



North Country Updates - Agriculture, Conservation, Forestry

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Coös County Conservation District &
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Additional Links of Interest

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Future of the Farm - Webinars - Three Part Series

Part 1, February 13

Part 2, March 12

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Thursday, March 12 - Understanding the LLC

12:00pm - 1:00pm

An LLC form of business ownership can be used as a tool to transfer a farm to another generation. It can also offer many protections that a sole proprietor or a group of partners need to shield personal assets from the risks of the business. Despite the simplicity of setting up an LLC, there are several points to consider and be cautious of when setting one up for your farm.

Thursday, April 9 - Installment Sales

12:00pm-1:00pm

An installment sale can be an affordable way for the incoming generation to purchase the farm. There are legal and tax impacts to consider before signing over the farm, especially if the sale occurs between family members. Learn more about the tax implications, as well as what should be included in an installment sales agreement.

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[More Information & How to Register](#)



Spring Ephemerals

Wednesday, March 18

6:00pm

White Mountains Community College Library, Berlin

Join Tin Mountain Conservation Center for pictorial journey of early spring wildflowers. From hepatica to Dutchman's breeches we will look at what makes each flower unique, from its pollinators to its habitat. This program will be followed up by an optional spring wildflower walk later in the spring.

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Tin Mountain's North Country Nature Series is sponsored in part by the Neil and Louise Tillotson Fund at the NH Charitable Foundation.

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Annie's Project Managing for Today & Tomorrow

Friday, Saturday, Sunday - March 20, 21, 22
Fairlee, VT

An Estate & Succession Planning Retreat for Women Farmers

This weekend program is a discussion-based workshop to connect women and subject-matter experts. As they work through important discussions in the areas of business, estate, retirement and succession planning, women will find many opportunities for questions, sharing, and connecting with the presenters and other participants. It's a relaxed, fun and encouraging way to learn, and discuss one of the most difficult subjects that face farm women today.

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[More Information & How to Register](#)



First Aid & CPR (basic)

Wednesday, April 15
North Country Resource Center, Lancaster
8:30am-3:00pm

Emergency Care and Safety Institute Standard First Aid, Adult CPR, and AED training. Additionally, special focus will be logging injury prevention and a new logging site informational form. Course content has been updated to reflect new course focus.

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[More Information & How to Register](#)



NH Timber Harvesting Law

Thursday, April 16

White Mountains Regional High School, Whitefield
8:00am-3:00pm

A one-day workshop presenting information on New Hampshire's Timber Harvesting Laws, Wetland Regulations, and the use of Best Management Practices. Practical, hands-on instruction for today's logging professional.

This course is required for PLP certification, and can be used for PLP re-certification credits.

8.0 PLP certification credits

6.5 SAF category 1 CFE credits

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Spring Sky Astronomy Program

Saturday, April 18

725 North Road, Shelburne, NH

Join Tin Mountain Conservation Center and naturalist Matt Maloney for an all ages evening viewing of the night sky in spring from a beautiful dark sky location in Shelburne, NH. We'll use both our unaided eyes and telescopes to view the celestial roadmap of the heavens and understand how the constellations and stars we can see change as the seasons progress. How is the spring sky different than the winter sky we've just left behind? Come learn and find out!

This program requires a clear sky. Back-up weather dates of April 21 & 23.

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Pruning Demonstrations

Coös County
Saturday, April 25
Stratford (please register)

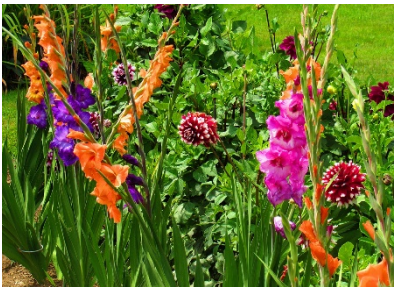
Learn how to prune and care for apple trees and blueberry bushes and how to keep them healthy and productive at this hands-on workshop.

Topics will include: when, how and why to prune as well as how to care for apple trees and blueberries (e.g. fertilization, managing pests and diseases) to help you successfully grow fruit at home or on your farm.

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In The News



Coös County Conservation District Spring Sale

Accepting orders now through March 6

Proceeds from the sale of these items helps support coordination of local educational, natural resources, conservation programs.



