

What Do You Love About Upton State Forest?

Resource Management Plan Discussion

Tuesday, April 24, 6:30 PM

Upton VFW, 15 Milford St/

Route 140, Upton



The Friends of Upton State Forest invite you to a meeting with the Dept. of Conservation and Recreation's Paul Cavanagh, Project Director, to help develop DCR's Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the Blackstone Complex, a group of DCR properties that include Upton State Forest. The RMP is an incredibly important document that will guide park management and decision making into the future. It describes the natural and historic resources of the forests and parks in the complex and the actions that will be taken to preserve and protect them. DCR relies upon the public to help identify those resources and to provide input on how to manage them.

The Friends are asking for your help by sharing your knowledge of the Forest and your concerns, ideas, and vision for the Forest. We need your knowledge of historic and natural resources in the Forest. This includes all sections of the Forest in Upton and surrounding towns.

What does Upton State Forest mean to you? What do you do when you visit the Forest? Did you ever live or work at the CCC Camp? Do you have bird lists, plant lists, mushroom lists? What wildlife have you seen? Are you aware of any unusual stone features, cellar holes, or stone walls? Do you have photos, books, documents, maps, or any other information that would help? Are you aware of man-made structures in the Forest? Do you have concerns about the facilities or safety issues?

If you can't attend the meeting, watch the FUSF Facebook page or DCR's website for announcements and written comment deadlines. You can also contact news@friendsofuptonstateforest.org or 508-529-6610. More information at <https://www.mass.gov/service-details/blackstone-complex-rmp>. The deadline for the first round of RMP comments is April 27, 2018. Help us shape the future of Upton State Forest.