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*Cover picture is taken from
lower Moxham Mountain in
the Vanderwhacker Mountain
Wild Forest area.*

Dear PROTECT Members,

The phrase "forever wild" has always been a magical phrase to me. It not only was intended to guide law and management of our Forest Preserve lands, but was aspirational in that New Yorkers could actually set aside vast tracts of land to be let alone so they could grow wilder year after year, decade after decade. While early framers of the Forest Preserve were more concerned with protecting the headwaters of New York's great rivers, forever wild has grown into a beacon for Wilderness that has shined around the world for over a century.

Forever wild lands were placed off limits to development, and that says something important, given that they were located just a few hundred miles from New York City and Boston. These laws allow only the most benign recreational uses on these wildlands. Today, the Forest Preserve provides wild outdoor experiences—climbing mountains, hiking through beautiful forests, and paddling on lakes and rivers—and these places will remain wild for all times.

Though I worked for decades advocating for Wilderness areas and wildlife reserves across the country and particularly in Alaska, it always awed me and inspired me that in New York, a mere five hours from Manhattan and simply up the I-95 corridor from the most densely populated area in the U.S., there was 2.6 million acres of forever wild areas in the Adirondacks (and another 375,000 acres in the Catskills), nearly 10% of New York permanently set aside.

Protect the Adirondacks has long roots in defending and upholding forever wild. Our historic legacy of advocacy and grassroots work on behalf of the Forest Preserve goes back 114 years. The pages of this annual report provide important updates on the latest fights to defend forever wild. The reality of advocacy is that no deal is ever done and no victory is ever permanent; we have to remain constantly vigilant against both new threats and the persistent efforts to rollback and unwind environmental protections.

I think that we've been successful at bringing constant vigilance to the daily focus and work of Protect the Adirondacks. We not only need greater protections for the Forest Preserve, lakes and rivers, (forests) backcountry, and wildlife of the Adirondacks, but have to defend against a variety of efforts to weaken protections that have been put in place over the years.

One of my goals in the years ahead is to spend a lot of time at my camp on Hoel Pond. Another is to continue to grow our organization. We aim to grow our membership and budget so that we can get more people involved in the work to protect the Adirondack Park and expand our programs. These are critical times for Forest Preserve and the great open spaces of the Adirondacks, and I'm convinced that PROTECT brings an indispensable voice that must be heard on the major decisions facing the Adirondacks.

One thing I'm especially pleased to report to our members is that 90% of the monies that PROTECT raised in our last fiscal year went to our program and advocacy work. This is a very high standard for any non-for-profit to meet. We spent just 6% on administration and 4% on fundraising. We strive to make constant improvements and to stretch your generous contributions to make the greatest impact we can to protect the Adirondack Park.

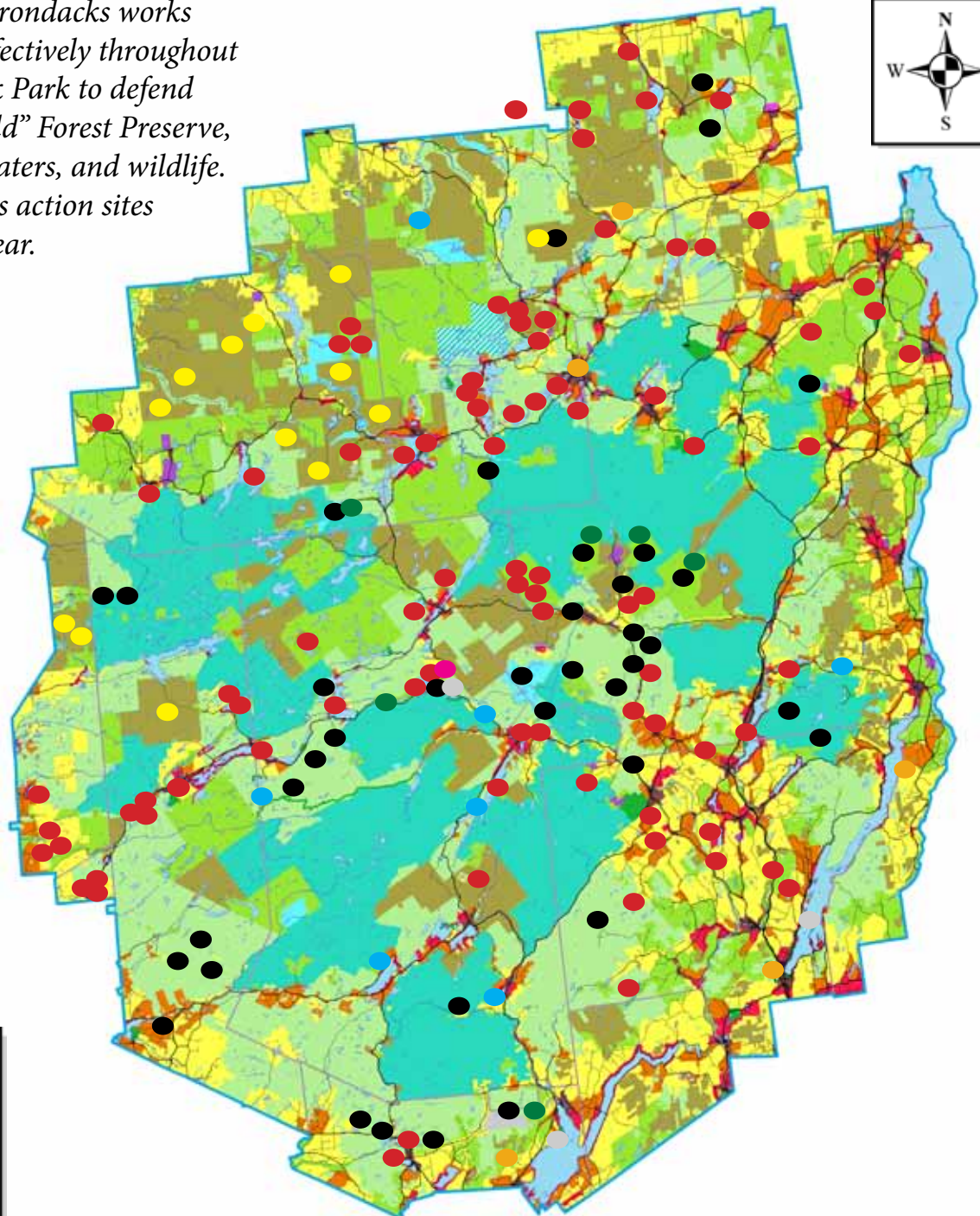
None of this would be possible without the generous support of PROTECT members. I am extremely grateful to you all. Thank you.

