

Good afternoon. I want to thank the Land Use Planning Commission commissioners for voting in favor of having this public hearing in Princeton. I know you did not have to do it. I also appreciate you taking the time to do a site visit of the proposed cell tower in Big Lake Township yesterday. I also appreciate the LUPC staff who have maintained a good line of communication.

My name is Mike Marshall and my wife Nancy and I live on a 45 acre farm abutting the Chris Cochran property. We share a 1361 foot boundary adjacent to the proposed cell tower site. My farm was first settled in 1859 by William Brown. From 1929 to 1959 it was owned by Alphonso and Geneva Perkins and was known as the Perkins Dairy Farm. I bought our farm in 1978. I hope Nancy and I live on this farm the rest of our lives.

I am personally in favor of landowner rights. However I do not believe landowners or corporations should do things on their property that endanger or negatively affect neighbors. There is no question this proposed cell tower would have a negative visual impact on neighboring residents and our tourists. Everybody including me appreciates the benefits of good cell phone coverage but most agree there are right ways and wrong ways to accomplish it.

My wife and I are retired. We use all parts of our property. We raise honey bees, produce maple syrup, grow vegetables and cut fire wood. I normally sell at least one truckload of logs that I harvest with my tractor each winter. We tip and cut Christmas trees on the property. Nancy and I each shot a deer for the freezer on the property last fall. We have hiking trails and two small ponds. We are members of the Small Woodlot Owners Association of Maine and the American Tree Farm Association. One may read conflicting articles about health risks associated with living in close proximity to radio waves generated by cell towers and the possibility of honey bee colony collapse disorder associated with cell towers. I do not personally know the answer. Certainly the cell tower people will tell you there are no risks. Well cigarette companies were a long time putting warnings on their cigarette packs.

It is my belief that the proposed location of this tower is too close to my property line. The Cochran property is about 1254 feet wide and about 44 acres. Any proposed tower could be located at the middle back part of the property, 600 feet from neighboring land. This would cause slightly more cost to the U S Cellular Corporation but would mitigate some of the adverse affects of the tower. I am sure the commissioners noticed how flat out terrain is in this area. It does not seem necessary that the tower be 250' tall.

I maintain a bow hunting stand, cut wood and collect maple sap near our common boundary. If that tower were to come down in an ice storm, I do not want the top of it to land on my property. Last winter the Department of Transportation shut down the Penobscot Narrows Bridge in Bucksport due to falling ice. When I am cutting wood in January or collecting maple sap in February and March on my land adjacent to the Cochran property, I do not want to be worried about dodging chunks of falling ice from a 250' steel tower. I once observed a fallen tower on the top of Passadumkeag Mountain. It reminded me of a railroad bridge sprawled across the landscape.

Last week I stepped out the door of my house and stood looking at the awesome super moon on a clear warm night. It was beautiful. Yesterday I stepped out my door and saw the balloon in the sky marking the site of the proposed tower in nearly the same spot in the sky. It doesn't seem right that for the rest of my life I should have to look through a steel tower with a red blinking light when I want to admire the next super moon. There are people here to testify in favor of this tower. It likely is not in their back yard. If a 250' cell tower was proposed next to their house, I believe their testimony today would be the same as mine. When I first heard about the cell tower proposal I visited Chris Cochran who is a friend and I have known since he was a kid. I want the best for him and his family but I wanted to express my concerns. I asked about the tower and he said he had been told not to say much about it because some people might be jealous. I told him I was not jealous because I would not want to put a cell tower on my property because I did not want to look at it. Now he wants one on his property and I still have to look at it. The aesthetics of the surrounding area would be permanently negatively affected. It does not make me feel any better to hear someone say, "Oh you will get used to it." That's like someone saying I would get used to a bunion in my foot.

As we observed the tethered balloon yesterday, there was a light breeze. The tether string was at quite a sharp angle. This most certainly would make the balloon lower in the sky than what the tower and associated antennas would be. It is interesting the slight breeze caused the balloon to nearly be flying over my property. If I were a pilot I might be concerned about the tower's close proximity to the Princeton Airport but I would defer any testimony about this to the Airport Authority if they so desire.

I have reviewed the report by Black Diamond Consultants. The work is incomplete at best and shoddy and slanted in favor of their client at worst. I own an abutting historical farm. They never contacted me. There is an ancient cemetery on the north side of my property in full view of the proposed site that was not documented. I could not find in their report that they ever went out in a boat on Big Lake. This 11,000 acre lake is known for spring salmon fishing and world class smallmouth bass fishing. There are several sporting camps on the lake and many guides earn a living guiding sportsmen there. I believe not assessing the visual impact of the tower from the lake is a grave error. If there is one industry we have left in this area besides making pulp, it is ecotourism.

