

Loon Restoration Projects

Project Name: Pingree

Project Area: Protects more than 110 lakes and ponds with 215 miles of shoreline in northern Maine.

Protection Completion Date: March, 2001

Project Sponsor: New England Forestry Foundation, Pingree Family

Acreage protected: 762,192 acres in conservation easement

Loon Pairs protected: 37

Project Cost: \$28 million

North Cape Contribution: \$500,000

Other Funding Sources: The Nature Conservancy, the USFWS and more than 45 foundations contributed to the project, including the John Merck Fund and the Merck Family fund, The Libra foundation, the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, the Kresge Foundation and many others.

Project Name: West Branch of the Penobscot River

Project Area: Lands surrounding the West Branch of the Penobscot River, stretching from the north shore of Moosehead Lake west to the Canadian border and north to Baker Lake and the St. John River headwaters.

Protection Completion Date: December, 2003

Project Sponsor: Forest Society of Maine, State of Maine

Acreage protected: 47,000-acre fee acquisition, 282,000-acre conservation easement

Loon Pairs protected: 30

Project Cost: \$35 million

North Cape Contribution: \$800,000

Other Funding Sources: USDA Forest Service's Forest Legacy Program, Land for Maine's Future Program, The Nature Conservancy, Open Space Conservancy, Maine Northern Forest Fund

Project Name: Machias River

Project Area: Headwaters of the Machias River watershed in downeast, Maine, including 47 miles of shoreline along the Machias and Niatous Lakes.

Protection Completion Date: Phase I – December, 2003, Phase II – July, 2006

Project Sponsor: State of Maine, The Conservation Fund

Acreage protected: 14,000-acre fee acquisition, 18,000-acre conservation easement

Loon Pairs protected: 11

Project Cost: \$20 million

North Cape Contribution: \$450,000

Other Funding sources: USFWS, US Forest Service, Land for Maine's Future Program, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Open Space Institute, Sweetwater Trust, International Paper, The Nature Conservancy, Maine Atlantic Salmon Federation, Trout Unlimited, Downeast Lakes Land Trust, Quoddy Regional Land Trust, Downeast Rivers Land Trust, Project SHARE

Project Name: Downeast Lakes Forestry Partnership

Project Area: Protects more than 50 lakes with 445 miles of lake shoreline and more than 1,500 miles of river and stream shoreline in Downeast, Maine. Much of the protected land is located between West Grand Lake and New Brunswick, Canada.

Project Completion Date: Phase I – December, 2004, Phase II – March, 2005

Project Sponsor: New England Forestry Foundation, Downeast Lakes Land Trust

Acreage protected: 27,000-acre fee acquisition, 312,000-acre conservation easement

Loon Pairs protected: 49

Project Cost: \$35 million

North Cape Contribution: \$1,050,000

Other Funding sources: The Nature Conservancy, Land For Maine's Future Program, USFWS, Sweet Water Trust, Open Space Conservancy, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, Wal-Mart, The Conservation Fund