— Chuck Clusen, Chair
Protect the Adirondacks



2014-2015 Protect the Adirondacks' Action Map

Protect the Adirondacks works broadly and effectively throughout the Adirondack Park to defend the “forever wild” Forest Preserve, great forests, waters, and wildlife. This map shows action sites over the past year.



-  Conservation Success Action Site
-  Clearcutting Action Site
-  Invasive Species/Local Laws Action Site
-  Forest Preserve Management Action Site
-  Private Land Development Action Site
-  Water Quality Monitoring Action Site
-  Cougar Watch Sighting

Executive Director's Report



Dear PROTECT Members,

Over the past year, Protect the Adirondacks won our share of victories to help keep the Adirondacks wild and beautiful. We helped stop storage of dirty oil tankers railroad cars in the Adirondacks, including deep in the Forest Preserve. We helped advocate for continued land purchases by the State of New York to expand the Forest Preserve. We defeated a bad local law to expand All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) use throughout the Town of Ohio in the southern Adirondacks. We helped build a more robust aquatic invasive species inspection and decontamination program in the Park and boosted participation to over 80 lakes and ponds in the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program, the largest water quality monitoring program in the Adirondacks. We've uncapped a new advocacy campaign for 36,500 acres of new Wilderness lands. We exposed major questions around lobbying by the Department of Environmental Conservation in support of selling 200 acres of Forest Preserve to a mining company — work that was featured twice in *The New York Times*.



In all of this work, we made a difference.

Yet, these are troubling times for our “forever wild” Forest Preserve. We're facing acute challenges from a number of efforts to expand recreational motor vehicle use across the Adirondacks. The Cuomo Administration has made this a major policy priority. To facilitate greater motor vehicle use, the Cuomo Administration has bent and stretched state laws and regulations in ways they have never been twisted before. One dissenting Adirondack Park Agency Commissioner has characterized these efforts as “legal fictions” and “legal sleights of hand.” Despite protests by Protect the Adirondacks and others, the train carrying new motorized uses on the Forest Preserve has left the station and is heading to all corners of the Adirondack Park. This annual report provides updates on all of these important issues.

We're trying to hold on the line and contain motorized uses in Wild Forest areas. We're in court trying to uphold Article XIV of the State Constitution and stop construction of new road-like trails that require cutting of thousands of trees. We're also in court challenging the new Essex Chain Lakes Unit Management Plan that authorized a variety of new motorized uses and widely violated the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Act, among other laws. These cases will play out in 2016.

The support of members is vital to sustaining the voice of Protect the Adirondacks. The grassroots advocacy of members in speaking at public forums and submitting comments letters has been terrific. Thank you all very much for taking a stand for a wild Adirondack Park and for your stalwart and engaged support.

— Peter Bauer, Executive Director

PROTECT challenges Essex Chain Lakes UMP to uphold major New York State environmental laws



In November 2015, the Adirondack Park Agency (APA) approved a controversial Unit Management Plan (UMP) for the Essex Chain Lakes lands prepared by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) by an 8-2 vote. Two APA members who voted against approval of this UMP expressed serious concerns about the plan's legality.

