

Part TWO: Deer Management and Forest Health: A public meeting



On September 8, 2014, the Hanover Conservation Commission and its Biodiversity subcommittee held a panel discussion on Deer Management and Forest Health. The event was co-sponsored by the Hanover Conservancy and the Upper Valley Land Trust

Panelists included the following participants:

- **Forest Health:** Tom Rawinski, Botanist, US Forest Service
Bill Guenther and Jon Bouton, Vermont County Foresters
Issues related to overabundance of deer: biodiversity, regeneration, browse indicators, invasive plants.
- **Points of View:** Dan Bergeron, Deer Project Leader, NH Fish and Game
Adam Murkowski, Deer Project Leader, VT Fish and Wildlife
Deer management objectives, forest management practices that affect deer abundance, monitoring for health of both deer and forests
- **Experiments:** Todd Bittner, Director Natural Areas, Cornell Plantations
Cornell Plantations Deer Management: experiments / outcomes

Links to information about this meeting:

- [CATV coverage](#) of evening session. More than 150 members of the public from 23 towns attended one of the two sessions.
- [Valley News front-page story](#): appeared September 9, 2014
- [Summary of the presentations](#)
- [Public comments from the Q&A](#) in the evening session.