

TOWN OF NELSON

Current Use Assessment Update

As a result of the State of New Hampshire Assessment Review program that began in 2003, the Selectmen's Office needs to verify that a recipient of Current Use Exemption has on file an application (A-10) and a map delineating the area in current use.

The town's year for assessment review is 2011. N.H. State Statutes require this for each property in Current Use Pursuant to RSA 79-A. Many current use taxpayers have already received the request and we are asking for your help. You have been asked to provide up to three updates in accordance with the Current Use Criteria.:

- 1) An updated A-10 Application for Current Use
- 2) An updated Current Use Map
- 3) A current forest stewardship plan as required by CUB 304.03(j) (3b) or a completed CU-12 (Summary of Forest Stewardship Plan for Current Use Assessment). **Required if receiving managed forest rates.

With forest land in managed stewardship, taxpayers *must* submit a managed forest plan signed off by a New

Hampshire licensed forester, or submit documentation from the NH Tree Farm Committee confirming Certified Tree Farm status in order to re-qualify to remain in the documented stewardship category. If this is not accomplished then the land will be changed to *unmanaged* current use classification. (This law was enacted in July of 1996.)

Working on these records, town staff are generally available to help and answer questions during open town office hours, which are Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9 AM to 12 noon and 5:00 to 6:30 PM on Wednesday.

Call 603-847-0047 or stop by.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Judi Lang - Current Use Coordinator, and the Nelson Board of Selectmen - Jane S. Kirk, Chair, Michael Blandschun, and Margaret Schillemat.



NELSON TOWN BAND

There will be a Nelson Town Band Community Holiday Concert on Sunday, December 20, at 4:00 PM in Nelson Town Hall. Join in for a lovely concert by our very own.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR NELSON RESIDENTS

The Keene Rotary is offering scholarships to people who are pursuing college degrees, classes at technical schools and folks who need a course or two to improve their skills for better employment opportunities.

For more information about the Rotary scholarship, contact Peter Brnger at 358-3038 x 103, or go directly to the Keene Rotary Club's website: www.keenerotary.org.

You will need to provide your personal information such as address, phone, e-mail address and a one-page description about why the financial assistance would be beneficial to you.

Please help spread the word to anyone you know who might benefit from this opportunity.



Resources Available to You for Current Use Information

A copy of the State of New Hampshire Current Use Criteria Booklet for April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 can be obtained in three ways:

- (1) On the department web site at: www.nh.gov/revenue/munc_prop/propertyappraisal.htm
- (2) On CD at no charge by sending a self-addressed stamped disc-envelope and a blank recordable CD to NH Dept of Revenue Administration Current Use Board, PO Box 487, Concord, NH 03302-0487
- (3) For a fee at the NH State Library, Reference and Information Bureau, 20 Park Street, Concord, NH 03301. Telephone: (603)271-2239 (Cost quoted August 2009: \$7.00 – 20 cents per page for a 35 page document.)

NOTE: A copy of the State of New Hampshire Current Use Criteria Booklet for April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 is also located in the Nelson Library (Olivia Rodham Memorial Library) for viewing during their open hours. Open hours are: Monday & Saturday 10am-1pm; Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 3pm-7pm.

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Office Cheshire County Forester is also a resource to you for information relating to Current Use criteria. Call 603-352-4550 and ask for the Cheshire County Forester. (Office hours 8-4:30pm Monday-Friday)