Protect the Adirondacks, Adirondack Wild: Friends of the Forest Preserve, and Earthjustice filed a lawsuit in January 2016 to challenge this approval. This lawsuit alleges that the approved UMP authorized various management actions that violate the Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers Act, the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan, and Snowmobile Trail Management Guidance, among other state rules and regulations. The major issues in this lawsuit include:

- Construction of a massive new snowmobile bridge over the remote and scenic Cedar River, which is protected under State law from motorized recreation;
- Opening of a logging bridge that crosses the remote and scenic Hudson River to public snowmobiling within a River area that is similarly protected under State law from motorized recreation;

- Opening of a former logging road along a remote, wild stretch of the Hudson River to motor vehicles in violation of State law;
- Construction of a new snowmobile corridor through a remote, roadless and trailless part of the Vanderwhacker Mountain Wild Forest, which duplicates an existing snowmobile route; and
- Opening of two large Primitive areas, which are required by law to be managed essentially as wilderness, to bicycle use, which is prohibited by the Adirondack Park State Land Master Plan.

This UMP is part of Governor Cuomo's plan to expand motorized uses across the Forest Preserve. PROTECT published three "Reflections" on our website about the decision by the APA and DEC to approve this plan that details the flaws in the review process and final approval.

Clockwise from the top left: Near empty Essex Chain Lakes parking lot on Labor Day weekend 2015, the beautiful Blackwell Stillwater on the Hudson River below the Polaris Bridge, an aerial of the Polaris Bridge, and a road in the Essex Chain Lakes Primitive area likely to be opened for bicycles and motorized uses for maintenance.

PROTECT takes a stand to defend Article XIV, Section 1, the vital “Forever Wild” clause in the NYS Constitution



A core part of Governor Cuomo’s plan to expand motor vehicle access throughout the 1.3 million acres of Wild Forest areas of the Forest Preserve is building a robust network of road-like community connector snowmobile trails. These 9-12-foot wide trails often require the destruction of thousands of trees of all sizes and vast alterations of the Forest Preserve from extensive grading and flattening.

To date, the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and APA have approved nearly 50 miles of these trails. Another 25 miles is soon to be approved in the Black River Wild Forest area. At the same time that motor vehicle access is being expanded across Wild Forest areas, state agencies are also considering allowing motor vehicle access for state management activities in Primitive Areas, which are supposed to be managed as Wilderness lands. This is a major shift in Forest Preserve management.

These are trying times for the Forest Preserve. This is a major policy shift for Forest Preserve management as a premium has been placed on motorized access. Motorized recreational use is the dividing line between Wilderness and Wild Forest areas. Motorized access changes the character

of wildlands. In these times, Protect the Adirondacks is working hard to contain the negative impacts of motorized uses on the Forest Preserve.

A major line of defense to protect the Forest Preserve is our legal challenge to the constitutionality of road-like snowmobile trails being approved and widely constructed. These road-like trails are built with heavy machinery and equipment, require vast alterations, and the cutting of thousands of trees in the parts of the Forest Preserve where they are routed. We believe that the level of tree cutting and the vast terrain alterations on these trails during construction violates Article XIV, Section 1, the “forever wild” clause of the State Constitution. We have worked hard to document a series of negative impacts from constructing these trails.

The State Constitution requires that Forest Preserve lands be “forever kept as wild forest lands.” The pictures above tell a very different story. This is a high stakes lawsuit where the future of the Forest Preserve hangs in the balance. If we do not hold the line on motorized uses, the Forest Preserve will be forever changed. Forever wild should not be allowed to be transformed into forever motorized.

