

The Town of Conway owns two forested properties: **The Fournier Property** near the Grammar School and **The Town Farm Property** off Cricket Hill Road.

One stated objective of the Stewardship Plans developed to guide the care for these properties is removing invasive species which have become numerous in some areas on both properties. Asiatic bittersweet, honeysuckle, barberry and multiflora rose are some of the most commonly found perennial invasive species. They threaten the healthy native plant communities which sustain biological richness, plant diversity and forest resilience.

The Forest and Trails Committee has been removing invasive species, primarily Asiatic honeysuckle, from the trailhead on the Fournier Property. We have made good progress and look forward to completing the trailhead areas at Fournier over the next two months. We are asking interested members of the public to join us in these efforts.

If you are interested in invasive species removal, in planting native ground covers, shrubs and understory trees or in trail maintenance, please let us know by sending your email address to Cynthia Lawton-Singer at lagd2101@gmail.com (please put "Conway invasives" in subject line) so we can keep you informed when these work dates are being planned.

Our next work parties are on Sunday, July 16 and Sunday, August 13, 10am – 12 noon. We will meet at Conway Grammar School in front of the playground area.