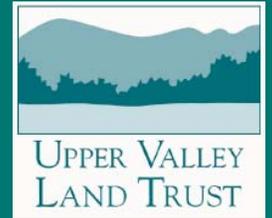


Smith Pond Shaker Forest



High on the ridge of Shaker Mountain in Enfield, 995 acres of forestland connects two large parcels owned by NH Fish and Game to create one contiguous forest block of over 5000 acres, the centerpiece of which is 63-acre Smith Pond. This property has been a long standing conservation objective for both public agencies and private conservation groups because of its outstanding natural resources and habitat values.

Now there's an opportunity to ensure the future of the forest and wetlands of the Smith Pond Shaker Forest area. Success depends on contributions from Upper Valley residents, neighbors, and the conservation community.



Project Scope

The Upper Valley Land Trust (UVLT) will purchase and own the entire parcel as a preserve for longterm restoration and forest stewardship. We envision this as a community forest that is a popular hiking destination with trails to the pond and waterfalls and the historic dams and canals that once supplied water to the Enfield Shaker Village.

Restoration will include culvert replacement and stabilization of soil to improve stream flows and fish passage affected during past logging work.

The landowner has agreed to a charitable sale of the property 37% below appraised value.

UVLT is raising \$1,500,000 to buy the property. We've received a state grant for about 25% of the purchase price.

Please join with us to conserve this special place!

Conservation Solutions for the Places You Love

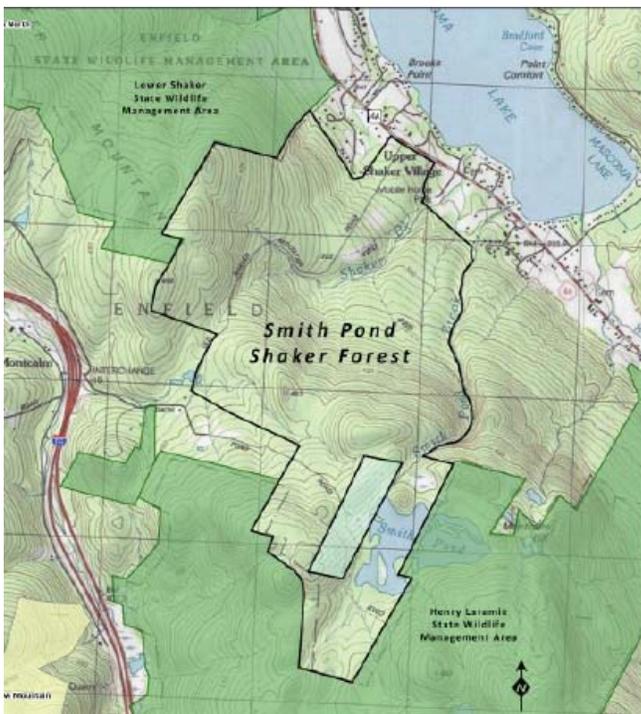
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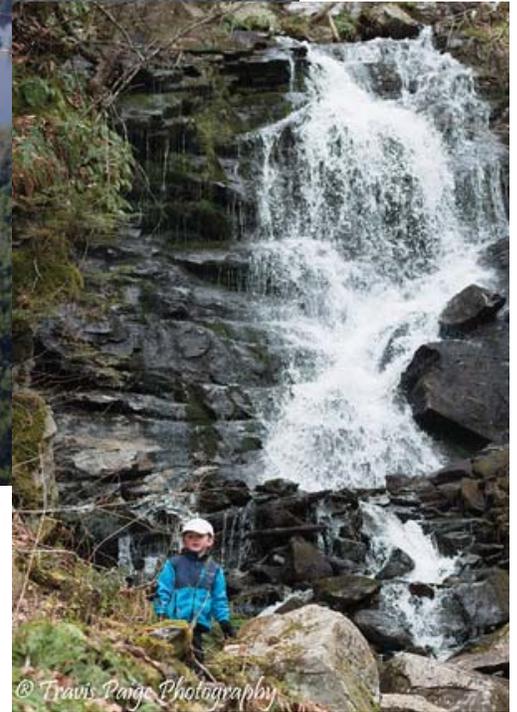
- Creates 5000-acre protected forest block
- 1.5 miles of frontage on Smith Pond
- 828 acres ranked as some of the highest quality habitat in New Hampshire
- 114 acres of wetlands and 4.6 miles of streams including 2 scenic waterfalls
- Nesting loons, turtles and other species of interest
- Historic stonework and canals associated with Enfield Shaker Village
- Natural area for outdoor enthusiasts, schoolchildren, vacationers

YOU CAN HELP!

Make your gift payable to:
Upper Valley Land Trust
19 Buck Road
Hanover, NH 03755

or make a secure online contribution at:
www.UVLT.org





Questions about Smith Pond Shaker Forest?

How was this property selected for conservation?

This property has long been recognized by local, regional and state plans for its significance in the Upper Valley landscape. UVLT reached out to the landowner to arrange a transaction that will protect the forest habitat and water resources and historic features forever and offer recreational and educational opportunities for the public.

Why does UVLT own land?

While many of the properties that UVLT conserves remain in private hands, our goal in outright ownership is to ensure that all Upper Valley residents have the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of conserved land and participate in its stewardship. The lands we own are available as outdoor classrooms for all ages.

Will UVLT pay property taxes?

Yes. The Smith Pond Shaker Forest property is presently enrolled in New Hampshire's Current Use program and will remain so.

Will UVLT post the land against hunting?

UVLT does not plan to post against hunting of locally abundant species. Deer hunting is usually beneficial since excessive deer browse harms forest regeneration and encourages invasive plant species.

About UVLT

The Upper Valley Land Trust is a non-profit land conservancy that works in 45 Vermont and New Hampshire towns in the Connecticut River watershed. UVLT provides conservation leadership, tools and expertise to permanently protect the working farms, forested ridges, wildlife habitat, water resources, trails and scenic landscapes that surround residential areas and commercial centers and make the Upper Valley a special place to live.

Please join us as we come together to realize important conservation goals and explore and respect the lands entrusted to us.

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