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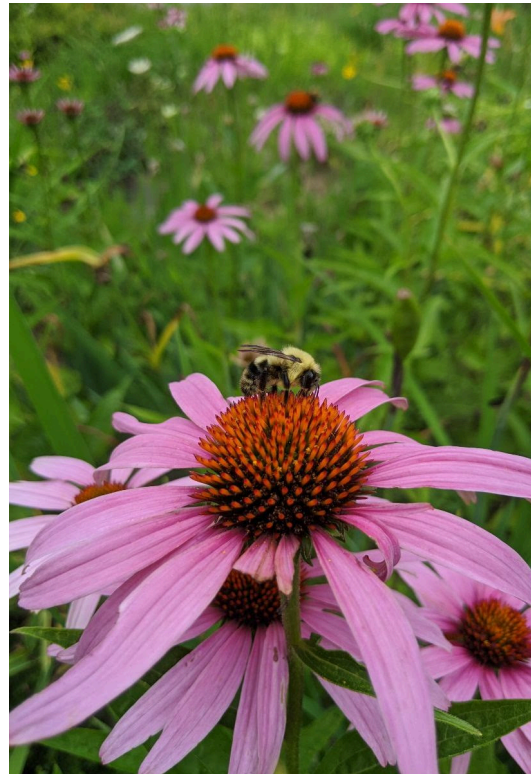
Conservation Commission Activities, Grant Opportunities, Updates and more!



Celebrate Pollinators

June is National Pollinator Month, and a perfect time to learn more about the critical role bees, butterflies, birds, and other pollinators play in sustaining our food supply and a healthy environment. Without pollinators, our ecosystems would collapse. The good news is that we can protect and restore natural areas to help pollinators thrive. Many organizations are working to protect pollinators including [Pollinator Pathways NH](#), [NH Fish & Game](#), and [NH Audubon](#). The Cheshire County Conservation District for [Pollinator Palooza](#), hosts a celebration of pollinators on Saturday, June 27.

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CCs in the News

Rindge Conservation Commission Hosts Pollinator Program

The Rindge Conservation Commission hosted a guided pollinator walk on June 21, at the Contoocook Marsh Conservation Complex in Rindge. Participants joined guides Carol Truesdell and Rob Rubendall for a walk along the conservation area's easy trails. The program focused on native plants that support bees, butterflies and other pollinators, as well as the role pollinators play in maintaining healthy ecosystems. [Read More.](#)

Intersecting Insights

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Finalizes Habitat Protections for Endangered Rusty Patched Bumble Bee

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is designating approximately 1.5 million acres of occupied critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act for the endangered rusty patched bumble bee. This designation covers 33 counties in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin. The bumble bee is found primarily in urban and suburban areas in the Midwest, including greater metropolitan areas such as Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota; Chicago, Illinois; Iowa City, Iowa; and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The critical habitat designation supports the recovery of the first federally listed pollinator. [Read More.](#)

Training & Education Opportunities

Pollinator Pathways NH

Wednesday, June 24, at 12 noon on Zoom

Presenter: Evy Nathan, Pollinator Pathways New Hampshire

Through community partnerships, educational outreach, hands-on events, and local engagement, Pollinator Pathways has been empowering individuals, neighborhoods, and organizations in Southern NH to create sustainable, connected habitats for pollinators. From seed swaps and seedling sales to workshops, school programs and conservation partnerships, they're building a movement to protect the pollinators that sustain our ecosystems. Learn what you can do in your town – and in your back yard.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Butterflies without Borders: Tracking Monarch Migration

NH Audubon Webinar

Webinar, Wednesday, August 5, 2026 • 7:00pm-8:15pm

Monarchs are one of the most iconic insects in North America – and the only North American butterfly that undertakes a long-distance, multi-generational migration. Unfortunately, these formerly abundant butterflies have experienced dramatic population declines since the 1990s. Join NH Audubon biologist Lindsay Herlihy to explore some of the cutting-edge technologies used to track Monarch movements and to discuss the data NH Audubon biologists are gathering. She'll also share ways you can help support Monarch conservation and research right

here in the Granite State. This program will be recorded and made available online for interested viewers who are unable to make it to the webinar itself. This event is free of charge. [More Info](#)

Bee House Building Workshop

Green Mountain Conservation Group

Wednesday, June 24, 2026 • 2:00pm-3:30pm

Join us for a bee house building workshop with beekeeper and educator Tim Walsh where you will learn about the importance of pollinators and creating pollinator habitat for native, solitary bees (like mason and leafcutter bees) and construct custom wooden nesting habitats to take home! Suggested donation for the program is \$20 per bee house. [More Info](#)

Natural Resource Conservation Service Has Pollinator Practices for Landowners

Pollinators provide approximately \$20 billion worth of pollination for American crops each year. It's obvious that pollinators are valuable. But did you know that many pollinators are in trouble? Many species are seeing declines in population as a result of habitat loss, disease, parasites and over-use of pesticides. NRCS has teamed up with farmers and ranchers across the U.S. to use conservation to aid pollinators while improving agricultural operations. This win-win effort – for pollinators, the environment and agriculture– is made possible by producers who create pollinator habitat in their fields, pastures and forests.

In New Hampshire, producers plant conservation cover, field borders and hedgerows. These conservation activities, or practices, are just three of 37 that NRCS offers to help producers create the perfect places for pollinators to forage and take shelter. [Learn More.](#)

Dues

Thank you to the 196 commissions that have paid 2026 Dues! We really appreciate your continued support for the work of NHACC and we look forward to working with our members throughout the year. As a member you can take advantage of our benefits. Not only do we send out a monthly Enews, you can find recordings of our lunch & learn programs and our wetlands training series on our [YouTube channel](#), or join the NHACC listserv at [NHACC Exchange](#).

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