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equips Maine communities, landowners, and conservation partners with tools to protect, restore, and connect important habitats and ecosystems in a changing climate.

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# Habitat Connectivity Conserved Lands, Undeveloped Habitat Blocks & Habitat Connectors

# Van Buren

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Organized Towns

Unorganized Towns

### **Habitat Connectors\***

Likely Road Crossing Areas

**Highway Bridges Potential Connectors** 

#### Main Stream Habitat Viewer Crossings

Barrier

**Potential Barrier** 

No Barrier

## **Habitat Blocks**

Acres

o-500 Acres

**500 + Acres** 

#### Focus Areas



Focus Areas of Statewide Ecological Significance

\*Represented habitat connections identified through computer modeling highlight locations where quality habitat is likely to occur on both sides of a given road between undeveloped habitat blocks greater than 100 acres and between higher value wetlands.These representations are approximate and have not been field verified.

## Data Sources

TOWNSHIP BOUNDARIES ME Office of GIS (2021) **IMPERVIOUS** CCAP NOAA impervious land cover (2022) HYDROLOGY US Geological Survey (2016) CONSERVED LANDS ME Dept of Ag., Cons., and For., Land Use Planning Comm'n, ME Dep. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (2024)

UNDEVELOPED HABITAT BLOCKS Beginning with Habitat (2020) FOCUS AREAS & HABITAT CONNECTORS Beginning with Habitat (2023) MAINE STREAM HABITAT VIEWER CROSSINGS ME Dep. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (2022)