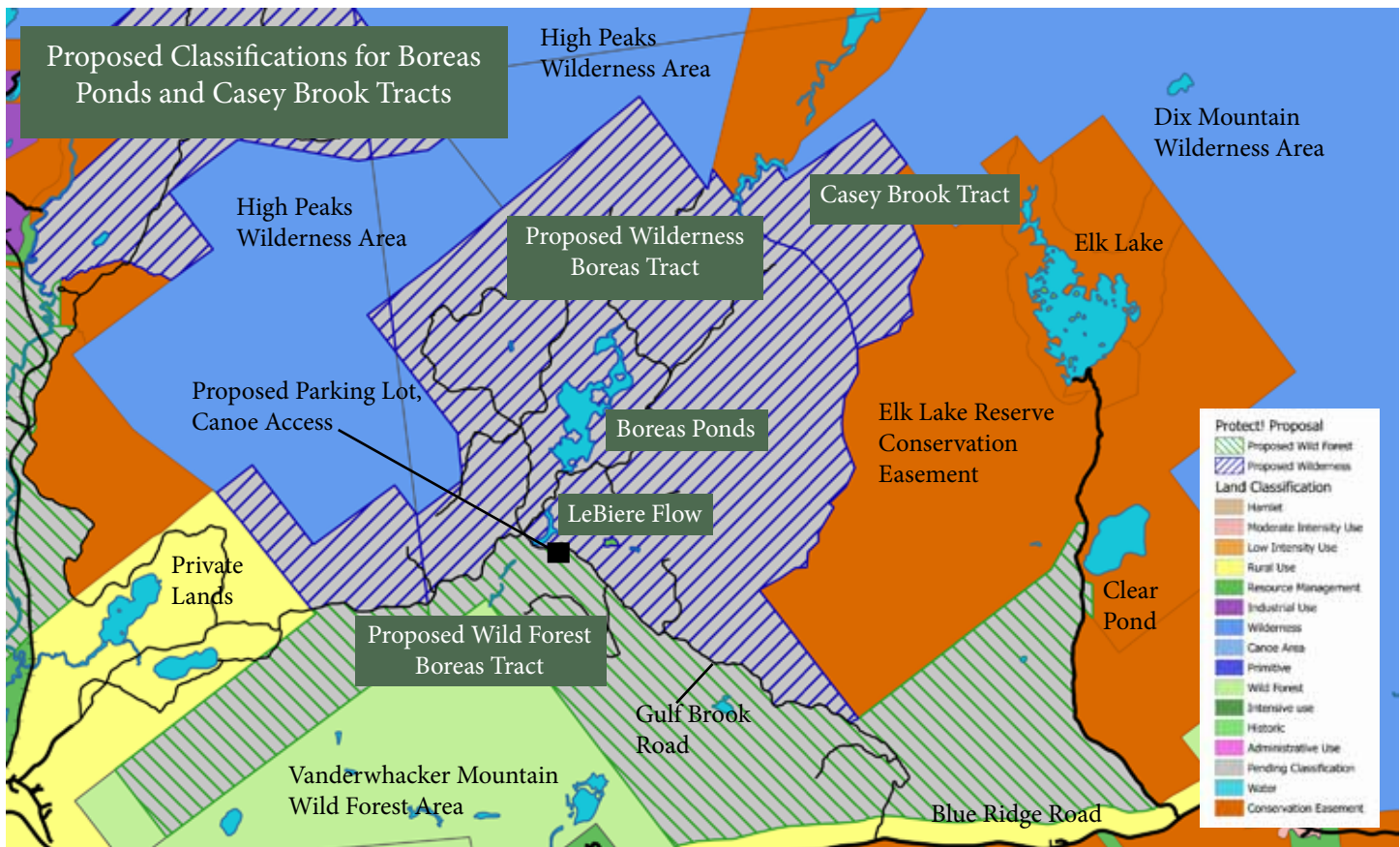


On the opposite page: Newly cut and graded class II community connector snowmobile trail in the Vanderwhacker Mountain Wild Forest area in the Town of Minerva. Extensive grading required restoration actions by construction crews. The pictures above (clockwise starting in top left) show another section on the new Minerva snowmobile trail recently cut out and graded. Top right shows trees marked for removal in a part of the Minerva trail not yet cut out. PROTECT estimates that over 4,000 trees of all sizes were cut down over a 2.9 stretch of this new trail in the fall of 2015. The picture in the lower right shows a typical new snowmobile bridge that is over 12 feet wide. Areas graded for the approaches to this bridge are wider than 20 feet. This bridge has corner posts for signs and reflectors. The lower left picture shows a part of this trail that has been cut out but not yet graded, which removes all large rocks and stumps and flattens the trail surface. Grading removes the understory and these trails are often replanted with grass.

Help Support the Defense of Forever Wild

PROTECT is working to raise \$25,000 to help with our defense of Article XIV, Section 1, the famed “forever wild” clause, of the State Constitution. The Adirondack Forest Preserve is in the midst of the largest expansion of motorized use in its history. We need your help to protect the Forest Preserve and uphold “forever wild” in management of public use. There’s more information in the article above. Please use the envelope enclosed or see information on the back cover to make a contribution today. Thank you.

PROTECT advocates for 36,500 acres of new Wilderness lands in Adirondack Forest Preserve in 2016



Protect the Adirondacks is advocating to expand Wilderness areas in the Adirondack Park by over 36,500 acres. This includes expansion of the High Peaks Wilderness area by 24,500 acres and creation of a new 12,000-acre West Stony Creek Wilderness area in the southern Adirondacks. These lands include the recently purchased MacIntyre East and West tracts and the Boreas Ponds tract, which will soon be purchased from The Nature Conservancy. These are former Finch, Pruyn and Company lands.

