



Granite State Division SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FORESTERS

Representing the forestry profession in New Hampshire
54 Portsmouth Street Concord, NH 03301

Dear Granite State SAF Member,

The Granite State SAF Executive Committee would like to thank you for your continued support and membership to SAF. Organizations like ours rely on members to support our collective goals. New Hampshire members have identified student support as a priority for the success of SAF and the profession. We provide this support by awarding three \$1,000 scholarships and reduced rates at professional meetings and workshops. Granite State SAF's financial support for student registration can be as high as \$500 for the winter meeting alone. We would also like to extend our support for registrations to NESAF and National meetings as well.

An exciting new effort to support students is the implementation of a forestry internship grant which gives forestry companies, based in New Hampshire, an incentive to offer summer jobs to current or recently graduated forestry students. This initiative is still in its infancy but it has the potential to jump-start a young forester's career. The forestry internship grant currently offers a total of \$2,000 every summer.

Following through with our goals, such as supporting students, requires funding. We have been lucky enough in recent years to be able to offer these incentives through our annual budget. However we must look for additional funding sources if we are to continue and increase these incentives for young individuals interested in forestry and SAF. This is where your support helps. Please consider donating to the Granite State SAF Student Incentives Fund so that we may continue to recognize student achievements and encourage these motivated individuals to pursue a career in forestry. Donations may be made as a single one-time payment or as a longer term annual commitment. Donations will be held in a dedicated Student Incentives Fund to be used exclusively for these purposes.

We will recognize those individuals and businesses that have contributed at the annual winter meeting. All donations are tax deductible. Please make checks payable to: GSD-SAF, with Student Incentives Fund on the memo line and mail to: c/o Steven Junkin, 54 Portsmouth Street, Concord, NH 03301. Thank you very much for your support of our future foresters.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andy Fast".

Andy Fast, Chair on behalf of:

The Granite State Division Society of American Foresters Executive Committee