

The Region's Assets – Highlights from Asset Mapping – 10/2/20

The People

- 1800 permanent residents
- 4000 seasonal residents
- 15 Lake neighborhoods
- 32 - 1220 camps/cottages

Businesses/Employers

- East Grand School
- East Grand Health Center
- Danforth Habilitation Center
- 9 natural resource-based businesses employing 100+
- 8 retail businesses
- 23 service-related businesses
- 10 independent trucking businesses
- 12 sporting camps and lodges

Cultural/Heritage

- Danforth History Center
- Danforth Union Hall
- Town histories and landmarks – Amity, Bancroft, Brookton, Forest City, Haynesville, Orient, Weston, UT communities
- Woodie Wheaton Land Trust
- Chiputneticook Lakes International Conservancy

Clubs/Social Networks & Services

- 8 faith communities
- Alumni Associations
- Food Pantries
- Baskahegan Masonic Lodge
- American Legion
- 3 ATV clubs
- 4 Snowmobile clubs

Natural Resources

- 500,000 acres that are 85% in working forest with 60,000 acres conserved or in public ownership
- 2000 acres of fields with only 20% actively farmed
- 30,000 acres of lake and ponds
- 3 watersheds (the Baskahegan and Mattawamkeag as part of the Penobscot), and the St. Croix
- 200 miles of water trails - existing and under-development
- 200 miles of snowmobile and ATV trails
- 6 miles of hiking trails
- 28 access points to public water (3 in public ownership)
- Scenic Highway with Million Dollar Views to Mt. Katahdin and East Grand Lake

Built Infrastructure

- Town of Danforth – local service center
- Reliable utilities – US Cellular; Verizon; Eastern Maine Electric; Gillis Fuel; transfer stations
- Emergency Helipad
- Southern Pacific Rail
- Fiber-optic lines in place on Route 1
- Located in proximity to three larger service areas - Houlton, Lincoln, Calais

Financial & Investment

- Machias Savings Bank branch
- Significant community investment by foundations and donors since 2014
- Significant investment to conserve the region's forests
- 1000's of volunteer hours from individuals and businesses
- Committed Investors, Volunteers and Advisors
 - *Citizens Organization for Rural Education*
 - *Many private donors*
 - *Machias Savings Bank*
 - *The Conservation Fund*
 - *Sewall Foundation*
 - *Maine Community Foundation*
 - *Stephen & Tabitha King Foundation*
 - *Forest Society of Maine/Stetson Fund*
 - *Washington County Commissioners - UT*
 - *Baskahegan Company*
 - *Rural Aspirations*
 - *Sunrise County Economic Council*
 - *Northern Maine Development Commission*
 - *Lakeville Shores, Inc.*
 - *Southern Aroostook Development Corp*
 - *Pioneer Broadband*