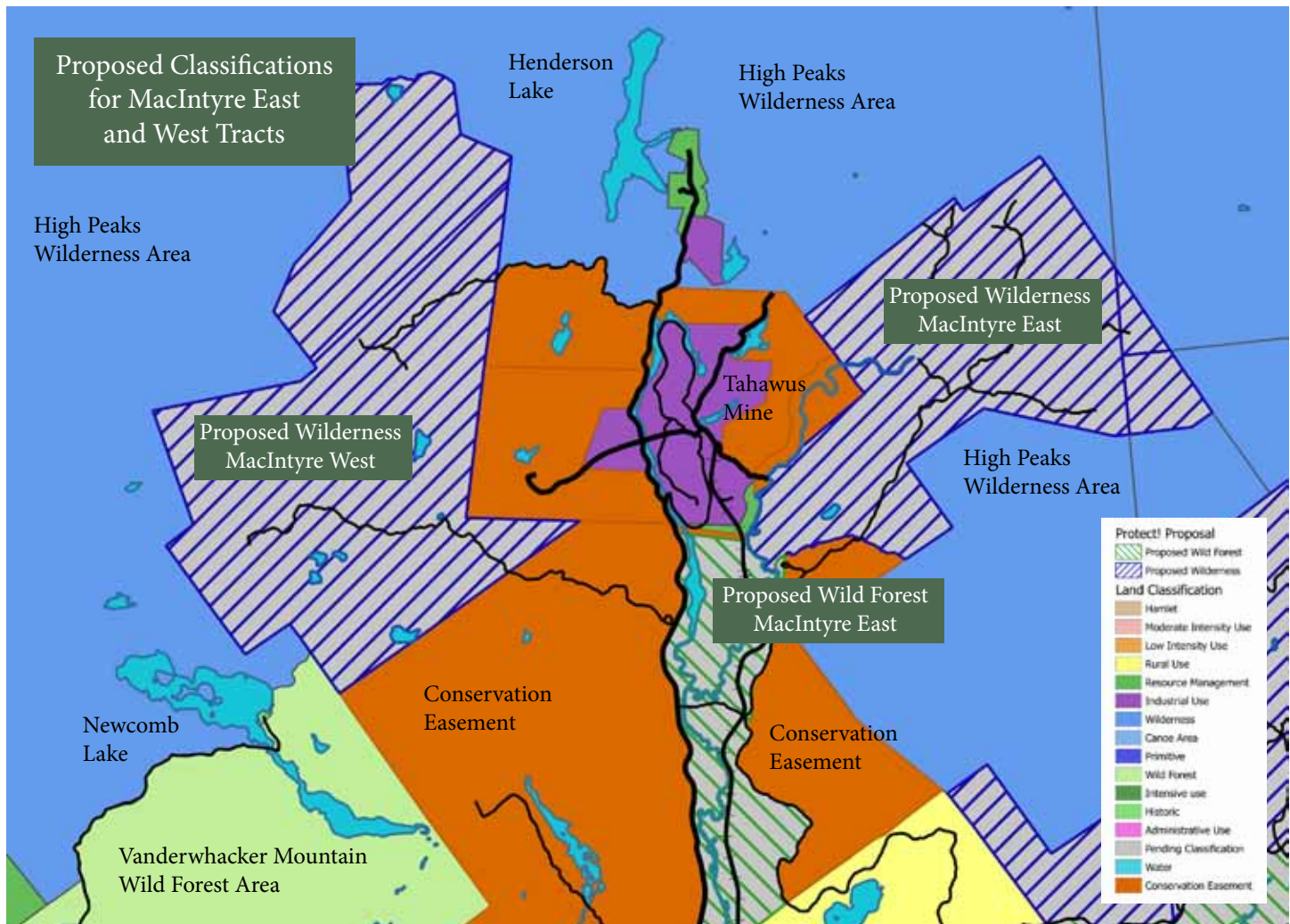
This would be the biggest expansion of Wilderness in the Adirondacks since 2000 when Governor Pataki acted to classify over 41,000 acres of new Wilderness by creating the 20,000-acre William C. Whitney Wilderness area, which included upgrading the 7,500-acre Lake Lila Primitive Area to Wilderness, and expansion of both the Five Ponds Wilderness and Pepperbox Wilderness areas by over 21,000 acres.

PROTECT's proposal provides Wilderness classification and protection for the most important natural resource ar-

eas on these lands. It also aims to facilitate motorized access desired by area local governments and snowmobiling interests by designating key roads for public motor vehicle and snowmobile use. PROTECT is making a good faith effort to provide a workable and realistic classification and management program that complies with State law and meets the objectives of many different and often conflicting interests.

Across the 2.6 million acre Adirondack Forest Preserve, there are nearly 100,000 acres more Wild Forest lands, where motor vehicle use is allowed, than Wilderness lands, where motorized uses are prohibited.