It is obvious US Cellular wants to build a tower. However I have been informed there are other possible options like placing a cell phone antenna on the existing tower in Grand Lake Stream or possibly the existing tower on Indian Township. Why permit a blight on the landscape when there are other options?

It is my desire that there be no cell tower in my neighborhood. But if there has to be one I would ask the commissioners of the Land Use Planning Commission to mitigate the negative impact on the area residents and our environmental based economy. Please only approve a permit for the cell tower on the Cochran property if:

1. It is placed in the back center part of the property, a further distance from abutting landowners, the road and the lake. This would reduce the threat to neighbors of a falling tower or falling ice and some of the negative visual impact.
2. It is built to its lowest necessary height taking into account the flatness of surrounding terrain. This would reduce some of the negative visual impact as well as the threat to aircraft from the nearby Princeton airport.
3. It has a light installed that only comes on when an airplane is flying in the vicinity. This would reduce light pollution in the area.

Thank you for you time,

Mike Marshall
Big Lake Twp., Maine

Testimony of Nancy Marshall
August 13, 2014

My name is Nancy Marshall and my husband and I are abutting landowners to the proposed cell tower site in Big Lake Township. I do not wish to stand in opposition to progress, personal gain, or improved wireless communication for individuals or public safety agencies. My husband and I have many family and friends in the law enforcement and public safety community. I do however have concerns about any private corporation dictating how they are going to permanently change the landscape of our area without expressing any apparent concern for the health, welfare and economic impact on the area. We do not have a wealth of income in this area, but we do benefit from the harvest of renewable resources such as agriculture, forest products, fisheries and wildlife, and tourism. Big Lake plays a huge part in this industry. The neighboring community of Grand Lake Stream on the opposite side of the lake boasts the largest percentage of guides per capita than any other community in the State of Maine. The company's comment to the Cochran family to keep the plan for the proposed tower "quiet" says it all to me.

My hope is that the LUPC reins in large corporations and uses any rules and regulations within its power to govern the placement and the height of the tower to mitigate its effects on the landscape and community, without mitigating its usefulness.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Marshall".

Nancy Marshall

Dana Kaday

Submittals Interested Parties

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Dana Kaday

BIG LAKE TOWNSHIP

CELL TOWER APPLICATION

08-13-14

Dana Kaday

My name is Dana Kadey and I have a keen interest in the well-being of Big Lake Township. In the early 1800's my maternal great, great, great grandfather, Asa Crockett, moved from Deer Isle to Big Lake Township. He acquired land on the shore of Big Lake, now known as Crockett Point, and carved a farm out of the wilderness. His was one of many farms on the shore of Big Lake, all of which, except for the Ranalli place, have been swallowed up by the forest. Asa buried three of his children on the farm in 1865. He was buried beside them the next year.

Most of my life I have been a resident of Big Lake or Princeton. I own two homes in Big Lake Township and am concerned for the future of the place in which my roots run deep.

I rise today to oppose the cell tower application being considered by this commission. The proposed cell tower site is in the very center of the year round residences of Big Lake Township. To the north is the seasonal residential area.

When a group of us got wind of this cell tower project we attempted to contact Mr. Houde, of Black Diamond Consultants, by phone and e-mail. He was evasive. He provided us with no requested information and answered none of our questions.

1. Why this location?
2. Does this tower have a zone around it that makes cell phone service no better for those in that zone?

3. Will you work with us to make this more compatible with our community?
4. And others.

Despite this terrible treatment we still stand ready to help him with his cell phone tower project.

There is land available for this tower (multiple lots) $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the southwest of the proposed location, which could be made available for cell tower use.

While we would prefer to have no cell tower in Big Lake Township, if there has to be a tower to meet the communication needs as expressed here today, a location out of the population center is preferable. This southwest location is even farther away from the seasonal resident area and from the lake as well.

As a sixth generation resident of this area, I am concerned about the economic survival of the next generations yet unborn. One asset necessary for economic growth and vitality is space (land).

