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Welcome!

"Oh wow!" This is what I keep hearing from review panel members as they join staff and applicants to visit sites that are seeking LCHIP funding in this year's grant round. We recently toured an extraordinarily intact former stagecoach stop where bedrooms for coach drivers were still in place on the third floor, complete with box-bed frames over cubbies for chamber pots. Another day, we were at a field that includes a pair of Stonehenge-esque standing stones purportedly set to mark the site line toward Mount Washington, over 50 miles away. The day was too cloudy to reveal the view, but the idea is intriguing enough to elicit another "Oh wow!"



LCHIP Natural Resource Specialist Paula Bellemore discusses a project proposal for land adjacent to the historic 1936 [Nansen Ski Jump](#) in Milan.

Truly, the historic buildings and natural landscapes of New Hampshire are a treasure trove for everyone to enjoy and protect.

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Project News

LCHIP Helps the Chocorua Lake

Conservancy Protect Iconic View of Mount Chocorua

For many New Hampshire residents and visitors, the [view of Mt. Chocorua across the Chocorua Lakes](#) stirs memories of long-ago family vacations spent road-tripping through the White Mountains, camping at [White Lake State Park](#), or leaf-peeping in the fall. The quintessential view of New Hampshire's glory from Rt. 16 is so picturesque that it was chosen to represent the White Mountain National Forest on the U.S. Mint's [2013 "America the Beautiful" quarter](#). The mountain is often touted as the most photographed in the world and its distinctive bald peak can be seen from many points throughout New Hampshire and western Maine.



Recently conserved view of Mount Chocorua from Route 16 in Tamworth.

LCHIP is proud to have partnered with the [Chocorua Lake Conservancy \(CLC\)](#) to secure an easement preserving public access to this view forever. While the land remains in private ownership, the easement will insure the iconic view is maintained, and the CLC will work with the landowner to add off-road parking and other safety measures. Learn more about Mt. Chocorua history and trails [here](#).

Wentworth-Gardner House, Portsmouth

Located in the historic [South End of Portsmouth](#), the Wentworth-Gardner House (1760) is a classic example of American Georgian architecture and has been a museum for over a century and a National Historic Landmark since 1969. The stewards, Wentworth-Gardner and Tobias Lear Houses Association, just wrapped up work supported by LCHIP and recommended in a 1995 Historic Structure Report. This included repairing and repainting windows, woodwork and ceilings as well as repairing exterior stonework and the apron that surrounds the building. Thanks to this project, the house more accurately reflects its original appearance and is better preserved for the future. Read more about its history [here](#).



Wentworth-Gardner House, Portsmouth

2017 LCHIP Grant Recipients

Bartlett - Bartlett Roundhouse	Lebanon - Rogers House
Belmont - Currier-Sanborn Conservation	Littleton - Littleton Community Center

Area	Carriage House
Bennington - <u>Crotched Mountain West</u>	Lyndeborough - <u>Proctor Preserve</u>
Canaan - <u>Union Academy</u>	Marlow - <u>Jones Hall</u>
Canterbury - <u>Cart Shed Planning Study</u>	Nashua - <u>St. Mary & Archangel Michael Church</u>
Concord - <u>Chamberlin House</u>	Ossipee - <u>Munroe Preserve</u>
Concord - <u>Kimball Jenkins Carriage House</u>	Peterborough - <u>Peterborough Town House</u>
Deerfield - <u>Beye-Pendleton Conservation Project</u>	Peterborough - <u>Unitarian Universalist Church</u>
Derry - <u>First Parish Church</u>	Portsmouth - <u>Rundlet-May House</u>
Dover - <u>Hale House</u>	Rindge - <u>Woman's Memorial Bell Tower</u>
Dover - <u>Woodman House Planning Study</u>	Rye - Rye Town Hall
Durham - Harriman Farm	Rye - <u>St. Andrew's-by-the-Sea</u>
Farmington - <u>Leary Fields & Forest</u>	Rye - <u>Star Island, Oceanic Hotel</u>
Grafton - <u>Hinkson's Carding Mill</u>	Salisbury - Little Mountain Forest
Greenfield - <u>Greenfield Meetinghouse Planning Study</u>	Statewide - <u>Preservation Planning Grant</u>
Hancock - <u>Hancock Meetinghouse</u>	Stratham - <u>Barker's Farm</u>
Haverhill - <u>Rocky Hill Farm Meadows</u>	Warner - <u>Brown Conservation Easement</u>
Haverhill - <u>Wentworth-Brown House</u>	Washington - <u>Washington Meetinghouse</u>
Jaffrey - <u>Royce Conservation Easement</u>	Westmoreland - Chickering Farm
Laconia - <u>Belknap Mill</u>	Wolfeboro - <u>Wolfeboro Railroad Freight Shed</u>
Langdon - <u>Langdon Meetinghouse</u>	

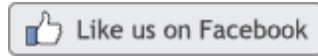


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Headline Photo:

Autumn view looking southeast from the western boundary of the Leary Fields and Forest in Farmington. In 2017 LCHIP awarded Moose Mountain Regional Greenways (MMRG) \$100,000 to help them secure a conservation easement on this property. Read more about MMRG and the Leary Field and Forest [here](#) and [here](#).

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