

Knowlton Memorial Hall  
25 Pompey Hollow Road, Rt. 44  
Ashford, CT

Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2018

Snow date: 1/29/2018

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Refreshments: 6:30 p.m.

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## Protecting Family Farms & Forests

Contact person: 860-617-7022

### Workshop Agenda

- 6:30 p.m. Sign-In and Refreshments
- 7:00 p.m. What is a Conservation Easement?  
MassConn Regional Conservation Fund
- 7:30 p.m. Forest Legacy Grant Program
- 8:00 p.m. New Forestland Conservation Grant  
for Southern New England
- 8:30 p.m. Farmland Conservation
- 9:00 p.m. ADJOURN

**There is no charge** to attend this workshop.

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### Directions:

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## *Your Family's Land: Legacy or Memory?*

### A Land Protection Workshop for Farm & Forest Owners in Ashford, Willington, & Surrounding Towns

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Protecting family land is important. Unfortunately, however, it's not always as simple a process as we may like. There are lots of ways to do it and lots of information to consider. There are tax relief and funding programs that you may or may not qualify for.

This workshop is designed to start you on the path to a land protection plan that works for you and your family. You'll learn about people, programs, and tools available to help you develop your plan.

It's your land, and only you have the right to decide what will one day happen to it. By investing one evening in this workshop, you can ensure that whatever decisions you make are informed ones, based not on guesses or rumors, but on facts and real knowledge of the subject.

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*Meet friends, neighbors, local Conservation Commissioners, and Land Use Professionals*

7:00 p.m. *What is a Conservation Easement?*  
*MassConn Regional Conservation Fund*  
**Ed Hood**, Director of Opacum Land Trust &  
MassConn Sustainable Forest Partnership  
<http://opacumlt.org/massconn/rcf/>

7:30 p.m. *Forest Legacy Grant Program* **Dan Peracchio**, CT Department of Energy &  
Environmental Protection <http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2697&Q=483756>

8:00 p.m. *New Forestland Conservation Grant for Southern New England*  
**Lois Bruinooge**, Director of The Last Green Valley  
<http://thelastgreenvalley.org/learn-protect/agriculture-forestry/>

8:30 p.m. *Farmland Conservation*  
**Elisabeth Moore**, Director of Connecticut Farmland Trust <http://ctfarmland.org/>

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