Commissioners, as you drove to this meeting you passed by thousands of acres of woods. You must think that we have a vast amount of land to access as a community. Unfortunately, that is not the case, Big Lake settlement is a small island in a vast conservation easement area. New England Forestry Foundation has the conservation rights to 78,800 acres of pristine lakes, 54,000 acres of productive wetlands, 445 miles of unspoiled shoreline, and 342,000 acres of remote forestland. Big Lake Township is surrounded by this conservation easement. We are land poor. By my analysis, the only thing we have which could provide

economic vitality is eco-tourism. The night sky - free of manmade light. Now US Cellular is asking you to take that from us.

One could argue that three cities are major centers for the world's financial fabric: New York, for North America, London for Europe, and Hong Kong for Asia. I have been privileged to spend some time in each of these three cities.

New York: The statue of liberty, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, pre 9-11, the World Trade Center, Central Park

London: The parliament, the themes, Piccadilly Circus, Theater tickets in Lester Square for the evening performance, the Sharp, the Eye, "Mind the Gap"

Hong Kong: The boats in the harbor walks up the Peak each morning before day break "Jo-Sun", the open air market, fresh chicken, turtle, snake, insects (still breathing but not for long), haggling with the sampan man for a cheaper ride.

Three cities bubbling with millions of people, the sites and sounds , exciting, full, fun, fascinating. But Big Lake Township has something that cannot be found in any of these three cities, and cannot be found in most of the world - populated with people. That something? On a clear night around mid-night Big Lake Township can show you the panorama of the universe where you can stand and see the universe without man made light and or manmade sounds. I have visited hundreds of places

in this world. The most awe producing experience is found right here. I never tire of that experience.

Over the past few months, we have had friends visit us from Seattle, Dublin, Frankfurt and Beijing. There is a special place that we shared with them. On a clear night around mid-night, that special place with no manmade light and no manmade sound. WOW!

They were in awe. "We have never had this experience before". "I didn't realize the sky is so large." "I catch myself holding my breath."

When we had the Irish there in that quiet, all of a sudden, a deer blew, followed by the call of a barred owl. "We can never experience this in Dublin"

The Eifel tower

Carlsbad Caverns

Windsor Castle

The Golden Gate Bridge

The Sistine Chapel

The Grand Canyon

The Blarney Stone

The white beaches of Hawaii

The Battle of the Bulge

The Hollywood Hills

The Mona Lisa

Venus De Milo

The Thinker

Paintings by Rembrandt, Michael Angelo, Van Goth

The Great Lakes

The General Sherman

The water falls of Costa Rica

Japan's temples

Acres of tulips in the Netherlands

The Hague

Ovi Salvador, you don't know Ovi? Ovi has a fruit stand in LaFeria, Texas.

All this and hundreds more, I've seen it all. But the greatest of these is our night sky.

Commissioners, I implore you – when you consider the tweet and the twitter, that you also consider the twinkle.

Twinkle, twinkle little star, how I wonder????

Dana Kaday E3

Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership

78,800 Acres of Pristine Lakes

54,000 Acres of Productive Wetlands

445 Miles of Unspoiled Shoreline

342,000 Acres of Remote Forestland

A CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

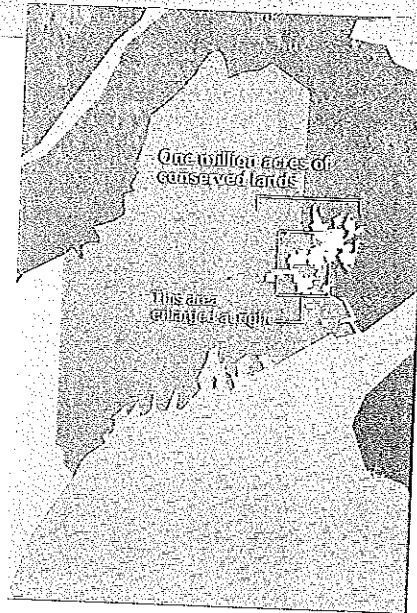
FOR SUSTAINABLE CONSERVATION OF 342,000 ACRES IN MAINE



CONSERVATION WITHOUT BORDERS

An Ambitious Undertaking

The Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership is a project of the Downeast Lakes Land Trust and New England Forestry Foundation to conserve 342,000 forested acres in eastern Maine. These acres — strategically positioned between more than 450,000 acres of conserved lands in New Brunswick, Canada, and 200,000 acres of state, federal and Native American lands in Maine — make the overall conservation impact inspiring. The completed project will forever secure one million acres of essentially uninterrupted habitat across an international boundary.



