

2019 Forest Management Summary Carl Siemon Family Charitable Trust

April 27, 2020

- Timber stand improvement work, funded by Natural Resource Conservation Service in 2017, was completed during 2019. One hundred and six acres of TSI (timber stand improvement) was completed on the Booma, Nason and Tripp lots. On the Tripp lot the work was done in younger black birch, white pine, and red oak pole stands. The work on the Booma lots was conducted in a stand which had been commercially thinned in 2010 and 2012. Here the TSI was used to cut beech sprouts in order to release white pine and red oak regeneration, while additionally thinning the stand lightly harvested in 2010. This forest is now an ideally stocked red oak stand exhibiting rapid growth.
- In the 2018 report, a wildlife habitat project was reported to be in the planning stage. During 2019 this area was cleared to create a small field opening in an old log landing on the Donahue lot, which is 1,000 feet east of Rt. 109. This field can be accessed by the public from the gate on Rt. 109 by walking up the access road constructed in 2012 with cost-sharing funds. The final stages of this work are currently in progress with additional clearing, along with amendments being added to create an enriched soil. This will enable the successful planting of clover, and fruit bearing trees for wildlife, such as native crabapples. The trees selected will be those which hold their fruit throughout the winter, which greatly aids many species of birds and mammals in NH. We attempted to dig a pond, as we had planned. Test pits dug in August showed that the water levels did not remain high enough in the low water season to proceed with the pond.
- Lost boundary lines were axe blazed and painted red on the Donahue and Tripp lots.

Daniel Stepanauskas, Forester
135 High St.
Silver Lake, NH 03875
(603)367-8111
norfor@roadrunner.com