

2023 Woodland Resource Action Plans – WoodsWise East

Additional specifications: WRAPs receiving additional funding under the WoodsWise East program must include additional information describing habitat conditions. These must be in a stand-alone section marked “WoodsWise East”.

A. Bird Habitat description(s): A paragraph describing/summarizing overall forest composition and structure, and the presence/absence of the following habitat features*:

- ***Early and/or late successional stands***
- ***Canopy layers: Overstory – Midstory – Understory***
- ***Dominant species, % Cover, Gaps***

Recommended:

- Snags, Cavity/Decay Trees
- Down Coarse Woody Material, Fine Woody Material
- Invasive Plants
- Incorporating habitat into stand prescriptions/recommendations

Additional resources:

- Forestry for Maine Birds booklet/book (FFMB Stand Assessment Data Form (Short Version) MAY be used if desired
- Biodiversity in the Forest of Maine
- Focus-Species Forestry
- IFW species information

B. Brook trout habitat:

- ***Show streams on the stand map or a separate map***
- ***Include a paragraph describing stream habitats***
 - ***Streams present on the property***
 - ***Identify if crossings/other structures are barriers to aquatic organism passage***
 - ***Overall riparian forest conditions***
- Recommended: Incorporating habitat into stand prescriptions/recommendations

Additional resources:

- Stream Smart principles & publications: IFW species information

NOTE: many of these items are already required in WRAP specifications and can be summarized, but the above paragraphs should stand alone. Habitat information can also be incorporated into stand prescriptions & project recommendations in line with the landowner’s objectives.

WRAP amendments (e.g. for habitat assessment, silvicultural operations plan, upgrade to CAP-106 or TF standard) should append the above information onto the existing plan. If incorporated into the plan, it must be clearly identified and easy to find.