



Department of Conservation and Recreation
Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DCR Announces Public Meetings for Forest Management Projects in Savoy, October Mountain, Windsor, Beartown, Templeton, Townsend and Myles Standish State Forests

The Department of Conservation and Recreation's (DCR) Bureau of Forestry will be hosting the following public meetings to discuss seven forest management projects:

- Tuesday, April 2, 2019 - 6 pm – DCR Western Regional Headquarters, 740 South Street, Pittsfield, MA 01202. Four projects will be presented. The project located at Savoy State Forest proposes to use uneven age and even age management in both mixed hardwood stands and softwood stands to regenerate native species, Windsor State Forest proposes to use a combination uneven/even age management system (irregular shelterwood) in Norway spruce and white pine plantations to regenerate native species; October Mountain State Forest propose to use even age management in Norway spruce plantations to regenerate native species; the project located in Beartown State Forest proposes to remove hazard red pine, Norway spruce and white pine plantation trees and white ash from around state forest buildings, infrastructure and roadways.
- Monday, April 8, 2019 - 6 PM – Athol Town Hall, 584 Main St, Athol, MA 01331. A project at Templeton State Forest will be presented. The project proposes to use even age management in a red pine plantation to release and further regenerate native species.
- Tuesday April 9, 2019 – 6 PM – Trustees of the Reservations – Doyle Center, 464 Abbott Avenue, Leominster, MA 01453. A project in Townsend State Forest will be presented. The project proposes to use a combination uneven/even age management system (irregular shelterwood) to regenerate native species in a red pine plantation.
- Tuesday April 9, 2019 – 6 PM - DCR South Regional Headquarters, 194 Cranberry Road, South Carver, MA 02366. A project in Myles Standish State Forest will be presented. The project proposes to remove a Norway spruce plantation to rehabilitate the pitch pine scrub oak barrens native to this site.

The proposals may be viewed at this website address: <https://www.mass.gov/guides/forest-management-projects>

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