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2. FIRST NAME \*

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4. Phone Number \*

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5. Name of Commission/Board/Committee \*

Andrews Community Forest Committee

6. How many YEARS have you served on this Committee? \*

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7. If you serve on another Commission/Board/Committee, please indicate which one(s)

Richmond Conservation Commission

8. Review the scheduled meeting day/time of the Commission, Board, or Committee along with the length of the term of the position (<https://www.richmondvt.gov/boards-meetings/all-committee-board-members>). WILL YOU BE ABLE TO SERVE FOR THE TERM OF THE POSITION? \*

Yes

No

9. Are you a RICHMOND RESIDENT? \*

Yes

No

10. If you are applying for a new Term, then please introduce yourself to the Selectboard by providing a short cover letter detailing your background, training, and experience with the board/commission/committee you are applying for and/or resume.

I am happy to be reapplying to the Andrews Community Forest Committee. In my time serving on this board I've had the opportunity to work on important and sometimes thorny issues related to how our community uses and conserves this forest. Questions of how we balance conservation, recreation, public access and wild spaces is one of our most important and it is essential that we do the hard work to get it right.

I've worked as a conservation professional for more than two decades. In Vermont, I've taught ecology classes at CCV, managed education programs at Audubon, oversaw the conservation and farm program at VYCC, and now manage conservation projects for the city of Burlington. Specifically, I have years of expertise developing and implementing management plans. I fully understand the steps needed to implement a plan (which includes public engagement, feedback, and multiple rounds of revisions) and have seen communities become stronger having gone through a thorough process. I'm also skilled in carrying out many of the land management tasks, including running a chainsaw, removing invasives, and building trails. I'm happy to do this work but am also happy to facilitate getting the community involved in the stewardship of our forest.

Thanks for considering my application!