PROTECT's proposal seeks to protect the most important natural resources on the lands in question, provides various interests with their most important objectives whether more Wilderness or a snowmobile trail, fully complies with existing laws without creating bad long-term precedents from bent and twisted laws or spot zoning. Here are the important components for a workable framework:



1. Classification of 13,000 acres around the Boreas Ponds as Wilderness and incorporation of these lands into the High Peaks Wilderness.
2. Classification of over 11,000 acres in the MacIntyre East and West tracts as Wilderness and incorporation of these lands into the High Peaks Wilderness.
3. Classification of 1,700 acres along the Hudson River where it parallels the Tahawus Road and Sanford Lake Railroad as Wild Forest.
4. Classification of the Gulf Brook Road as Wild Forest to provide Lake Lila-style public access to the Boreas Ponds, where the public can drive within a short portage of a canoe launch on the LeBiere Flow.
5. Classification of the Gulf Brook Road as Wild Forest to provide for its use as a vital link in a new snowmobile trail that connects Newcomb and North Hudson.
6. These classifications would keep public recreational motor vehicle use in Wild Forest areas where these uses are allowed. It is important for coherent and rational Forest Preserve management that motorized uses are kept in Wild Forest areas.
7. These classifications would allow for combining the High Peaks Wilderness and Dix Mountain Wilderness into one 275,000-acre Wilderness area by supporting Wilderness classification for the Casey Brook tract, which is the land bridge between the two areas.
8. These classifications would greatly minimize the amount of trees cut on the Forest Preserve for a new snowmobile trail connection from Newcomb to North Hudson by thousands, if not tens of thousands.
9. These classifications would create a new West Stony Creek Wilderness Area in the southern Adirondacks from a trailless part of the Shaker Mountain Wild Forest and newly purchased lands.

PROTECT's proposal is a pragmatic approach that balances a range of competing interests, accommodates a number of recreational uses with the minimum amount of terrain alteration and negative impacts, and protects the most important natural resource areas on the Forest Preserve.

Adirondack Lake Assessment Program, top water quality monitoring program in the Adirondacks, completes 18th season in 2015



2016 marks the 19th year of the Adirondack Lake Assessment Program (ALAP). 2015 saw completion of the 18th year of ALAP, a “citizen science” water quality monitoring project, jointly managed in a partnership between PROTECT and the Adirondack Watershed Institute (AWI) at Paul Smith’s College. Eighty lakes and ponds were studied in 2015. New lakes added in 2015 included Frank and Mink Ponds on the Northwoods Club. The AuSable River Watershed Alliance also monitored Lake Eaton and Taylor Pond and the Mirror Lake watershed Alliance monitored Mirror Lake in Lake Placid.

Established in 1998, ALAP has grown to the largest, most professional, volunteer driven water quality monitoring programs in the Adirondack Park. ALAP tests for a variety of leading water quality parameters including pH, alkalinity, calcium, calcite saturation index, total phosphorus, chlorophyll-a, Secchi disk transparency, nitrate, chloride, conductivity, color, and aluminum. Results from analysis of these parameters inform volunteers and lake associations about short- and long-term water quality trends.

Protect the Adirondacks has long recognized the threats to water quality throughout the Adirondack Park, largely a consequence of intensive shoreline development and stormwater pollution from roads. ALAP data is posted on the PROTECT website.

ALAP has been successful in shaping policy in the Adirondack Park. Analysis of ALAP’s long-term database showed strong trends for rising chloride and sodium levels, caused by road salt for winter roads de-icing, in lakes and ponds in close proximity to major roads. Salt pollution is one of the most pressing long-term threats to Adirondack waters.

We have openings in 2016 to enroll your lake or pond. For more information about how to enroll a lake or pond go to PROTECT’s website at www.protectadks.org.



Lakes and Ponds Enrolled in the Adirondack Lakes Assessment Program

Adirondack Lake	Fish Creek Pond	Loon Lake (Warren County)	Seventh Lake
Amber Lake	Floodwood Pond	Lower Chateaugay Lake	Sherman Lake
Arbutus Pond	Follensby Clear Pond	Lower Saranac Lake	Silver Lake
Auger Lake	Garnet Lake	Lower St. Regis Lake	Simon Pond
Austin Pond	Great Sacandaga Lake	Middle Pond	Snowshoe Pond
Balfour Lake	Gull Pond	Middle Saranac Lake	Spitfire Lake
Big Moose Lake	Hewitt Lake	Mink Pond	Sprague's Pond
Blue Mountain Lake	Hoel Pond	Mirror Lake	Star Lake
Brandreth Lake	Indian Lake (Franklin County)	Moss Lake	Stony Creek Ponds
Brant Lake	Indian Lake (Hamilton County)	Mountain View Lake	Sylvia Lake
Buckhorn Pond	Jordan Lake	Nick's Lake	Taylor Pond
Bullhead Pond	Kiawassa Lake	Oseetah Lake	Thirteenth Lake
Butternut Pond	Lake Abanakee	Osgood Pond	Tripp Lake
Canada Lake	Lake Clear	Otter Pond	Trout Lake
Carry Falls Reservoir	Lake Colby	Oven Mountain Pond	Trout Pond
Catlin Lake	Lake Durant	Paradox Lake	Tupper Lake
Chapel Pond	Lake Easka	Perch Pond	Twitchell Lake
Chase Lake	Lake Eaton	Pine Lake	Upper Cascade Lake
Chazy Lake	Lake Everest	Pleasant Lake	Upper Chateaugay Lake
Cranberry Lake	Lake Flower	Polliwog Pond	Upper St. Regis Lake
Deer Lake	Lake of the Pines	Raquette Lake	White Lake
Dug Mountain Pond	Lake Ozonia	Rich Lake	Windfall Pond
Eagle Lake	Lake Tekeni	Rock Lake	Wolf Lake
Echo Pond (Essex County)	Lake Titus	Rollins Pond	Zach Pond
Egg Pond	Lens Lake	Rondaxe Lake	
Eli Pond	Little Long Lake	Sagamore Lake	
Fern Lake	Long Pond	Schroon Lake	
Fifth Lake	Loon Lake (Franklin County)	Second Pond	