Species Protection on a Grand Scale

The Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership project lands and surrounding waters give haven to a unique concentration of thriving yet fragile and valued natural resources, including outstanding coldwater fish, rare flora and fauna, old-growth forests, and an array of migratory birds and mammals.

Habitat for Maine endangered species such as the sedge wren and small purple bladderwort will be protected for all time. The showy lady's slipper, a threatened species in Maine, along with grasses of special concern, will be insulated from the march of development.

The small population of Atlantic salmon will be offered a chance to rebound, and togue (lake trout), landlocked salmon and smallmouth bass will continue to enjoy some of the best habitat in the United States.

These lands and waters also support numerous mammal species, including moose, white-tailed deer, bobcat, black bear, beaver, otter, pine marten and fisher.

Birds of special concern and Partners in Flight species too numerous to list include Common Tern, American Bittern, American Coot, Northern Harrier, Merlin, Northern Goshawk, Yellow Rail, Spotted Sandpiper, American Black Duck, Common Loon.

These project lands support more than 10% of the loons in northern Maine.

Partners with a Vision

The protection of the lakes, rivers and forests of Downeast Maine has been a focal point for many conservation organizations and government agencies over the years, including the Downeast Lakes Land Trust, Woodie Wheaton Land Trust and the St. Croix International Waterway Commission. With the 1999 sale of Georgia-Pacific holdings in Maine and New Brunswick, the opportunity to forge a conservation strategy presented itself. The province of New Brunswick secured the Georgia-Pacific lands there, conserving them as Crown Lands and Ecological Reserve lands. In Maine, Wagner Forest Management, manager for the new owners of the Georgia-Pacific lands, approached the New England Forestry Foundation, Woodie Wheaton Land Trust, and Downeast Lakes Land Trust to pursue conservation options.

As a result, the New England Forestry Foundation signed an option to acquire a 500 foot wide conservation corridor along Spednic Lake and the St. Croix River, the international boundary of the state of Maine. In addition, the New England Forestry Foundation has signed an option to purchase a conservation easement on 312,000 acres of adjacent Maine forestland and, with the Downeast Lakes Land Trust, has signed an option to purchase 27,000 acres around Grand Lake Stream.

"Plants and animals know no lines on a map. We join you as partners in a conservation plan that recognizes this fundamental truth."

