### Protecting Public Access to Our Most Beautiful Places

North, South, East, and West. Mountain summits, river shorelines, lakes, and ponds, coastal islands, beaches, forests, grasslands, wildlife habitat, and wetlands, LMF assistance has put these special places in the public trust forever.



# Conservation and the Maine Economy:

- In 2021, Maine's outdoor recreation economy supported 31,293 jobs, \$1.24 billion in wages and \$548 million in tax revenues,
- Each year 1.4 million people hunt, fish, or enjoy wildlife-watching in Maine, contributing over \$2.8 billion in spending to the state economy,
- Maine's Forest Products industry supports 33,500 jobs and is an \$8.5 billion industry,
- Maine's marine resource economy is valued at approximately \$3.2 billion,
- Maine's agricultural sector produced \$2.1 billion in direct sales with an overall impact of \$3.6 billion.









## **Working Lands**

Outdoor recreation is an important public benefit of our conservation work, but our working lands are the foundation for some of our most traditional industries – fishing, forestry, and farming. LMF has protected more working land than any other type of land.





# Completed projects in all of Maine's 16 counties

Ensuring access throughout the State of Maine is a top priority. LMF has successful projects in each of our 16 counties.



### Featured Project: Coos Canyon

Applicant: Town of Byron

Sponsor: Bureau of Parks and Lands

Oxford County

Coos Canyon is a magnificent canyon carved out of bedrock by the Swift River in Byron, Maine. The canyon extends for about 500 yards and includes steep cliffs, rock formations that have been gracefully carved by the rivers flow, waterfalls, deep pools and tumbling rapids. The Coos Canyon LMF project provides access to the Swift River, famous for its beauty and its gold! In the winter, the property provides an important connector trail for snowmobilers traveling east/west between ITS #117 and ITS #82 and accessing the village center of Byron.

## Representative Projects:

- Hooper Pond (Androscoggin)
- Four Seasons Trail (Aroostook)
- Maquoit Bay (Cumberland)
- Orbeton Stream (Franklin)
- Amherst Mountains (Hancock)
- Parker Pond (Kennebec)
- Beech Hill (Knox)
- Crooked Farm (Lincoln)
- Coos Canyon (Oxford)
- Mattawamkeag River (Penobscot),
- Mt. Kineo (Piscataquis)
- Thorne Head (Sagadahoc)
- Lake George (Somerset)
- Sheepscot Pond (Waldo)
- Jasper Beach (Washington)
- Ferry Beach (York).

### LMF Accomplishments

With over 616,000 acres of conservation and recreation lands, including 333,425 acres of working lands, LMF has protected a total of almost 630,000 acres, including:

- 73 water access sites
- 41 farms and 9,884 acres of farmlands
- 30 working waterfront properties
- 158 miles of former railroad corridors for recreational trails and over 62 miles of coastal access.

629,722 Acres Protected



- 281,519 Acres in Fee
- 348,203 Acres in Easement

