

Form 990



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public

▶ Information about Form 990 and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990

OMB No 1545-0047

2015

Open to Public Inspection

A For the 2015 calendar year, or tax year beginning 05-01-2015 , and ending 04-30-2016

B Check if applicable

☐ Address change

☐ Name change

☐ Initial return

☐ Final return/terminated

☐ Amended return

☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS

Doing business as

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)Room/suite

54 PORTSMOUTH STREET

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
CONCORD, NH 03301

F Name and address of principal officer
JANE A DIFLEY
54 PORTSMOUTH STREET
CONCORD, NH 03301

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates?

☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ▶

D Employer identification number

02-022237

E Telephone number

(603) 224-9945

G Gross receipts \$ 11,799,325

I Tax-exempt status ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c) () ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: ▶ WWW.FORESTSOCIETY.ORG

K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶

L Year of formation 1901

M State of legal domicile NH

Part I Summary			
Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS WAS FOUNDED IN 1901 TO PROTECT THE STATE'S MOST IMPORTANT LANDSCAPES AND PROMOTE THE WISE USE OF ITS NATURAL RESOURCES	
	2	Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets	
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3 18
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4 17
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2015 (Part V, line 2a)	5 95
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6 351
Revenue	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a 228,488
	b	Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b 49,622
	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year 6,063,337 Current Year 6,869,499
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	532,585 431,143
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7 d)	628,636 385,335
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	412,268 484,694
Expenses	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	7,636,826 8,170,671
	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	72,513 227,710
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0 0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	2,539,686 2,777,166
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0 0
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ▶553,457	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	2,156,414 3,663,786
	18	Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	4,768,613 6,668,662
	19	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	2,868,213 1,502,009
	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year 78,449,705 End of Year 79,025,029
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	1,094,337 1,178,871
	22	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	77,355,368 77,846,158

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer

2016-08-30

Date

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name
ORESTE J MOSCA CPA

Firm's name ▶ NATHAN WECHSLER & COMPANY PA

Firm's address ▶ 70 COMMERCIAL STREET 4TH FLOOR
CONCORD, NH 03301

Preparer's signature
ORESTE J MOSCA CPA

Date

Check ☐ if self-employed

PTIN
P00366101

Firm's EIN ▶ 02-0327524

Phone no (603) 224-5357

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

☒ Yes ☐ No

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the separate instructions.

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Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III

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1

Briefly describe the organization's mission

THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS WAS FOUNDED IN 1901 TO PROTECT THE STATE'S MOST IMPORTANT LANDSCAPES AND PROMOTE THE WISE USE OF ITS NATURAL RESOURCES

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Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3

Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a

(Code) (Expenses \$ 1,191,591 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 308,071)

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS STEWARDS 180 RESERVATIONS TOTALING OVER 54,000 ACRES IN FY2016 WE COMPLETED SEVEN TIMBER SALES HARVESTING 18,600 TONS OF LOW-GRADE WOOD AND 1 9 MILLION BOARD FEET OF SAWLOGS WE UTILIZED THE TIME AND TALENT OF 236 VOLUNTEERS IN TRAIL AND INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AT THE ROCKS ESTATE WE HARVESTED OVER 4,000 CHRISTMAS TREES AND PLANTED 5,000 NEW TREES WE HOSTED OVER 70 GROUPS FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMING INCLUDING BUS TOURS AND PRIVATE TOURS WE SAW OVER 700 VISITORS TO THE MAPLE WEEKENDS PLUS 1 BUS GROUP THE FOREVERGREEN PROGRAM WITH THE LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WAS WELL ATTENDED BY ALL 7 CLASSES THE LITTLETON GARDEN CLUB AND THE AMMONOOSUC CHAPTER OF THE AUDUBON SOCIETY MET AT THE ROCKS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR BRETZFELDER PARK SAW A LOT OF ACTIVITY ON THE TRAILS PLUS 8 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS THAT HAD AN AVERAGE ATTENDANCE OF 25 PEOPLE PER PROGRAM

4b

(Code) (Expenses \$ 2,681,067 including grants of \$ 227,710) (Revenue \$ 113,368)

