

### Forest, Farm, and Fish Bond

Protect Maine's natural resources by investing in Land for Maine's Future

# Protecting Maine's natural resources preserves our way of life and secures an economic future for our children

The Land for Maine's Future program has a history of broad support and an outstanding record of success in protecting Maine's natural legacy

- The Land for Maine's Future program (LMF) has conserved lands in each of Maine's 16 counties, including mountain summits, salt marshes, rivers, lakes, ponds, and coastal shorelines
- LMF has helped conserve more than 250,000 acres of working forestland and dozens of water bodies, ensuring sustainable forest management and public access for hunting, fishing, and recreation
- LMF has conserved more than 1,000 miles of shorefront, guaranteeing access for canoeing, fishing, and boating
- LMF has worked with communities across the state to establish hundreds of miles of snowmobile trails and 158 miles of rail trails
- LMF is consistently supported by a large majority of Maine voters and legislators



#### The Forest, Farm, and Fish Bond supports Maine's natural resource-based economy

- Our natural resources are what set Maine apart they are our biggest competitive advantage.
  Preserving and protecting them is at the very heart of our economy and our quality of life. This is a value shared by families and businesses across the state
- The Land for Maine's Future program is an innovative component in our forward-thinking, sciencebased approach to natural resource stewardship
- The Forest, Farms, and Fish Bond helps protect working farms, working forests, and working waterfronts that are the backbone of Maine's economy and might otherwise be lost
- The Forest, Farms, and Fish Bond provides essential infrastructure to help preserve Maine's unique character, support ecotourism, and keep Maine an attractive place for new and growing businesses

# The Forest, Farm, and Fish Bond creates important new conservation and economic opportunities, including

- Partnering with landowners, municipalities, and state agencies in new conservation projects that support local economies
- Supporting forest fire suppression
- Upgrading State Park visitor facilities
- Building new and enhance existing recreational trails
- Preventing the loss and degradation of deer wintering habitat



## Pass the Forest, Farm, and Fish Bond and Protect Maine's Natural Legacy

For more information, please contact Jenn Gray, Maine Audubon, 207-798-2900 or jgray@maineaudubon.org.

#### **Maine Environmental Priorities Coalition**

Maine's Environmental Priorities Coalition is a partnership of 27 environmental, conservation, and public health organizations representing over 100,000 members who want to protect the good health, good jobs and quality of life that our environmental provides for all of us.

American Lung Association of Maine Appalachian Mountain Club Atlantic Salmon Federation Bicycle Coalition of Maine **Conservation Law Foundation Environmental Health Strategy Center Environment Maine Environment Northeast** Friends of Casco Bay Maine Audubon Maine Center for Economic Policy Maine Congress of Lake Associations Maine Council of Churches Maine Council of Trout Unlimited Maine Conservation Alliance Maine Interfaith Power and Light Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association Maine People's Alliance **Maine Rivers** Natural Resources Council of Maine Physicians for Social Responsibility, Maine Chapter **Product Policy Institute of Maine RESTORE: The North Woods** Sierra Club Maine The Ocean Conservancy The Wilderness Society **Toxics Action Center**