(Reports are available online at
PROTECT's website.)

Expanding the fight against aquatic invasive species



Aquatic invasive species (AIS) remains a serious threat to the water quality and the character and enjoyment of Adirondack lakes, ponds and rivers. To many, the lakes and rivers define what the Adirondacks is all about. This is a big issue in the Adirondacks because we have many lakes and ponds that remain free of AIS, whereas the great majority of lakes across New York are infested with more than one kind of AIS.

PROTECT was on the forefront of advocacy to pass a new law in New York that bans the launching of boats that may have AIS at public, private and commercial boat launches. The State is finalizing regulations to fully implement this law before the 2016 boating season. This new law will force changes across the state for how motorboats are transported and launched.

In many ways, the Adirondacks has led the way on boat control programs. The Lake George mandatory boat control program on Lake George is now permanent. The key challenge for the rest of the Adirondack Park is to create similar mandatory boat control programs on the biggest and most highly visited lakes across the Adirondacks. PROTECT is



now working with a variety of partners to organize a more complete Park-wide boat inspection and decontamination program. This effort saw creation of more than a dozen inspection and decontaminations stations in 2015. The goal is to double the number of stations this year.

PROTECT is still working to build a sustainable funding system for AIS education, intervention, and management of infested lakes. This remains a chief priority.

Stopped in it tracks!



The news from Iowa Pacific Company in the summer of 2015 that it planned to start storing hundreds of used oil tanker cars on its miles of rail lines in Essex County sent a shudder through the Adirondack Park. This plan ran counter to everything that the Adirondack Park was all about and was met with criticism from across the political spectrum in the Adirondacks.

Iowa Pacific leases rail lines from Saratoga Springs through Saratoga and Warren Counties. They run tourist train excursions in Saratoga Springs and North Creek. They purchased the Sanford Lake Rail Line that runs from North Creek to the Tahawus Mine in Newcomb a few years ago in order to haul out stone and aggregate stockpiled at the mine site. Unfortunately, neither the stone hauling or scenic tourist train ventures have been viable. The company regularly reports financial losses to Warren County leaders.

Protect the Adirondacks opposed this plan and researched the potential impacts for water quality pollution, public safety during transporting and storing these rail cars, and scenic pollution to beautiful areas of the Adirondacks. This plan would also have adversely impacted the Forest Pre-

serve because long sections of the Sanford Lake Rail Line cut through the Forest Preserve. This plan also ran counter to longstanding policy that banned the importation of garbage from outside areas in the Adirondack Park.

PROTECT conducted field work to document Iowa Pacific's current management of the Sanford Lake Rail Line and found it was storing dilapidated rail cars deep in the Forest Preserve in the Vanderwhacker Mountain Wild Forest area. The condition of these cars (see above) did not give us much confidence in Iowa Pacific's plans to store hundreds of used oil tanker cars in this location. Iowa Pacific responded by alleging we were trespassing on their track where it passed through the Forest Preserve. PROTECT's legal research rejected the Company's allegations. Faced with widespread opposition, Iowa Pacific withdrew its plan last fall.

The pictures above show dilapidated rail cars being stored by Iowa Pacific on "siding track" along the Boreas River on the Sanford Lake Rail Line. The picture in the lower right shows modern oil tanker rail cars commonly used on rail lines across New York and the U.S.

PROTECT exposed widespread ethical breaches in 2013 Article XIV Constitutional Amendment for mining company



Picture by Nancie Bataglia

During passage of the NYCO Constitutional Amendment in 2012-2013 to allow 200 acres of Forest Preserve lands to be mined, the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) acted as a de facto private lobbyist for NYCO to pass this amendment. In November 2013, New Yorkers voted to narrowly approve this Amendment.

Through documents obtained under the Freedom of Information Act, Protect the Adirondacks documented the extraordinary cooperation between NYCO and the DEC that involved dozens of state personnel, NYCO executives and NYCO's public relations firm. These documents are all provided on our website at www.protectadks.org.

