



## Town Offices

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Bill Weale  
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Dear Bill,

The Fairlee Selectboard is very appreciative of the energy and time you have given to researching and producing information about the past and present activities of the Fairlee Town Forest.

Due to your efforts the Board has taken action to evaluate the past, present and future direction of managing the Fairlee Town Forest.

- The Town is working with the David Paganelli, Orange County Forester and Rick Dyer, VT State Forester.
- Town Hall staff have utilized countless hours researching and gathering information pertaining to Town Forest activities.
- The current logging agreement was ratified by the Town.
- The Board has appointed a new member to the Forest Board to complete the term of the outgoing board member David Matthews.
- The Town Administrator is now making weekly visits to the logging job site to meet with the Town Forester and a logging company representative.
- The Town has scheduled an informational meeting event to educate the public about the current logging operation.
- The Town has begun negotiations with contractors to review and estimate the cost of repairing logging roads and trails.
- Town has identified and agreed to protect sensitive areas during the current logging operation.
- The forest management plan will be revamped with the participation of the Fairlee residents.
- No new logging operations will commence until the forest management plan update is adopted by the Selectboard.
- The funding mechanism, permits and conditions pertaining to the Town Forest will be assessed.

Thank you for your hard work on this topic of the Fairlee Town Forest.

With appreciation,

Tad Nunez  
Town Administrator

cc: Fairlee Selectboard  
Rick Dyer, VT State Forester  
David Paganelli, Orange County Forester