

The Hastings Conservation Commission presents
a two-part forum on the state of Hillside Woods

State of the Woods

Our Local Ecology, and What We Can Do to Restore It

Forums with Expert Naturalists and Guided Walks in Hillside Woods

Learn about where you live and how to live in it!

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State of the Woods | Forum 1 Sunday, April 2nd

Examine the factors undermining Hillside Woods' ecology that are causing erosion, deforestation, acidic soils and species loss

Woods Walk 12-1 pm

Guided Walk, Children Welcomed

leaves from Hillside Elementary School, 120 Lefurgy Avenue

State of the Woods 3-5 pm

Panel Discussion and Q&A

James Harmon Community Center, 44 Main Street

Panelists

Lawrence Forcella

Entomologist, God of Insects

Hillary Seiner

Manager, Science & Stewardships Program,
Teatown Lake Reservation

Melissa Shandroff

Science Dept. Chair, Hastings High School

Wayt Thomas

Curator of Botany, Institute of Systematic
Botany, New York Botanical Garden

Healing the Woods | Forum 2 Wednesday, May 3rd

Explore strategies Hastings and neighboring communities can employ to repair and maintain a healthy regional ecosystem

Woods Walk 4-5 pm

Guided Walk, Children Welcomed

leaves from Hillside Elementary School, 120 Lefurgy Avenue

Healing the Woods 7-9 pm

Panel Discussion and Q&A

James Harmon Community Center, 44 Main Street

Panelists

Dan Aitchison

Sr. Curator of Wildlife, Westchester County Parks

Dr. David deCalesta

Certified Wildlife Biologist, Halcyon-Phoenix
Consulting

Brendan Murphy

Watershed Forester, Watershed Agricultural Council,
Yorktown Heights

Tom Rawinski

Botanist, U.S. Forest Service, Durham, NH.