

# NORTHWEST MASSACHUSETTS VIRTUAL FOREST CENTER FOCUS GROUP

## **7:00 PM-7:10 PM- Introductions and Background**

- Land Acknowledgment
- Purpose Statement
- Project team Introductions and Background
  - Rowe MVP Grant
  - Woodlands Partnership of Northwest Massachusetts
  - Ohketeau Cultural Center
  - Forest Climate Resilience Program

## **7:10 PM-7:20 PM- What is Climate Smart Forestry**

- An Intro to climate smart forestry in the region

## **7:20 PM-7:30 PM- Indigenous Stewardship**

- Indigenous stewardship and the Virtual Forest Center

## **7:30 PM-7:40- The Virtual Forest Center of Northwest Massachusetts**

- What's a virtual forest center and why do we need one

## **7:40 PM-8:00- Group Discussion**

- Share and discuss the current vision and target audience for the Virtual Forest Center
- Question and response
  - Considering your professional or personal connection to local municipal forestland, what sort of resources do you think your community needs to support forest protection and stewardship?
  - What are some questions that you have about forests in Northwest Massachusetts that you have asked in the past or would hope to have answered by this virtual resource?
  - Another question?

## **8:00 PM-8:30- Virtual Forest Center Web Plan**

- Brief presentation of current suggested layout of the virtual forest center
- Break out room discussion
  - Discuss what you do/don't like about current web plan
  - Suggest improvement or additions
- Group discussion
- Next steps