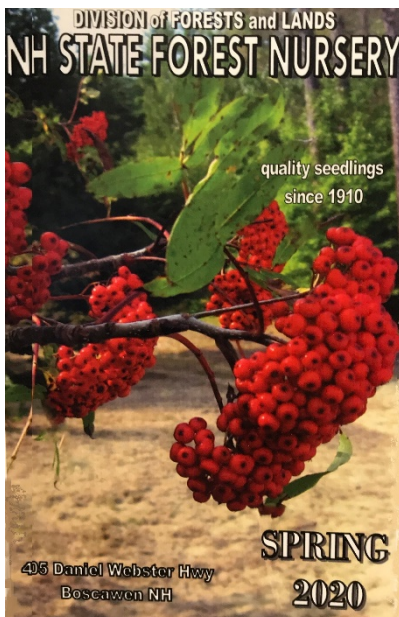
NH Conservation Districts were created in 1946. As a political subdivision of the State of New Hampshire, with a non-profit status under the IRS tax code. As a subdivision of the State of New Hampshire, conservation districts are a partnership of federal, state and local agencies interested in the wise use of natural resources.

The Coös County Conservation District is co-located with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, providing technical assistance to County landowners.



The District Supervisors are recommended by the District and appointed by the State Conservation Committee. Associate Supervisors are appointed by the local District Board. The District Supervisors and Associate Supervisors bring local contacts to the conservation process, representing local needs, and bringing technical expertise from the community to the District. The Coös County Conservation District is fortunate to have the support of the Coös County Commissioners and County Delegation who generously provide funding for the District Manager.

[District website for more information](#)



NH State Forest Nursery

The New Hampshire State Forester Brad Simpkins says, "Since 1910, the New Hampshire State Forest Nursery has occupied an established role in contributing to the well being of the state's forests and forest economy. Planting trees and shrubs is an important stewardship activity for landowners who wish to improve our environment for future generations. Our State Forest Nursery is part of our heritage and an investment in our future."

Offering more than 50 different bare-root seedling species and specialty packages of incomparable quality. We have a small program by most standards and that allows us to concentrate on product quality and customer service. Our experienced staff and seedling quality are unsurpassed. We do not import seedlings from out-of-state or transplant seedlings from other sources. All of our seedlings are grown from seed in our own seedbeds. This ensures that our seedlings are well adapted to New Hampshire climate, free of disease and insect pests.

Our seedlings are useful for many purposes including:

- Wildlife Food and Cover
- Site Reclamation
- Erosion Control Stream Bank and Wetland Plantings
- Reforestation
- Hedgerows for wind and snow breaks
- Christmas tree growing stock

[More Info and How to Order](#)



Christmas Tree Online Course

Growing Christmas Trees in New Hampshire

Growing Christmas trees on a few acres or on large acreage can be a great deal of work, yet very rewarding. This course was designed with you in mind. After completing this self-paced course, you should be ready to not only start a Christmas tree farm but also be ready to take the NH Private Pesticide Applicator exam in Christmas Trees.

[Learn More](#)

Coös County Conservation District (CCCD)



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Visit our website - cooscountyconservation.org
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Our office is located in the USDA Service Center,
Route 3, Lancaster, NH

Soil Health Rental Equipment

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The KLD-72 is 6' wide and capable of planting 9 rows, with 8" spacing. KASCO recommends a 35hp tractor, with sufficient till capacity to handle approximately 1600 lbs. on back.

No-Till Seeder
& Rental Terms
Grafton County



AWMP-075-AJ-4 Salford AerWay: 45-75HP Tractor with hydraulics recommended. Cultivation width 7.5', Weight 2150 lbs.

Aerway
& Rental Terms
Grafton County

Home or Garden Question?



Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. highly trained master gardeners are available to answer your questions about gardening, lawns, pests, fruits and vegetables, food safety and more. For research-based information you can trust, pick up the phone, send an email or stop by today!

Education Center & Info Line

The **Education Center** at UNH Cooperative Extension offers a number of services including:

- Answers to gardening questions from Cooperative Extension Master Gardener residents via email and the Hotline 877-398-4769 or walk-in assistance.
- Master Gardener Volunteer Training Educational Programs for the general public.
- Public presentations by Master Gardener Volunteers on topics such as seed starting, composting, container gardening, and seed saving.

For more information on a variety of horticulture topics visit the UNH Cooperative Extension [website](#).



When in doubt..
UNH Cooperative Extension
ID services can help.

Soil Testing Services

Insect Identification Services

Plant Diagnostic Lab

NH Bugs

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