This research produced two articles in *The New York Times*. The specific ethical violations by DEC include:

- DEC drafted legislation, bill memos, "Talking Points" and "Fact Sheets" in support of the NYCO amendment.
- DEC lobbied environmental groups for support.

- DEC actively lobbied lawmakers, which paved the way for the amendment to pass.
- DEC worked closely with former lawmakers to lobby their colleagues to support the amendment.
- When NYCO objected to ballot language approved by the Board of Elections in July 2013, DEC successfully intervened to change the language to make it more favorable to NYCO.
- After DEC successfully secured passage of the NYCO amendment in the State Legislature, it continued to assist NYCO during the public debate in the months leading up to the November 2013 election.
- DEC shared materials with NYCO's public relations campaign and counseled NYCO on how to refute arguments from opponents.

Now, PROTECT is working with members of the State Legislature to investigate the ethical breaches in DEC's staunch advocacy for this amendment. PROTECT is working to reform the way future amendments are organized.



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2016 Annual Meeting at Garnet Hill Lodge on July 9th. Register today.

PROTECT is excited to announce that our 2016 annual meeting will be held at the Garnet Hill Lodge on Saturday July 9th starting at 9:30 AM.

The business meeting will start at 10:00 AM, including introduction of new Board members, financial report, and our Conservation and Advocacy report.

Refreshments and lunch will be served. Guided hikes and canoe trips nearby will also be organized. Invitations and information will be mailed to members in May.

Early registration is available online at PROTECT's website at www.protectadks.org. Registration is \$35.



Dr. Charles Driscoll to speak on recovery from acid rain damage

Protect the Adirondacks is very pleased to announce that Charles T. Driscoll, a Distinguished University Professor at Syracuse University, will talk at the annual meeting about recovery of Adirondack ecosystems from acid rain damage over the past decade due to the National Clean Air Act.

Dr. Driscoll received his BS from the University of Maine and MS and PhD from Cornell. Driscoll's research addresses the effects of disturbance on forest, freshwater and marine ecosystems, including air pollution (acid and mercury deposition), land-use, and climate change. He is passionate about the Adirondacks and does research in the forest-freshwater ecosystems. He has been a leading scientist in the Adirondacks for decades. Driscoll has testified at Congressional and state legislative committee hearings, and served on many local, national and international committees. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering.



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Assets	2014-15	2013-14
Cash	\$22,085	\$18,898
Grants Receivable	15,000	15,000
Property (Research Library/Office)	456,814	462,664
Cash (Designated)	96,201	112,845
Cash (Temporarily Restricted)	46,705	38,837
Investments - Unrestricted	5,000	5,000
Investments - Restricted	3,726	3,645
Total Assets	\$645,531	\$656,889

Liabilities	2014-15	2013-14
Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$5,871	\$25,222
Demand Notes Payable	0	0
Long-Term Debt	0	0
Total Liabilities	\$5,871	\$25,222

Expenses	2014-15	2013-14
Salaries	\$114,430	\$117,705
Payroll Expenses & Benefits	21,812	20,615
Contracted Services	4,370	4,035
Insurance	5,598	5,051
Occupancy Costs	6,900	6,901
Telephone	1,222	1,255
Supplies	3,845	1,954
Printing	14,767	10,862
Postage	7,090	2,338
Conferences & Events	9,917	1,408
Bank Charges	939	1,435
Advertising	3,455	7,385
Interest Expense	0	0
Dues & Subscriptions	200	278
Legal Defense	50,646	118,655
Professional Fees & Services	12,537	9,854
Travel	3,249	3,615
Website & Technology Services	7,998	21,925
Investment Fees	130	84
Program Expense	26,590	17,394
Miscellaneous	1,278	611
Amortization	5,148	5,850
Total Expenses	\$302,823	\$359,821

Income	2014-15	2013-14
Contributions & Grants	\$186,572	\$195,986
Dues & Fees	54,239	51,772
Investment Income	7	220
Realized Gain on Sale of Investments	0	0
Realized Loss on Sale of Assets	0	0
Investment Holding Gain	81	303
Event Income	280	1,325
In-Kind Donations	49,522	60,901
Program Services	18,975	11,275
Total Assets	\$310,816	\$322,373

Program, Administrative & Fundraising Expenses	2014-15	2013-14
Program Expenses	(90%) \$271,790	(85%) \$305,785
Administrative Expenses	(6%) \$18,411	(7%) \$24,839
Fundraising Expenses	(4%) \$12,622	(8%) \$29,197
Total Expenses	\$302,823	\$359,821

Notes

Protect the Adirondacks' fiscal year runs from July 1 - June 30th.

An independent audit was prepared by Cusack & Company in Latham, New York.

All information reported in this summary is also available in PROTECT's NYS CHAR 500 and federal 990 filed with the NYS Attorney General's Office.

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Administration 6%
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