



THE ENGAGED SIERRAN

PROTECT MT. SUNAPEE STATE PARK



Mt. Sunapee State Park is the jewel in the crown of New Hampshire's State Park system where people can explore, enjoy, and protect the natural wonders of our forests. The nearby Pillsbury-Sunapee Highlands Corridor connects the park with over 30,000 acres the Sierra Club included as one of the 52 exceptional wild places in the country. The park, however, may change forever.

[Send a letter to protect Mt Sunapee State Park.](#)

The NH Dept. of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) has drafted a decision that will allow ski expansion into an area designated by the NH Natural Heritage Bureau as an exemplary natural forest with trees over 150 years old. The proposed ski lift and trails would bisect the area despite its "high ecological value" and rarity. Further, the proposal will disrupt the Summit Trail in several places.



The public comment period ends on June 5th - [send your letter today!](#)

Take Some Time to Enjoy What You Work For... Take part in one of many upcoming events!
Keep reading, or access our event calendar: <http://www.sierraclub.org/new-hampshire/events>

HIKE MT. SUNAPEE

Sunday, May 31 ~ 9:30am
Mt. Sunapee State Park

Join Sierra Club Leader Jerry Curran on a climb of the Summit Trail with biologist Gary Stansfield from the Friends of Mt. Sunapee. They will show us the pristine western slope of the mountain, and how that would be severely degraded should the proposed ski area expansion take place. 4 miles, with approximately 1400 feet of elevation gain.

[Register for the hike](#) so we can expect you!

NATURE WALK IN SHELDRIK FOREST

Saturday, June 13 - 10am
Wilton, NH

Join the New Hampshire Sierra Club to explore the unique "old growth" forest preserve in Wilton. The [Sheldrick Forest](#) was saved from development less than 20 years ago. The mature groves in this forest consist of white pine, hemlock and oak, some of which are close to 200 years old. This dense forest provides breeding habitat for wood thrushes, ovenbirds and scarlet tanagers.



We will be accompanied by a Hillsborough County forester who will enhance our visit with background information on how this unique area was saved. He will also educate us about these tall and mature trees and the wildlife in this 227-acre preserve.

This will be a gentle two mile walk in rolling terrain. Wear comfortable walking or hiking shoes. Bring lunch. Don't forget, sunscreen, insect repellent, water and a rain jacket (just in case). Sorry, no dogs are allowed in the preserve. [Access directions to the preserve.](#)

[Register for the walk](#) so we can expect you!

DO YOU LIKE CLEAN AIR AND WATER? SO DO WE!

Monday, June 15 ~ 5:30-7:30pm
Portsmouth Public Library
175 Parrott Avenue, Portsmouth, NH

Join us to learn all about the New Hampshire Sierra Club. Meet the Chapter Director and Treasurer, learn about open positions, engage in discussion about how the New Hampshire Sierra Club operates, learn what you can do to get more involved, hear about upcoming events/fundraisers and win fun prizes!

Thank you to **The Portsmouth Brewery** for providing light refreshments!

[RSVP today](#) so we can expect you!



EASY SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

June 25, 26, 27 - Staff our Sierra Club table at [Concord's Market Days](#)! You will receive training prior to the Market Days, at your convenience. We're asking folks to volunteer for two-hour shifts.

July 4 - Staff our Sierra Club table at **Amherst, NH's Fourth of July parade** and celebration! This is a not-to-be-missed chance to see many major candidates for office, besides enjoying a classic all-American event. We will need you from 9am-12pm. You will receive training on materials and topics prior to the 4th.

Show your support for the NH Chapter's clean energy agenda by staffing the NHSC table at these events!

Sign up today -- Email nhsc603@gmail.com

It's time for the

SPRING SIP

Thursday, June 11 ~ 5:30-7:30pm
True Brew Barista
3 Bicentennial Square, Concord, NH

Join New Hampshire's conservation community for the annual Spring Sip. Meeting members of other local conservation groups and enjoy a summer evening in your capitol city! Questions? Contact Susan Arnold, (603) 664-2050 or Arnold.Susan@gmail.com.



MOVIE NIGHT

Last Call: The Untold Reasons of the Global Crisis

Saturday, June 13 - 7pm
Unitarian Universalist Church, 274 Pleasant St., Concord

The global climate change crisis is an issue that we all have to face, and there is need for better communication and cooperation in our efforts to understand its underlying causes and deal with its fallout. Last Call examines the following questions:

"Can the golden age of unlimited growth last forever?"
"Are there no actual physical limitations to growth on our planet?"

Based on forty years of systems research by MIT scientists, this film demonstrates why the assumption of unlimited growth on our planet is a dangerous delusion and asks the most important question: "What do we each need to do in order to move to a new model of equity and sustainability?"

Free and open to the public, with discussion following.

Contact John Warner at jwarner@mcttelecom.com for more information about this local showing, or visit www.lastcallthefilm.org for film information.



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