LAND PROTECTION THE FOREST SOCIETY CONSERVED 2,422 ACRES THROUGH 24 LAND PROTECTION PROJECTS ACROSS THE STATE AMONG THE PROJECTS WERE 11 FEE ACQUISITIONS TOTALING 1,304 ACRES ADDED TO OUR RESERVATIONS, 11 CONSERVATION EASEMENTS TOTALING 1,053 ACRES ON LAND OWNED BY OTHERS AND 2 PROJECTS TOTALING 65 ACRES SOLD TO CONSERVATION BUYERS IN ADDITION OUR STAFF MONITORED NEARLY 700 EASEMENTS ON MORE THAN 127,000 ACRES

4c

(Code) (Expenses \$ 814,369 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 9,416)

EDUCATION, OUTREACH AND MEMBERSHIP KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE EXPANDING OUR "OUTDOOR CLASSROOM" PROGRAM AT MT MAJOR IN ALTON, NH, DELIVERING THE NEWLY DEVELOPED EDUCATIONAL CONTENT TO ADDITIONAL SCHOOLS THAT ARE CONDUCTING FIELD TRIPS TO THE SUMMIT WE ALSO LAUNCHED A PARALLEL PROGRAM AT BLACK MOUNTAIN WITH KEARSARGE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT FOCUSED ON TRAIL STEWARDSHIP OUR NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED LAND STEWARD PROGRAM TRAINED NEW VOLUNTEERS-WE HAVE 175 LAND STEWARDS ACTIVELY HELPING TO CARE FOR OUR FOREST RESERVATIONS WE INVESTED IN A NEW POSITION, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER, TO EXPAND OUR OVERALL VOLUNTEER CAPACITY--WE CURRENTLY HAVE 351 VOLUNTEERS WHO CONTRIBUTED MORE THAN 7,000 HOURS OUR OUTREACH EFFORTS, FOCUSED ON LAND CONSERVATION AND WISE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES INCLUDING CAREFUL TIMBER HARVESTING, REACHED THOUSANDS OF READERS, VIEWERS AND PARTICIPANTS VIA FIELD-BASED EDUCATION PROGRAMS, TOURS, NEWS RELEASES, A REGULAR FEATURE COLUMN IN THE STATEWIDE NH SUNDAY NEWS, RADIO AND TELEVISION SEGMENTS AND SPECIAL FEATURES, BLOGS, SOCIAL MEDIA, E-NEWSLETTERS AND QUARTERLY PUBLICATION OF FOREST NOTES, NEW HAMPSHIRE'S CONSERVATION MAGAZINE OUR ANNUAL LECTURE SERIES DREW RECORD CROWDS IN MARCH WE PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS RELATED EVENTS, INCLUDING NH FARM & FOREST EXPO, DISCOVER WILD NH DAY AT NH FISH & GAME, AND EARTH DAY EVENTS

See Additional Data

4d

Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$ 658,523 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 288)

4e

Total program service expenses ▶

5,345,550

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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A 	1 Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)? 	2 Yes	
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I 	3	No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II 	4 Yes	
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 	5	No
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I 	6	No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II 	7 Yes	
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III 	8	No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21 for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV 	9	No
10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V 	10 Yes	
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI. 	11a Yes	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII 	11b	No
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII 	11c	No
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX 	11d	No
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11e Yes	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X 	11f Yes	
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII 	12a Yes	
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional 	12b	No
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	14b	No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	No
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17	No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	No
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	No
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	21	Yes	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i>	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25a		No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>	25b		No
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>	26	Yes	
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	Yes	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	30	Yes	
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	34		No
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	35b		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V

Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	31	
1b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	0	
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?		1c	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return.	95	
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).		2b	Yes
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		3a	Yes
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.		3b	Yes
4a At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		4a	No
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: _____ See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).			
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		5a	No
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		5b	No
c If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		5c	
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?		6a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		6b	
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).			
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?		7a	No
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		7b	
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		7c	No
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.		7d	
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		7e	No
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		7f	No
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		7g	
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		7h	
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		8	
9a Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		9a	
b Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		9b	
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter			
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.		10a	
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.		10b	
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter			
a Gross income from members or shareholders.		11a	
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).		11b	
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		12a	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.		12b	
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.			
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.		13a	
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans.		13b	
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand.		13c	
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		14a	No
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.		14b	

