

**Materials for Draft Call to Serve on Andrews Community Forest Committee**  
**– To fill three vacancies in May 2024**

**Current information:**

**Schedule:** Post early March, Close applications end March, RTC and RCC to review prior to our April meeting, then forward recommendations to Selectboard for their meeting in May.

There will be three 3-year term open seats on the Andrews Community Forest Committee to be filled by the Selectboard in May. Applications are welcome by [date], then Richmond Conservation Commission (RCC), the Richmond Trails Committee (RTC) and the Andrews Community Forest Committee (ACFC) will review applications and submit recommendations to the Selectboard.

From the ACFC Bylaws: “The ACF Committee is charged with management of Richmond’s town forest to meet priorities and goals outlined in the Town Forest Management Plan or as directed by the Selectboard or Town Manager.

i. Each ACF Committee member shall avail their expertise and background to the forest’s management, but are elected to represent the interests of the forest and the town”

Of the three vacant seats:

One vacancy should be filled by a member of the RCC;

One vacancy should be filled by an individual who is not a member of the RTC, with recommendation by the RTC;

One vacancy should be filled by any applicant.

**Previous texts at Front Porch Forum:**

**FPF - Duncan Wardwell - Sep 1, 2023**

The Andrews Community Forest Committee is currently seeking to fill three seats. Interested parties should submit a letter of interest to Assistant to the Town Manager Duncan Wardwell at [dwardwell@richmondvt.gov](mailto:dwardwell@richmondvt.gov). Please also fill out this form (<https://forms.gle/4EjUdK8aaQwu13p27>) [now deleted] along with a letter of interest. Letters are being accepted through the end of the day on Monday, September 11.

There is one seat available that is nominated by the Andrews Community Forest Committee, there is one seat that is nominated by the Trails Committee, and there is one seat that is nominated by the Conservation Commission. Letters of interest will be sent to all three committees for consideration. The nominations along with letters from all interested parties will then be forwarded to the Selectboard. The Selectboard will make the final appointments.

**FPF - Daniel Schmidt - Aug 29, 2023**

“Join the Andrews Community Forest Committee”

Calling all forest lovers, trail runners, wildlife watchers, access advocates, woods wanderers, and anyone else who is willing to help steward the Andrews Community Forest. The committee welcomes all to apply for the vacant positions on the ACFC. The committee is especially interested in anyone who brings new perspectives, experiences, and backgrounds to this important work.

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