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New Harvard Forest Report: Forests, Funding, and Conservation in Decline across New England

WHAT: Press webinar and teleconference with lead authors of the new study, *Wildlands and Woodlands, Farmlands and Communities*, to be published on Sept. 19 by the Harvard Forest, Harvard University with Highstead. Written by a team of 31 experts led by Harvard Forest Director Dr. David Foster the report is the most up-to-date and comprehensive look at the state of the New England landscape. It provides data on conservation trends and threats in each of the six New England states, a vision for using forest and farmland protection to bolster the region's health and resilience, and a call to action for accomplishing the vision.

WHEN: Tuesday, September 19, 2017
10:00 am to 11:00 am ET

WHERE: CONNECT ONLINE:
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WHO: David Foster, lead author and director of the Harvard Forest
Jonathan Thompson, Senior Scientist, Harvard Forest
Kathy Fallon Lambert, Project Director, Harvard Forest
Spencer Meyer, Senior Conservationist, Highstead

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Embargoed content available upon request. A **Press Availability** with report authors will occur at 3 pm on Sept. 19th before the report launch event in Cambridge, MA. Details available upon request.

About the Harvard Forest - the 4,000-acre Harvard Forest in Petersham, MA has served as Harvard University's rural laboratory and classroom since 1907. The Forest is protected from development and operates under a long-term management plan with areas designated for forest management, agriculture, scientific experiments, and wildland reserves. Harvard Forest has been a National Science Foundation-funded Long-Term Ecological Research (LTER) site since 1988.

About Highstead – Highstead is a not-for-profit organization that has worked with regional partners since its founding in 1982 to conserve the landscape of New England through science, stewardship, and land protection from its headquarters in Redding, Connecticut.

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