Part VI

Governance, Management, and Disclosure

For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	Yes
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	Yes
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a	The governing body?	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

	Yes	No	
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	Yes
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed	NH
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply. ☒ Own website ☒ Another's website ☒ Upon request ☐ Other (explain in Schedule O)	
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year	
20	State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records	DENISE VAILLANCOURT 54 PORTSMOUTH STREET CONCORD, NH 03301 (603) 224-9945

Part VII

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099- MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099- MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) JANE DIFLEY PRESIDENT/FORESTER	40 00	X		X				141,874	0	29,835
(2) MARGO CONNORS TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(3) JOHN BRIGHTON TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(4) STEPHEN FROLING TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(5) REBECCA ORESKES TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(6) LORIN RYDSTROM TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(7) BARBARA RUSSELL TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(8) BILL MCCARTEN TREASURER	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
(9) KARL HEAFIELD TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(10) BILL SMITH TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(11) ANDY LIETZ SECRETARY	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
(12) DEANNA HOWARD VICE CHAIR	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
(13) CHARLES BRIDGES TRUSTEE	2 00	X						0	0	0
(14) WILLIAM WEBB CHAIR	2 00	X		X				0	0	0

Part VII

1b	Sub-Total			
c	Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A			
d	Total (add lines 1b and 1c)	141,874	0	29,835

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed in Item 1) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 1

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		
	3		No
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		
	4	Yes	
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		
	5		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
RANSMEIER & SPELLMAN ONE CAPITOL STREET CONCORD, NH 03302	LEGAL SERVICES	293,724
BCM ENVIRONMENTAL & LAND LAW 3 MAPLE STREET CONCORD, NH 03301	LEGAL SERVICES	175,992

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ► 2

Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . .	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b	430,430			
	c	Fundraising events	1c				
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	131,753			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	6,307,316			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		1,682,404			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		6,869,499			
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a	FOREST OPERATIONS	113310	239,132	239,132		
	b	REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES	611699	192,011	192,011		
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		431,143			
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		287,315			287,315
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . .					
	5	Royalties					
	6a	(i) Real		(ii) Personal			
		Gross rents		335,966			
		b	Less rental expenses	112,571			
		c	Rental income or (loss)	223,395			
	d	Net rental income or (loss)		223,395			223,395
	7a	(i) Securities		(ii) Other			
		Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory		3,470,786			
		b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	3,372,766			
		c	Gain or (loss)	98,020			
	d	Net gain or (loss)		98,020			98,020
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18					
	a						
	b	Less direct expenses					
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . .					
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19					
	a						
	b	Less direct expenses					
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . .					
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . .					
		a					
b		Less cost of goods sold	372,597				
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . .		143,317				
			229,280	792	228,488		
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a	MISCELLANEOUS	900099	32,019	32,019			
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		32,019				
12	Total revenue. See Instructions		8,170,671	463,954	228,488	608,730	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns All other organizations must complete column (A)

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments See Part IV, line 21	227,710	227,710		
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals See Part IV, line 22				
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	185,273	41,118	123,998	20,157
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7	Other salaries and wages	2,055,970	1,416,040	311,007	328,923
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	63,328	42,382	10,626	10,320
9	Other employee benefits	304,101	201,159	52,820	50,122
10	Payroll taxes	168,494	110,825	31,288	26,381
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	459,690	459,690		
c	Accounting	20,700	20,700		
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	573,100	453,820	100,000	19,280
12	Advertising and promotion	158,709	126,807		31,902
13	Office expenses	135,568	87,226	20,575	27,767
14	Information technology				
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy				
17	Travel	85,729	64,919	16,377	4,433
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	11,385	6,151	4,904	330
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	265,266	237,177	24,477	3,612
23	Insurance				
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O)				
a	UBIT TAX	6,789	6,789		
b	CONSERVATION EASEMENTS	808,000	808,000		
c	DONATED CONSERVATION EA	733,800	733,800		
d	BUILDING AND GROUNDS	278,306	248,261	10,854	19,191
e	All other expenses	126,744	52,976	62,729	11,039
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	6,668,662	5,345,550	769,655	553,457
26	Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X

Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

					(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing			1,279	1	2,047
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			3,273,224	2	2,889,681
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			674,076	3	1,010,326
	4	Accounts receivable, net			4,962	4	5,712
	5	Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L					
						5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L					
						6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net				7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use			470,983	8	468,780
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			38,756	9	40,342
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	66,051,695			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	3,968,510	60,163,419	10c	62,083,185
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities			13,702,217	11	12,422,309
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11				12	
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11				13	
	14	Intangible assets				14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11			120,789	15	102,647
	16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)			78,449,705	16	79,025,029
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			82,771	17	202,068
	18	Grants payable				18	
	19	Deferred revenue				19	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities				20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D				21	
	22	Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L			480,000	22	420,000
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties				23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties			168,750	24	157,500
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17–24). Complete Part X of Schedule D			362,816	25	399,303
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25			1,094,337	26	1,178,871
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.					
	27	Unrestricted net assets			9,041,707	27	7,082,319
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			6,127,499	28	5,083,099
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			62,186,162	29	65,680,740
		Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ and complete lines 30 through 34.					
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds				30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund				31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds				32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances			77,355,368	33	77,846,158
	34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances			78,449,705	34	79,025,029

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	8,170,671
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	6,668,662
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	1,502,009
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	77,355,368
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	-962,908
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	-11,982
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	-36,329
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	77,846,158

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☐ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	2a	No
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both ☒ Separate basis ☐ Consolidated basis ☐ Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	Yes
2c If "Yes," to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	2c	Yes
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?	3a	No
3b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b	

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 02-0222237
Name: SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS

Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

(Code	) (Expenses \$	658,523	including grants of \$	) (Revenue \$	288)
POLICY THE FOREST SOCIETY LOBBIES STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS IN CONCORD, NH AND OUR FEDERAL DELEGATION IN WASHINGTON THERE ARE TWO STAFF MEMBERS WHO ALLOCATE TIME TO LOBBYING THESE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE TESTIFYING AT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE HEARINGS, MEETING DIRECTLY WITH STATE LEGISLATORS ON BEHALF OF THE FOREST SOCIETY'S POSITION ON SPECIFIC PIECES OF LEGISLATION AND PROVIDING LEGISLATORS WITH INFORMATION ON ISSUES UNDER CONSIDERATION IN THE NH LEGISLATURE THE STATE LEGISLATURE MEETS FROM JANUARY TO JUNE EACH YEAR THE MAJORITY OF THE ORGANIZATION'S POLICY STAFF STATE-LEVEL LOBBYING EFFORTS OCCUR WITHIN THESE SIX MONTH SESSIONS THE FOREST SOCIETY LOBBIES SPECIFICALLY ON BILLS RELATING TO SPNHF'S MISSION INCLUDING THOSE ADDRESSING FORESTRY, WATER QUALITY, AIR QUALITY, LAND CONSERVATION, ENERGY FACILITY SITING, RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE LAST FISCAL YEAR WE SUCCESSFULLY LOBBIED FOR ADDITIONAL STATE FUNDS TO BE USED TO BENEFIT CONSERVATION PROJECTS THROUGHOUT NEW HAMPSHIRE AND SUPPORTED LEGISLATION THAT WILL IMPROVE THE STATE'S PROCESS FOR THE SITING OF LARGE-SCALE ENERGY PROJECTS IN ADDITION, WE LOBBY STATE PUBLIC AGENCY OFFICIALS ON ISSUES RELATED TO SPNHF'S MISSION FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE MET WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF STATE AGENCIES RELATIVE TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS REGULATING THE USE OF OFF-HIGHWAY RECREATIONAL VEHICLES IN STATE-OWNED FORESTS FINALLY, WE WORK DIRECTLY WITH OUR FEDERAL CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION ON FEDERAL LEGISLATION WHICH IMPACTS SPNHF'S MISSION FOR EXAMPLE, POLICY STAFF HAVE SUPPORTED THE NH CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION'S EFFORTS TO SECURE A LONG-TERM AUTHORIZATION FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND AND THE STATUTORY FUNDING LEVELS FOR THIS PROGRAM					

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Part I

Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

- 1

☐

A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2

☐

A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).**(Attach Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ))
- 3

☐

A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4

☐

A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5

☐

An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II)
- 6

☐

A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7

☒

An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II)
- 8

☐

A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9

☐

An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See**section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III)
- 10