Donald Soctomah,
Passamaquoddy Tribe

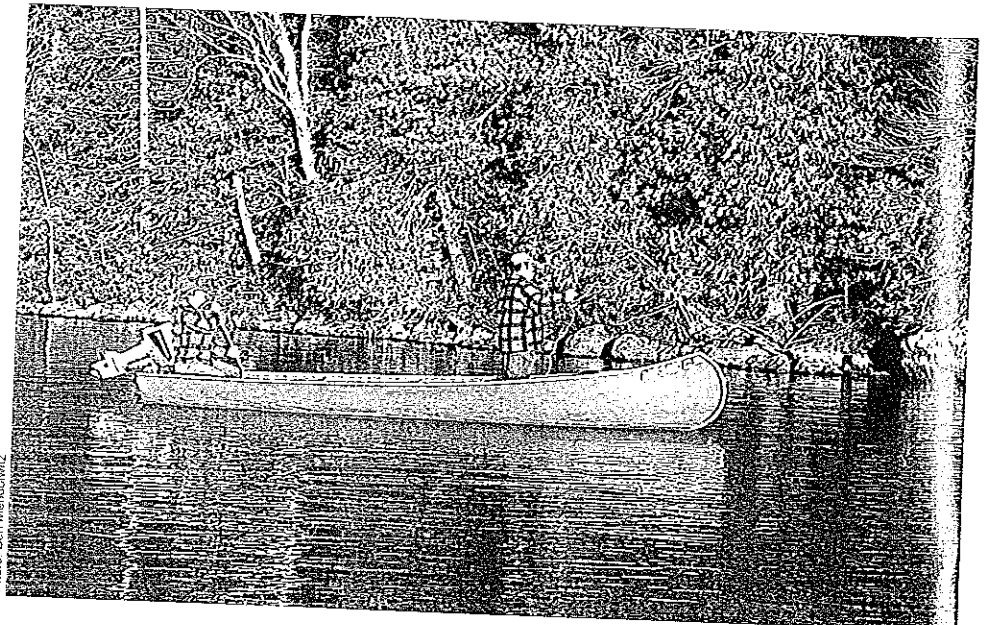
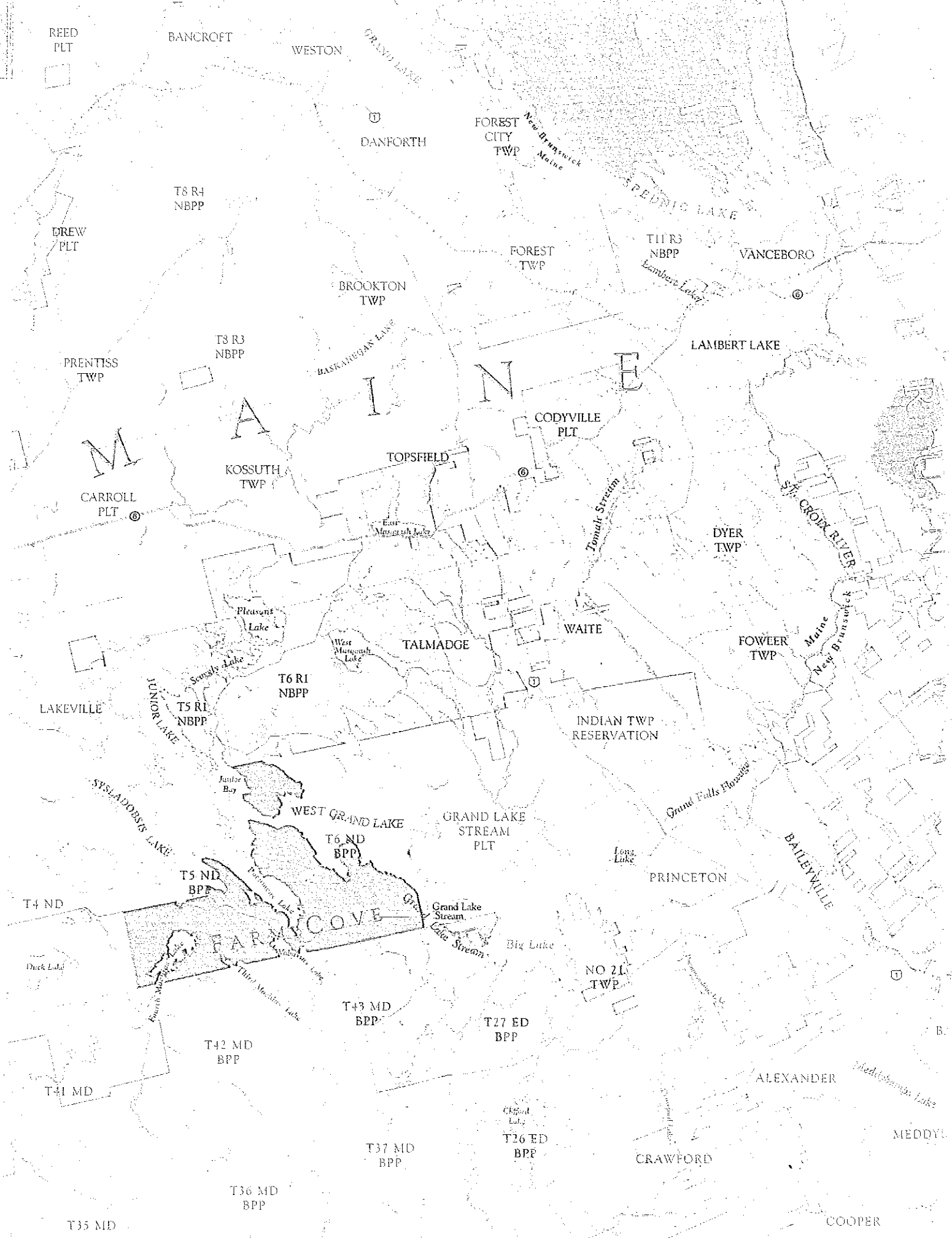


Photo: Ben Manschitz



People Sustained by the Land

The communities of Grand Lake Stream, Indian Township, Princeton, Topsfield and Forest City, Maine, are directly dependent on the natural-resource base for their livelihoods. Earning a living from the land — whether guiding fishermen or hunters, trapping, cutting wood, hosting ecotours, or managing a sporting camp — can only be sustained if the resource base is conserved. Local industries produce goods that are widely recognized for their superb craftsmanship and utility. Grand Laker canoes are a traditional craft with origins in Grand Lake Stream, Maine. The canoe, a 20-foot-long craft with a square stern, is designed to withstand the unique weather conditions of the region's large lakes. Canoe building, fly tying and basket making represent opportunities for residents to continue traditional uses of local resources. Their way of life can only continue if the natural resources are managed sustainably into the future.

