



**Department of Conservation and Recreation
Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**DCR Otter River Complex Resource Management Plans
Draft Release Public Meeting**

Thursday, August 21st @ 6pm – 7:30pm

Register for the meeting via the [Zoom Registration Link](#).

The Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) has prepared draft Resource Management Plans for the following thirteen properties in its Otter River Complex: Ashburnham State Forest, J. Harry Rich State Forest, Lake Dennison Recreation Area, Lawton State Forest, Otter River State Forest, Pearl Hill State Park, Petersham State Forest, Royalston State Forest, Squannacook Brook State Forest, Templeton State Forest, Townsend State Forest, Willard Brook State Forest, and Winchendon State Forest. Copies of these plans are available on the [Central Highlands District RMPs](#) web page.

The public will be invited to provide comments during the meeting, after the presentation, by unmuting their microphones, or the chat functionality that will be available through the virtual participation platform. After the meeting, the presentation will be available for viewing on DCR's [Past events for DCR Public Meetings Information](#) web page. DCR encourages the public to share additional feedback, with a deadline for receipt of comments by DCR of September 20th, 2025. Comments may be submitted via the [DCR public comment portal](#). Please note that the content of comments you submit to DCR, along with your name, town, and zip code, may be posted on DCR's website. Additional contact information required when commenting, notably email address, will only be used for outreach on future updates on the subject project or property.

If you have agency-related questions or concerns or would like to be added to an email list to receive DCR general or project-specific announcements, please email Mass.Parks@mass.gov or call 617-626-4973.

Online live language interpretation is available upon request and with advanced notice to mass.parks@mass.gov or 617-872-3270. Please specify which language is being requested. Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request and with advanced notice to Melixza G. Esenyie, ADA and Diversity Manager at the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, at Melixza.Esenyie2@mass.gov. Include a description of the accommodation that will be needed and please include as much detail as possible. Please also include a way you can be contacted if more information is needed. Last minute requests will be accepted, but it may not be possible to fulfill the request.