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11

☐

An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g
- a

☐

Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b

☐

Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c

☐

Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d

☐

Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions) **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e

☐

Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f

Enter the number of supported organizations _____
- g

Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii)EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
Total						

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any unusual grants)	7,578,924	5,736,375	7,287,131	6,063,337	6,869,499	33,535,266
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	7,578,924	5,736,375	7,287,131	6,063,337	6,869,499	33,535,266
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						33,535,266

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
7 Amounts from line 4	7,578,924	5,736,375	7,287,131	6,063,337	6,869,499	33,535,266
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	575,905	465,377	498,678	493,354	623,281	2,656,595
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on		10,568	17,760	13,413	50,622	92,363
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						36,284,224
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	1,249,798
13 First five years.If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶						13

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	92 420 %
15 Public support percentage for 2014 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	92 530 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2015.If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶		
b 33 1/3% support test—2014.If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2015.If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2014.If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶		
18 Private foundation.If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶		

Part IIISupport Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a)2011	(b)2012	(c)2013	(d)2014	(e)2015	(f)Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
14 First five years.If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2015 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2015 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2014 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2015.If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶

b 33 1/3% support tests—2014.If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶

20 Private foundation.If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ▶

Part IV Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 11 of Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.	1	
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).	2	
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below.	3a	
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.	3b	
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.	3c	
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below.	4a	
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.	4b	
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.	4c	
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).	5a	
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?	5b	
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?	5c	
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (a) its supported organizations, (b) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (c) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	6	
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in IRC 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35-percent controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).	7	
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part II of Schedule L (Form 990).	8	
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	9a	
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9(a)) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	9b	
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9(a)) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .	9c	
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of IRC 4943 because of IRC 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer b below.	10a	
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings).	10b	
11 Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
a A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?	11a	
b A family member of a person described in (a) above?	11b	
c A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in Part VI.	11c	

Part IV

Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization’s directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization’s activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
2 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised or controlled the supporting organization.</i>		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Were a majority of the organization’s directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization’s supported organization(s)? <i>If "No," describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).</i>		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization’s tax year, (1) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (2) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (3) copies of the organization’s governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
2 Were any of the organization’s officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
3 By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization’s supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization’s investment policies and in directing the use of the organization’s income or assets at all times during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization’s supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions) a ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below. b ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below. c ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a government entity (see instructions).		
2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did substantially all of the organization’s activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? <i>If "Yes," then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.</i>		
b Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization’s involvement, one or more of the organization’s supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization’s position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization’s involvement.</i>		
3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.		
a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? <i>Provide details in Part VI.</i>		
b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		

Part V

Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

1

Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov 20, 1970 **See instructions.** All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E

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Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Net short-term capital gain	1	
2	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2	
3	Other gross income (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1 through 3	4	
5	Depreciation and depletion	5	
6	Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6	
7	Other expenses (see instructions)	7	
8	Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	

Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1	Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)	1	
a	Average monthly value of securities	1a	
b	Average monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c	
d	Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI) _____		
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt use assets	2	
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by .035	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		Current Year	
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1	
2	Enter 85% of line 1	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6	
7	Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions) ☐		

Part V

Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions	Current Year
1 Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2 Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3 Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4 Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5 Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6 Other distributions (describe in Part VI) See instructions	
7 Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6	
8 Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI) See instructions	
9 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6	
10 Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2015	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2015
1 Distributable amount for 2015 from Section C, line 6			
2 Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2015 (reasonable cause required--see instructions)			
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2015			
d From 2013.			
e From 2014.			
f Total of lines 3a through e			
g Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
h Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
i Carryover from 2010 not applied (see instructions)			
j Remainder Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f			
4 Distributions for 2015 from Section D, line 7 \$			
a Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
b Applied to 2015 distributable amount			
c Remainder Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4			
5 Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2015, if any Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
6 Remaining underdistributions for 2015 Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)			
7 Excess distributions carryover to 2016. Add lines 3j and 4c			
8 Breakdown of line 7			
c Excess from 2013.			
d From 2014.			
e From 2015.			

