The charitable arm of

GRANITE STATE WOODLAND INSTITUTE

A Legacy for

New Hampshire Timberlands
Our founders’ vision and foresight

The founders of the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association (NHTOA) left a wonderful legacy for our forests and forest industry. They created an organization that has worked to protect the forests and promote the state’s wood industries for more than a century. The founders of the NHTOA planted a seedling in 1911 that has grown into an impressive tree. Their foresight is why we have a thriving forest community and industry today.

A community of donors

The NHTOA is not a large organization. We accomplish great things with a small budget, thanks to the dedication of our members, board, and staff. Now we ask you to consider making a lasting gift to support our work. A modest endowment, built from many estate gifts, will help secure the future of the organization. Several members of the NHTOA already have included the organization in their estate plans. Won’t you please consider joining them?
Leaving a legacy of your own

Leaving a gift through your will to the Granite State Woodland Institute (GSWI), the charitable arm of the NHTOA, would be your legacy to New Hampshire’s working forest and to the men, women, and families who own, manage, and make their living in forest products industry. The funds will be invested and held to support the NHTOA’s critical work year after year. Future generations will remember you for your generosity.

Making a charitable provision in your will is simple. There are three basic ways:

• Specifying a dollar amount
• Specifying a percentage of your estate, or
• Leaving the residual — that is, what’s left in your estate after all the other distributions.

Here is suggested wording you can incorporate into your will: “I hereby give and bequeath ______________ (dollar amount, or percentage of my estate, or residual of my estate after other bequests) to the Granite State Woodland Institute, a voluntary New Hampshire corporation with its principal place of business at 54 Portsmouth Street, Concord, New Hampshire 03301, for its general purposes.”

You also can give land or other valuable property to the Granite State Woodland Institute.

If you have recently updated your will and do not want to pay an attorney to rewrite the document, you can ask your attorney to add a codicil – an addendum directing that you want the Granite State Woodland Institute to receive a portion of your estate.
Designate a gift through your retirement funds

Another way of leaving a gift is to inform the company that is the custodian of your IRA or other retirement funds that you wish to designate GSWI as the charitable beneficiary of a percentage of one of your retirement funds. This is easy to do and does not require hiring an attorney. However, you should seek the advice of a professional advisor when making decisions about your estate.

Thank you!

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