May 19, 2010

Grants Administrator Norcross Wildlife FDTN PO Box 269 Wales, MA 01081

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Windham Land Trust (WLT) was formed in 2000 by a small group of residents determined to save a pristine piece of land from development. WLT is an all volunteer 501 (c) (3) organization. It is the mission of WLT "to conserve, protect and preserve the natural resources in Windham, and surrounding Maine areas."

This grant request of \$4825.00 is for mapping software, computer, projector and hand held GPS to aid us in conservation and acquisition planning, wildlife habitat monitoring and property stewardship.

At present we own three properties and hold a conservation easement on one additional property. We are in the process of developing strategic conservation plans for each of these properties which include:

- Black Brook Preserve, Windham Maine; a 105 acres of wildlife inhabited forest and wetlands encompassing the source point of the Black Brook which is part of the Presumpscott River Watershed.
- Pringle Wildlife Preserve, Windham Maine; Otter Brook flows through this small 17 acre parcel creating a wetland habitat that is home to a variety of birds and native wildlife.
- Frog Hollow Farm, Gorham Maine; A 63 acre parcel consisting of a large forested area, two small ponds and a large deer wintering area.
- Freeman Farm in Gray Maine; we hold a conservation easement on this 88 acre property which is mostly wooded and at the present time is not open to the public. The Windham Land Trust ensures that the area remains undisturbed and wild, except for occasional harvesting of trees according to a sustainable forestry plan.outreach, and increasing trail connectivity through regional mapping.

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