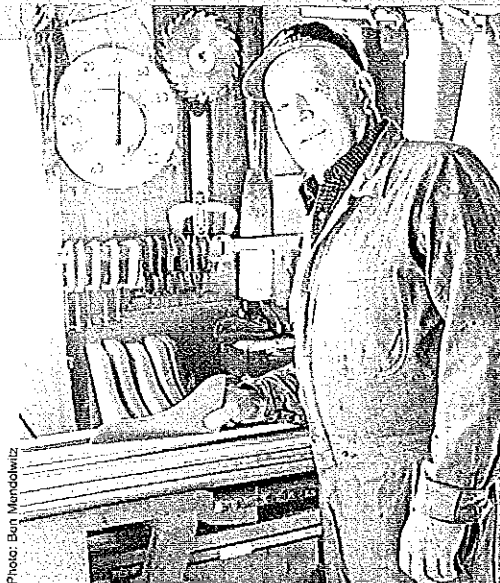


Photo: Ben Mandolwitz

Grand Laker canoe builder Ken Wheaton inside his workshop.

"I know of no other place where the community's traditional values are so dependent on the conservation of its richly endowed natural resources."

*John "Jake" Lee,
Leadership Committee chair*

stake — 78,800 acres of crystal-clear lakes, 54,000 acres of productive wetlands, more than 445 miles of uncluttered shoreline, and a surprisingly diverse forest ecosystem — nothing less than permanent conservation will suffice for the future.

Natural Resources Conserved

The Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership will preserve shoreline on more than 60 lakes and ponds, including West Grand, Big, Wabassus, Spednic, Fourth Machias, Sysladobsis, Scraggly, Lambert, Chains, Grand Falls Flowage and Clifford.

The St. Croix River, Machias River, Tomah Stream and Grand Lake Stream will remain as wild tomorrow as they are today.

Given the extraordinary resources at

Farm Cove Community Forest

At the heart of the Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership is the 27,000-acre community forest the Downeast Lakes Land Trust will purchase and manage. This forest is perfectly suited to community-scale management. The Downeast Lakes Land Trust has hired Seven Islands Land Company to complete a forest management plan for Farm Cove and will seek Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) green certification when the purchase is complete. As part of the forest management plan, the Downeast Lakes Land Trust has committed to establishing an ecological reserve on 3,450 acres in the Fourth Machias Lake area to complement the state's Duck Lake Reserve to the west. In addition, another 3,750 acres of upland forest will be included in the Reserve with management for late successional complexes, supporting an abundant wildlife population. The remaining acreage will be managed more traditionally for uses such as harvesting, guiding and traditional recreational pursuits. Income from the sale of forest products will be used to support sustainable forest management. The New England Forestry Foundation will hold an easement on the Downeast Lakes Land Trust purchase, ensuring the integrity of the forest in perpetuity.

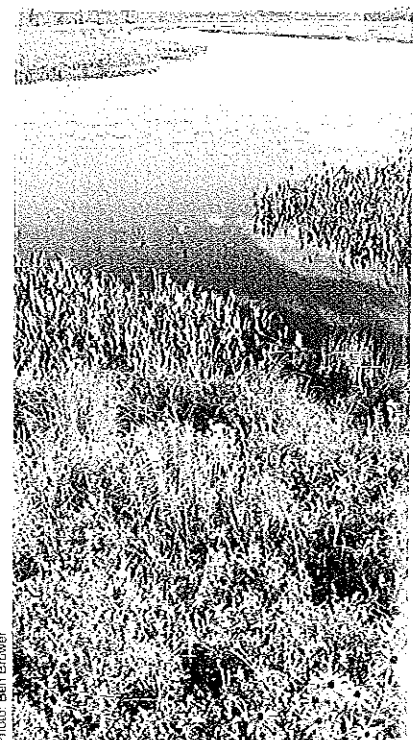
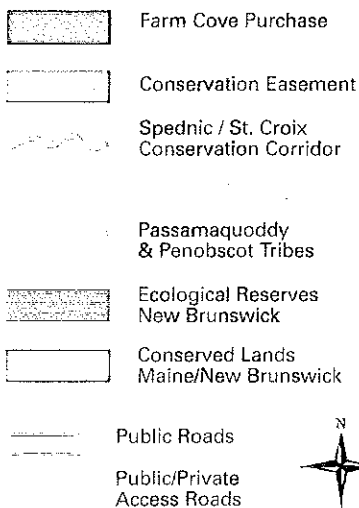


