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LCHIP Land & Community Heritage Investment Program



Welcome!

LCHIP Board members, review panelists and staff are busy visiting applicant sites this month and next. You too can enjoy the natural, cultural and historic resources in New Hampshire. Here are a few events taking place at LCHIP assisted properties:

- [The Fells Historic Estate and Gardens](#), Newbury, Thursday, August 23 - The Natural Lakeshore Habitat - A Closer Look - Join the staff in an exploration of the natural communities where the water meets the land. More details [here](#).
- [Cooley Jericho Community Forest](#), Easton, Saturday, August 25 - Join the Ammonoosuc Conservation Trust (ACT) in Easton for a 'Shoes & Brews' event. Enjoy a hike through the Community Forest followed by snacks and a toast at a local brewery. More details [here](#).
- [Alumni Hall](#), Haverhill, Sunday, August 26 - The UnCommon Jam Music Festival - From blues to funk to rock to newgrass, this event will celebrate the region's rich talent of musicians that will get you off your feet and dancing. Details are [here](#).



Neither heat nor rain deters LCHIP staff and review panelists from their site visits, as seen here on a steamy day in southern New Hampshire.

Enjoy these last summer days before foliage season begins to unfold!

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LCHIP Project News

Acworth Horse Sheds, Acworth

Once upon a time, before automobiles, people traveled to weekly church services and annual town meeting on foot, on horseback or in vehicles pulled by horses. Some towns, including Acworth, provided a shed for the waiting horses behind the meetinghouse. The Friends of the Acworth Meetinghouse have recently completed an LCHIP-assisted project to repair the now rare horse shed behind their meeting house. The project improved drainage on the site, rebuilt portions of the field-stone foundation, repaired the timber frame, and replaced the wood-shingle roof. Now this tangible reminder of an earlier era can endure well into the future and continue to enhance the remarkable ensemble of nearby historic structures. Read more about these horse sheds and the history of Acworth [here](#).



Acworth Horse Sheds with a new roof and completed repairs

Chase's Mill, Alstead

Chase's Mill (c 1917) in Alstead is a few steps closer to being ready for use as a maker space, museum and experiential learning center. With help from LCHIP, the Mill Hollow Heritage Association has just completed renovations to the foundation and frame, a roof replacement and reconstruction of lost dormers. The current mill's steep site along Warren Brook has been home to a series of mills since the eighteenth century. See photos and learn more [here](#).



Chase's Mill with a new roof and dormers

Partnering to Protect Trout Habitat

As the only native stream-dwelling trout species found in New Hampshire, the brook trout is a highly popular target of eager freshwater anglers. It is also the state's official "[Fresh Water Fish](#)" and a marker for high water quality. The population is dwindling because of changes to and along our streams and rivers. Regionally, the [Eastern Brook Trout Joint Venture](#) is working to protect, restore and enhance wild brook trout habitat across their native range, while locally, a number of conservation groups are increasing their efforts to protect and restore riparian habitat, including the [Piscataquog Land Conservancy \(PLC\)](#).



Eastern Brook Trout
Photo credit: NH Fish and Game.

With support from a 2017 LCHIP grant award, PLC recently acquired 112 acres in Lyndeborough known as the [Proctor Preserve](#). The newly-conserved land abuts PLC's popular [Rice Natural Area](#) and features dramatic glacial eskers and frontage on both Scataquog Brook, which supports an exemplary native trout population, and Cold Brook, where PLC plans stream restoration work to improve habitat for brook trout. (Learn more about brook trout, riparian land and fish habitat [here](#) and [here!](#))

2017 LCHIP Grant Recipients

Bartlett - Bartlett Roundhouse	Lebanon - Rogers House
Belmont - Currier-Sanborn Conservation Area	Littleton - Littleton Community Center Carriage House
Bennington - Crotched Mountain West	Lyndeborough - Proctor Preserve
Canaan - Union Academy	Marlow - Jones Hall
Canterbury - Cart Shed Planning Study	Nashua - St. Mary & Archangel Michael Church
Concord - Chamberlin House	Ossipee - Munroe Preserve
Concord - Kimball Jenkins Carriage House	Peterborough - Peterborough Town House
Deerfield - Beye-Pendleton Conservation Project	Peterborough - Unitarian Universalist Church
Derry - First Parish Church	Portsmouth - Rundlet-May House
Dover - Hale House	Rindge - Woman's Memorial Bell Tower
Dover - Woodman House Planning Study	Rye - Rye Town Hall
Durham - Harriman Farm	Rye - St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea
Farmington - Leary Fields & Forest	Rye - Star Island, Oceanic Hotel
Grafton - Hinkson's Carding Mill	Salisbury - Little Mountain Forest
Greenfield - Greenfield Meetinghouse Planning Study	Statewide - Preservation Planning Grant
Hancock - Hancock Meetinghouse	Stratham - Barker's Farm

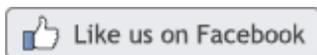
Haverhill - Rocky Hill Farm Meadows	Warner - Brown Conservation Easement
Haverhill - Wentworth-Brown House	Washington - Washington Meetinghouse
Jaffrey - Royce Conservation Easement	Westmoreland - Chickering Farm
Laconia - Belknap Mill	Wolfeboro - Wolfeboro Railroad Freight Shed
Langdon - Langdon Meetinghouse	



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Headline Photo:

Enjoying fresh produce is a summertime treat and farmers' markets are a great way to sample the local harvest. Barker's Farm, an LCHIP grant recipient in 2017, participates in the Exeter Farmers' Market. Locate other Farmers' Markets [here](#).



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