Part VI **Supplemental Information.**

Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

Facts And Circumstances Test

Return Reference

Explanation

SCHEDULE C
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527
▶Complete if the organization is described below. ▶Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
▶Information about Schedule C (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations Complete Parts I-A and B Do not complete Part I-C
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations Complete Parts I-A and C below Do not complete Part I-B
- Section 527 organizations Complete Part I-A only

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-A Do not complete Part II-B
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)) Complete Part II-B Do not complete Part II-A

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, Line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions) or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations Complete Part III

Name of the organization SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS	Employer identification number 02-0222237
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Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.

- 1

Provide a description of the organization’s direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV
- 2

Political expenditures ▶ \$
- 3

Volunteer hours

Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).

- 1

Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ▶ \$
- 2

Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ▶ \$
- 3

If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 4a

Was a correction made? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b

If "Yes," describe in Part IV

Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).

- 1

Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 2

Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ▶ \$
- 3

Total exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ▶ \$
- 4

Did the filing organization fileForm 1120-POL for this year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 5

Enter the names, addresses and employer identification number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization’s funds Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC) If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds If none, enter -0-	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization If none, enter -0-
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				

Part II-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

A

Check ☐ if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures)

B

Check ☐ if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)		(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
1a	Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)	26,949													
b	Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)	19,662													
c	Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)	46,611													
d	Other exempt purpose expenditures	6,922,082													
e	Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)	6,968,693													
f	Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns	498,435													
<table><tr><td>If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:</td><td>The lobbying nontaxable amount is:</td></tr><tr><td>Not over \$500,000</td><td>20% of the amount on line 1e</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td><td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td><td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000</td></tr><tr><td>Over \$17,000,000</td><td>\$1,000,000</td></tr></table>		If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:	Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e	Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000	Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000	Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000	Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:	The lobbying nontaxable amount is:														
Not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e														
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000														
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000														
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000														
Over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000														
g	Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)	124,609													
h	Subtract line 1g from line 1a If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
i	Subtract line 1f from line 1c If zero or less, enter -0-	0													
j	If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year?														
		☒ Yes	☐ No												

4-Year Averaging Period Under section 501(h)

(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a)2012	(b)2013	(c)2014	(d)2015	(e) Total
2a Lobbying nontaxable amount			403,802	498,435	902,237
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					1,353,356
c Total lobbying expenditures			70,659	46,611	117,270
d Grassroots nontaxable amount			100,951	124,609	225,560
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					338,340
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures			28,337	26,949	55,286

Part II-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).

For each "Yes" response on lines 1a through 1i below, provide in Part IV a detailed description of the lobbying activity.

		(a)	(b)	
		Yes	No	Amount
1	During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of			
a	Volunteers?			
b	Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)?			
c	Media advertisements?			
d	Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?			
e	Publications, or published or broadcast statements?			
f	Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?			
g	Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?			
h	Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means?			
i	Other activities?			
j	Total. Add lines 1c through 1i.			
2a	Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912.			
c	If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912.			
d	If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).

		Yes	No
1	Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members?	1	
2	Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less?	2	
3	Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political expenditures from the prior year?	3	

Part III-B

Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No" OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."

1	Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1	
2	Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).		
a	Current year	2a	
b	Carryover from last year	2b	
c	Total	2c	
3	Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3	
4	If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditure next year?	4	
5	Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (see instructions)	5	

Part IV

Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, Part II-A (affiliated group list), Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions), and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART II-A, LINES 1 AND 2	GRASSROOTS LOBBYING IS LARGELY SPENT ON ISSUES FOR WHICH WE ARE ALSO LOBBYING FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATORS. FOR EXAMPLE, TO SUPPORT OUR LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING FOR PUBLIC FUNDING OF LAND CONSERVATION, WE ALLOCATE OUR TIME TO WORK WITH SISTER CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS TO REACH OUT DIRECTLY TO VOTERS ASKING THEM TO CONTACT THEIR LEGISLATORS TO SUPPORT SUCH FUNDING INITIATIVES. ON HIGH PROFILE ISSUES LIKE THE NORTHERN PASS TRANSMISSION LINE WE ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN OUTREACH EFFORTS TO BUILD PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATORY DECISIONS THAT SUPPORT OUR POSITION ON NORTHERN PASS. LEGISLATIVE LOBBYING INCLUDES DIRECT CONTACT WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATORS CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS DEALING WITH PUBLIC POLICIES RELATIVE TO LAND CONSERVATION, FORESTRY, ENERGY, LAND USE, CURRENT USE OF THE TIME SPENT ON LOBBYING ABOUT 20% IS SPENT ON FEDERAL LEGISLATION AND 80% ON STATE LEGISLATION.

SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990,
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
► Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization
SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS

Employer identification number
02-0222237

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No	

Part II Conservation Easements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1

Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

☒ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or education)

☒ Protection of natural habitat

☒ Preservation of open space

☒ Preservation of an historically important land area

☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure

2

Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year	
a	Total number of conservation easements	695
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	129,398 00
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	1
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	0

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ► 5

4

Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ► 2

5

Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☒ Yes ☐ No

6

Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
► 7888 00

7

Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year
► \$ 416,812

8

Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

9

In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i)

Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

► \$

(ii)

Assets included in Form 990, Part X

► \$

2

If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items

a

Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1

► \$

b

Assets included in Form 990, Part X

► \$

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets

(continued)

3

Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☒ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table

	Amount
c Beginning balance	1c
d Additions during the year	1d
e Distributions during the year	1e
f Ending balance	1f

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?

☐ Yes

☒ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

☐

Part V Endowment Funds.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current year	(b)Prior year	b (c)Two years back	(d)Three years back	(e)Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	13,702,217	12,269,873	12,041,484	11,271,792	11,038,858
b Contributions	717,153	1,934,701	594,406	666,663	851,865
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	-522,972	711,702	1,112,959	1,012,361	247,799
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	1,412,300	1,151,312	1,436,423	859,468	818,350
f Administrative expenses	61,789	62,747	42,553	49,864	48,380
g End of year balance	12,422,309	13,702,217	12,269,873	12,041,484	11,271,792

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment

12 820 %

b

Permanent endowment

70 260 %

c

Temporarily restricted endowment

16 920 %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i)

unrelated organizations

(ii)

related organizations

3a(i)

Yes

No

3a(ii)

Yes

No

b

If "Yes" on 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

3b

4

Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a)Cost or other basis (investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	Accumulated (c)depreciation	(d)Book value
1a Land		59,051,533		59,051,533
b Buildings		5,313,176	2,828,680	2,484,496
c Leasehold improvements		673,850	345,768	328,082
d Equipment		656,979	498,192	158,787
e Other		356,157	295,870	60,287
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				62,083,185

Part XIReconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return				
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.				
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	7,471,465
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a	-962,908	
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	7,814	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	255,888	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	-699,206
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	8,170,671
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total revenue Add lines 3 and 4c.(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)		5	8,170,671

Part XIIReconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.				
Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.				
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	6,968,693
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	7,814	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	2d	292,217	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	300,031
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	6,668,662
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)		5	6,668,662

