

Ecosystem Approach to Forest Management

Professional natural resource managers and the public are increasingly interested in an ecosystem-based approach to forest management. This emerging interest raises the question of how such an approach might apply in a landscape that is dominated by nonindustrial private forest (NIPF) ownerships. Susan M. Campbell and D.B. Kittredge report on the results of a pilot study of a voluntary incentive-based program in one town in western Massachusetts in their 1996 article, *Ecosystem-based Management on Multiple NIPF Ownerships*. Carried in the *Journal of Forestry* 94(2)::24-29, their ideas may also be useful to parks as they work with their neighbors on similar issues.