

Why A Network?

Many practitioners struggle in their home communities to break new trail and do things that are different and often difficult. Their innovation can lead to a feeling of isolation.

"I felt like I was a lone voice in the wilderness, way up on the other side of nowhere."

- Mast Adams; Hovland, MN

Learning about best practices and lessons from other parts of the country and having someone sympathetic to bounce ideas off of can be a lifesaver to the isolated practitioner, saving time and money, and rekindling the fires of inspiration and hope.

NNFP helps forge meaningful and sincere bonds between rural innovators wanting to work together to revitalize our forests and rural communities.

"I feel very heartened and affirmed that many others face the same struggles AND the hopeful thinking that there are models out there that can work for each of us."

- Susan Campbell; Montague, MA

We all need the nourishment that fellowship with inspired people can bring. Join NNFP to help us provide it.

Why Join?

If you dream of contributing to a better future, of well-tended forests, sustained forest-based livelihoods, and diverse rural people working together for the benefit of all, you can help make this dream a reality by joining the National Network of Practitioners.



Become a Member or Supporter at:

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National Network of Forest Practitioners

Sustaining rural lands and livelihoods



What is a Practitioner?

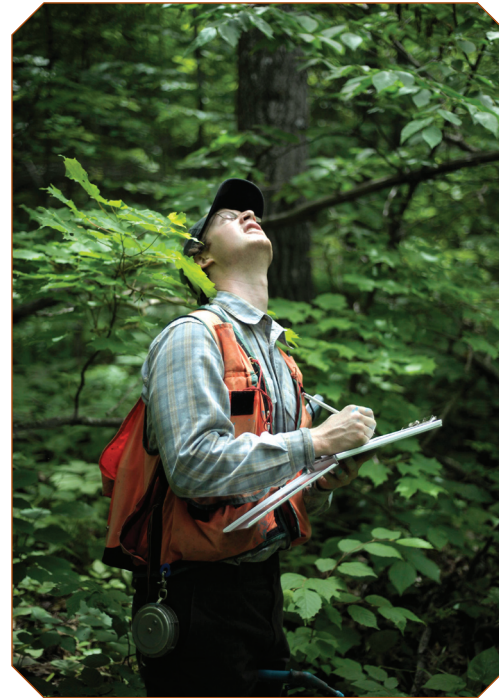
Practitioners are the “spark plugs” who share a vision of greater prosperity and a healthier environment for their rural communities. While some act as individuals, most often they are involved with groups – non-profits as well as for-profit businesses. We encompass the variety of people involved in local forest economies – in offices, workshops, mills, and in the woods.



NNFP members are the visionaries who have dreams for a better world and who DO something to get there. We are rural people who are not complaining or complacent, but who are committed and catalytic.

What Guides Our Work?

NNFP members are defined by Action and Values. We are committed to long-term prosperity and strive to be generationally generous.



We support initiatives that:

- Sustain livelihoods in rural places
- Enable broader ownership
- Increase circulation of local dollars locally
- Restore resilient & productive forest landscapes
- Connect urban allies with rural entrepreneurs

We believe in the radical notion that there is no “us” and “them”. It is a small planet, and in rural communities we know we are all in this together.

NNFP Helps Practitioners

by providing access to tools, information, training, and connections.

Network with other innovators through on-line forums, webinars and in-person meetings locally, regionally, and nationally.

Be Informed of funding opportunities, policy updates, and helpful tricks of the trade.

Grow Businesses & Organizations through direct assistance and connection with resources.

Become Empowered by improving your ability to fulfill your mission.

