

Tuftonboro Forest Plan Tour

In 2020 a suggestion was made to develop Forest Management Plans for town properties that had stands of manageable timber, to compensate the town for lost tax revenue. The Melvin Mariner and Matt Young made a donation to fund that effort. In 2021, in cooperation with the Selectmen, the Tuftonboro Conservation Commission hired licensed forester, Daniel Stepanauskas, of Northern Forest Resources to develop those plans on four lots. The plans have been completed and the TCC is inviting anyone interested to join them for a field review of each plan with the Forester on **Saturday, June 11 at 8:00 a.m.** The plans are currently posted on the Conservation Commission web site; go to: <https://www.tuftonboronh.gov/conservtion-commission>.

The plans cover the following areas: Tax Map reference 53-2-6, 75 acres behind the Fire Station; 40-4-4, 36 acres, behind the public parking area, off Rt 109; at Nineteen Mile Bay, 28-2-5, 45 acers, behind Twenty Mile Bay and 31-1-1&2, 140 acres, South of the Tuftonboro Transfer Station.

The **tour will begin at the fire station parking area at 8 am on June 11.** We will try to limit each plan review to 2 hours. The tour would move to Nineteen Mile Bay at 10 am with a lunch break at the pavilion then move to Twenty Mile Bay (the forester did not recommend any timber harvesting activities here due to difficult soil conditions and access) and end at the transfer station.

In case of severe or unsafe weather conditions, the tour will be postponed to Wednesday, June 15th. A decision to postpone due to predicted weather will be made no later than noon on Friday, June 10th and posted on the town web site.