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Let's save the Jackson Farm and create a new Westford town forest!

The scenic farmland, forest, and stone walls of the Jackson Farm, located across from the Westford School, could be permanently protected as a working farm and town forest.

An Opportunity for Westford...

A New 130-Acre Town Forest and Trail Network

The new town forest would offer recreation, student education, and serve as a timber resource for the town. Trails could cross the farmland to trails on the School parcel. A trail along the farmland on Brookside Road and one along the Browns River on the Haller property would help further the pedestrian connection from the Village to the School.

A Working Farm

Forty-two acres of open meadows will be permanently protected as agricultural land and will be bought by the Pouliots, a local farm family.

Protection of a Historic Stone Wall

As part of the project, the stone wall along Brookside Road and the surrounding scenic meadows will be protected.

Town Wastewater Capacity

A portion of the northern meadow, which will be included in the Town Forest property, has suitable soils for an in-ground leach field near the village center should the community decide to pursue that in the future.

What needs to happen...

The project budget is \$630,000. We have already secured nearly two-thirds of this through a grant from the Vermont Housing & Conservation Board and other sources. We will be asking the Town to contribute \$185,000 toward the purchase of the land through a ballot measure in November. We will also need to raise around \$50,000 from private donors.



Project map

