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Forests and Lakes – For People – Forever
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Partner Information

About Downeast Lakes Land Trust

Downeast Lakes Land Trust is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 2001 by local residents in Grand Lake Stream, Maine, with a slogan of “Forests and Lakes – For People – Forever”. The trust contributes to the long-term economic and environmental well-being of the Downeast Lakes region through the conservation and exemplary management of its forests and waters. The trust sustainably manages the 33,708-acre Farm Cove Community Forest for wildlife habitat, forest products, and public recreation, as described on its web site, www.downeastlakes.org. Downeast Lakes Land Trust received *Down East Magazine*’s Environmental Award in 2006, was named a 2006 Landowner of the Year by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, in 2007 became the first local land trust in Maine to earn Forest Stewardship Council Forest Management certification, and in 2011 received the Espy Land Heritage Award from Maine Coast Heritage Trust.

About Lyme Timber

The Lyme Timber Company LP is a private timberland investment management organization (TIMO) that focuses on the acquisition and sustainable management of lands with unique conservation values. Since its founding in 1976, the Company has followed a disciplined and value oriented approach to investing in forestland and rural real estate. The Lyme team has extensive experience managing and operating land throughout the Northeast, Appalachian region, and Lake States of the US. The Company’s current portfolio includes 475,000 acres of forestland located in New York, Wisconsin, Pennsylvania, Maine, Massachusetts, Tennessee, Virginia, Delaware, and Louisiana. The Company lands are primarily certified under the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification program. Over 30 million board feet of FSC certified logs are harvested from Lyme lands annually.

About the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation, & Forestry

The Division of Parks and Public Lands, within the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry manages 48 state parks and historic sites, 600,000 acres of public reserved land and 2.3 million acres of submerged land and provides conservation oversight monitoring of 730,000 acres of conservation easements on private lands. Its multiple-use guidelines provide an extraordinary array of working forests, wildland preserves, outdoor recreation, and more than 20,000 miles of ATV, snowmobile, waterway and coastal trails.