Photo: Ben Brewer

Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership



Map data obtained from Maine Office of GIS, Maine Dept. of Conservation, Bureau of Parks & Lands, Wagner Forest Management Ltd., New Brunswick Dept. of Natural Resources & Energy, New Brunswick Dept. of Tourism, Recreation & Heritage



Photo: Ben Brower

The Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership is committed to raising \$35 million by December 31, 2004, to:

- ✦ Purchase a conservation corridor along the international boundary of Spednic Lake and the St. Croix River.
- ✦ Acquire title to the 27,000 acres around Grand Lake Stream to be managed as an integrated community forest and ecological reserve by the Downeast Lakes Land Trust.
- ✦ Purchase a no-development, sustainable forestry easement on 312,000 acres to be held by the New England Forestry Foundation.
- ✦ Endow a monitoring fund and management fund, as well as raise the transactional costs necessary for project completion.

*"This land is
our heritage, our
international corridor
and the resource
base upon which our
future depends."*

*John Baldacci,
Governor of Maine*

The Partners

The New England Forestry Foundation and the Downeast Lakes Land Trust are partners in this extraordinary effort to conserve 342,000 acres in an area famous for its unspoiled scenery and abundant wildlife.

Founded in 1944, the New England Forestry Foundation is a regional conservation organization that promotes sustainable forest management throughout New England. NEFF owns 21,000 acres of forestland and holds easements on more than 780,000 acres of forestland.

The Downeast Lakes Land Trust was established to conserve the lands around Grand Lake Stream so the community could maintain its traditions and resource base. With the success of this project, DLLT will own the 27,000-acre Farm Cove peninsula and manage the forestland as a community forest to promote economic development, sustainable resource management and ecological reserves.

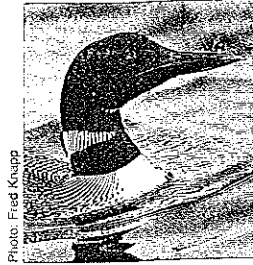


Photo: Fred Knapp

"The protection of these forests will have a tremendous impact on maintaining our air quality into the future. We need to conserve these lands for the health of our children."

*Judith Guggenhime,
Leadership Committee member*

A Call to Action

The New England Forestry Foundation, the Downeast Lakes Land Trust and a number of volunteers including Leadership Committee members have committed their time for the next two years to raise the \$35 million needed to complete the landscape-scale conservation effort outlined here. To make the project a success we need your help. This opportunity to conserve so much forestland and uninterrupted habitat will not come again. We must act now.

You can help by making a generous donation to the Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership. To learn more about the campaign, contact Tim Storrow, deputy director of NEFF, at 978-544-1514 or Stephen Keith, executive director of DLLT, at 207-796-2100. Send your contribution to the New England Forestry Foundation at P.O. Box 1099, Groton, MA 01450.

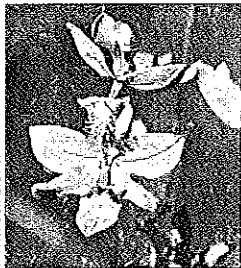


Photo: Ben Brower

"Unless we protect our few remaining truly remote lakes, they will soon be rimmed with houselots. Floodlights rather than starlight will illuminate the night sky."

