

MOHAWK TRAIL WOODLANDS PARTNERSHIP
Forest-Based Economic Development and Conservation

MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the
**Natural Resource Based Economic Development Committee of the
Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts
(formerly Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership)***
on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 5:00 – 6:15 p.m.

This will be a **Virtual Meeting** as allowed by “An Act Relative to Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations,” signed into law by Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker on July 16 2022, which extends the expiration of the provisions pertaining to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec. 20, to March 31, 2023.

Members of the public are welcome. Please RSVP to Sophie Argetsinger to request a Zoom link to attend by emailing: sargetsinger@newenglandforestry.org

Agenda

1. Call to order and welcome
2. Approval of minutes from December 15, 2021 NRBED Committee meeting
3. Review Committee charter
4. Review "Forests as an Economic Driver" section of Partnership Plan (section 4, available [here](#))
5. Update on Hall Tavern Farm project
6. Update on grant-funded Forest Center planning activities
7. Discuss priorities for the year, potential budget needs, and upcoming agenda items
8. Any item(s) not anticipated within 48 hours
9. Public comment

Natural Resource Based Economic Development Committee Members: Jeffrey Thomas, Lever, Inc. (chair); Jay Healy, Charlemont; Zachary Feury, North Adams; Amy Shapiro, Franklin County Community Development Corporation.

*On Oct. 11, 2022, the Board of the public body created in 2018 voted unanimously to change its name from the “Mohawk Trail Woodlands Partnership” in its bylaws to Doing Business As the “Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts” and requested the state legislature and USDA Forest Service to officially establish and recognize the new name.