WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP of NORTHWEST MASSACHUSETTS

A Mission of Natural Resource Based Economic Development, Forest Conservation, & Municipal Financial Sustainability

MEETING NOTICE

A joint meeting of the Executive Committee & Municipal Financial Sustainability Committee of the Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts

March 18, 2025: 4-5:30 p.m.

This is a virtual meeting. Members of the public are welcome to attend. Meeting link below. Direct questions to kconlin@newenglandforestry.org.

Agenda

- 1. Call to order and welcome
- 2. Introduction of guests
- 3. Agent overview of current PILOT reform proposals & Partnership-hosted April 7 public event
- 4. Discussion of various avenues for reform: <u>Auditor recommendations</u>; <u>Auditor's legislation</u>; <u>Rep. Blais & Sen.</u> Comerford legislation
- 5. Public Comment with time for invited guests to share their perspectives
- 6. Agent update: Fundraising Plan progress; June 24 Annual Meeting at Greylock Glen; National Heritage Area Feasibility Study; Emergency Services Study; Draft Land Acknowledgment
- 7. Any item(s) not anticipated within 48 hours
- 8. Public comment
- 9. Adjourn

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Municipal Financial Sustainability Committee members: Sam Haupt—*Peru (chair);* Ron Bosley—*Florida;* Liz Kidder— Leyden; Mark Phelps—*New Ashford;* Art Schwenger—*Heath*