*Dale Wheaton,
Woodie Wheaton Land Trust*

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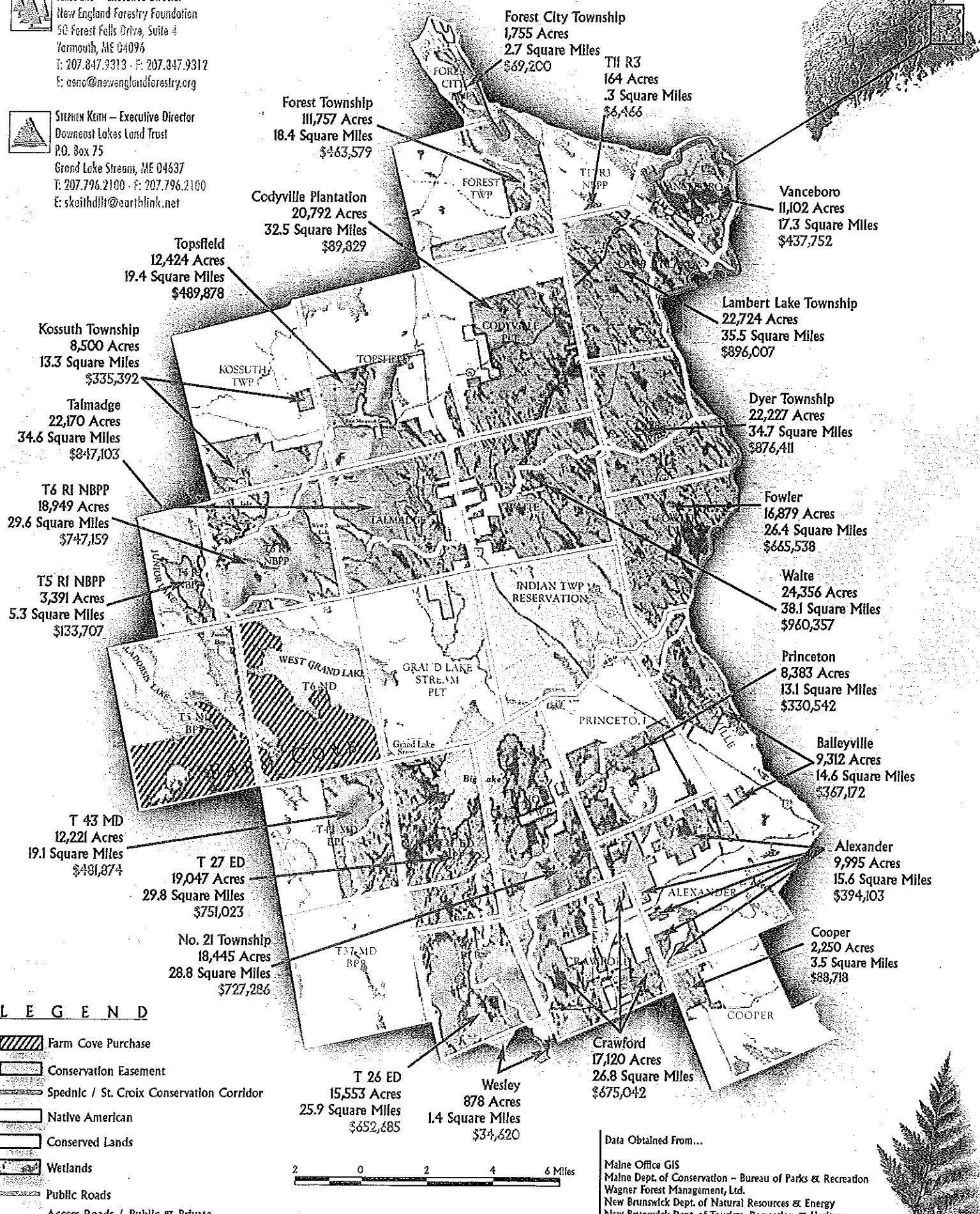
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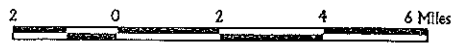


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The Partnership is purchasing 27,080 acres in fee and a conservation easement over 312,000 acres of forestland. See the other side for a map of this part of Washington County, Maine.

The easement costs \$39.43 per acre and we must purchase all of the easement. The option to purchase this easement needs to be exercised by February 28, 2005 with a closing by May 28, 2005. The easement will extinguish development rights forever across these lands.

We are asking that each of you reach out and help us make this conservation project a success by donating \$39.43 to protect one acre, \$394.30 to protect 10 acres, or \$3,943.00 to protect 100 acres.

Conserving this much contiguous acreage will help conserve both fish and wildlife habitat, thus assuring the continuation of hunting and fishing in the area, a way of life that has dominated this area for centuries.

Conservation will also assure that the forest will always be available to support logging, papermaking, wreath making, brown ash basketry, maple syrup production, and canoe building, all local enterprises now found in the area. The project will protect 445 miles of lake shoreline, 54,000 acres of important wetlands and 1,500 miles of shoreline on lakes and streams.

Conserving this area provides needed habitat for black bears, moose, deer, bobcat, otter, beaver, pine marten, grouse, woodcock, brook trout, landlocked salmon, Atlantic salmon, smallmouth bass, common loons, American bald eagles, osprey, and more than 180 other bird species.

We need your help today to make sure this habitat is here tomorrow. Without your help it may be gone forever.



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