

***A Field Workshop Series
Defining and Discussing Ecological Forestry
On the Ground and in the Woods***

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- June 15, 2007
Friday
Dartmouth College Grant, North of Errol, NH. View various timber harvesting practices. Discuss the timber - recreational interface, ecological inventory methods including snag and down woody material protocols. Kevin Evans, Guild member and Dartmouth College forester will be our host. This is the 200th anniversary of the Dartmouth College Grant. Let's help them celebrate! Meet at the entrance to the Grant.
- June 30, 2007
Saturday
Grafton County Farm and Woodland, North Haverhill, NH. This publicly owned forest of 426 acres has been intensively managed since 1982 by UNH Cooperative Extension Foresters. View a variety of silvicultural practices including forest stand improvement work, shelterwood and selection harvests and regeneration successes and failures. Northam Parr, Grafton County Extension Forester and Guild member is our tour guide. Meet at the Grafton County Extension Services Offices on the west side of Route 10 in North Haverhill, NH.
- July 27, 2007
Friday
Sheldon Springs & Bakersfield, VT. Nancy Patch, a private Consulting Forester and principal of North Woods Forestry and a Forest Guild member will host our tour of two managed woodlands. The Sheldon Springs site consists of 451 acres of which 349 acres are productive forestland. The Bakersfield property is 789 acres with 592 acres in productive forest. We will view and discuss single tree and group selection and small patch cuts made over the last three years, regeneration challenges and compare traditional skidding by cable skidder and a bulldozer/forwarder system. Meet at west of Sheldon Springs at the mini-mart on the South side of Route 105.
- July 28, 2007
Saturday
Brunswick Gardens Forest land and Essex Timber. Tour the Whittaker family forest with Brendan Sr. (Guild member) and Brendan Jr. Discuss their approach to spruce/fir management over the last 50 years. View Forest Stand Improvement work and low impact harvesting techniques that have utilized a farm tractor and Farni winch. Small harvests have occurred on an almost annual basis since the 1960s. We will eat lunch, generously provided by Essex Timber, at the Whittaker Farm and then proceed to nearby Essex Timberland (formerly Champion International) with our afternoon host and Guild member, Jim Wood of North Country Environmental and Forestry. This will provide an opportunity to discuss the ownership objectives of a TIMO and the challenges of managing former industrial lands. Riparian buffers and moose browse impact on regeneration will also be discussed. Meet at Brunswick Gardens/Whittaker homestead, 1788 VT Route 102 in Brunswick, VT.

General information for all field tours: All tours meet at the designated sites at 9:00 AM sharp. All field tours are held rain or shine; dress appropriately. Lunch is bring your own except for the 28 July tour; please register for this tour so that the appropriate number of lunches can be available. Thanks again to Essex Timberlands for providing lunch.

For additional information: Contact Ehrhard Frost, NH and VT State Forest Guild Coordinator at (802) 785-4749 for information on all workshops.