Part XIIISupplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, line 2, Part XI, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Return Reference	Explanation
PART II, LINE 3	1 MIRIAM F WIGGIN FAMILY TRUST OF 2001 CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT TO CORRECT SCRIVENER'S ERRORS THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY PROTECTED BY THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT WAS ERRONEOUS, AND THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT WAS AMENDED WITH A CORRECTIVE DEED TO CORRECT SUCH SCRIVENER'S ERRORS NO OTHER EASEMENT TERMS WERE MODIFIED THIS AMENDMENT WAS REACHED THROUGH THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT GUIDELINES AND PROCESS PROMULGATED BY THE CHARITABLE TRUSTS UNIT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE THE AMENDMENT WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE FOREST SOCIETY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH OVERSIGHT BY OUR OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL THE EXECUTORY INTEREST HOLDER SIGNED THE CORRECTIVE DEED 2 GALLERANI/GALLERANI NEW BOSTON REALTY TRUST CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT TO CORRECT SCRIVENER'S ERRORS THE ORIGINAL WARRANTY DEED GRANTING THE CONSERVATION RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED USES OF THE TERMS "GRANTOR AND "GRANTEE" THAT HAD BEEN ERRONEOUSLY INTERCHANGED A CORRECTIVE WARRANTY DEED WAS EXECUTED TO AMEND THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO CORRECT SUCH SCRIVENER'S ERRORS NO OTHER EASEMENT TERMS WERE MODIFIED THIS AMENDMENT WAS REACHED THROUGH THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT GUIDELINES AND PROCESS PROMULGATED BY THE CHARITABLE TRUSTS UNIT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE THE AMENDMENT WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE FOREST SOCIETY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH OVERSIGHT BY OUR OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL 3 THE NATURE CONSERVANCY #2/MEADOWSEND TIMBERLANDS, LTD CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT TO CORRECT SCRIVENER'S ERRORS THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY IN THE ORIGINAL CONSERVATION EASEMENT DEED WAS ERRONEOUS, AND THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT WAS AMENDED THROUGH A CORRECTIVE DEED TO CORRECT SUCH SCRIVENER'S ERRORS NO OTHER EASEMENT TERMS WERE MODIFIED THIS AMENDMENT WAS REACHED THROUGH THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT GUIDELINES AND PROCESS PROMULGATED BY THE CHARITABLE TRUSTS UNIT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE THE AMENDMENT WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE FOREST SOCIETY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH OVERSIGHT BY OUR OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL 4 MONTGOMERY ADDITION & AMENDMENT THE LANDOWNER ADDED 12 ACRES OF LAND TO AN EXISTING EASEMENT THE ONLY MODIFICATION TO EASEMENT TERMS WAS TO ELIMINATE A RESERVED RIGHT FOR A HOME SITE ON THE ORIGINAL PROPERTY, BUT INCLUDE THAT RIGHT WITHIN THE 12 ACRES ADDED THIS AMENDMENT WAS REACHED THROUGH THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT AMENDMENT GUIDELINES AND PROCESS PROMULGATED BY THE CHARITABLE TRUSTS UNIT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE THE AMENDMENT WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE FOREST SOCIETY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH OVERSIGHT BY OUR OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL 5 TOWN OF BARRINGTON ADDITION THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON ADDED 30 ACRES OF LAND TO AN EXISTING EASEMENT THE EASEMENT TERMS WERE NOT MODIFIED OR AMENDED THE ADDITION WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE NEW HAMPSHIRE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND THE FOREST SOCIETY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES WITH OVERSIGHT BY OUR OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL
PART II, LINE 9	PURCHASED CONSERVATION EASEMENTS ARE EXPENSED IN THE YEAR THEY ARE PURCHASED AND ARE INCLUDED IN THE EXPENSES FOR THE LAND PROTECTION PROGRAM THE VALUE OF DONATED CONSERVATIONS EASEMENTS, FOR WHICH A VALUE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED, IS LISTED IN SCHEDULE M OF THIS RETURN
PART V, LINE 4	FUNDS LISTED AS ENDOWMENT FUNDS ON THIS RETURN INCLUDE ALL INVESTED FUNDS IN ADDITION TO PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUNDS THERE ARE FUNDS RESTRICTED TO LAND PURCHASE, TWO TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED FUNDS AND UNRESTRICTED FUNDS THE PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED ENDOWMENT FUNDS ARE USED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WISHES OF THE ORIGINAL DONORS AND ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOREST SOCIETY'S SPENDING POLICY THE FUNDS RESTRICTED TO THE PURCHASE OF FEE INTEREST IN LAND BY THE DONOR'S WISHES ARE ALSO PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED AND INVESTED UNTIL USED TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED FUNDS ARE USED ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH THEY ARE INTENDED TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED INVESTMENTS INCLUDE \$844,194 OF INVESTED TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED FUNDS AND \$1,257,757 OF THE PORTION OF PERPETUAL ENDOWMENT FUNDS SUBJECT TO TIME RESTRICTION UNDER UPMIFA AT APRIL 30, 2016 THE UNRESTRICTED FUNDS ARE SUBJECT TO THE FOREST SOCIETY'S SPENDING POLICY TO SUPPORT OPERATIONS BUT ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FOR THE ORGANIZATION'S USE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES THE UNRESTRICTED INVESTED FUNDS ALSO INCLUDES CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES AMOUNTING TO \$551,172 AT APRIL 30, 2016
PART X, LINE 2	THE FOREST SOCIETY IS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE (THE CODE) WHEREBY ONLY UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME, AS DESCRIBED BY SECTION 512(A)(1) OF THE CODE, IS SUBJECT TO FEDERAL INCOME TAX THE FOREST SOCIETY PAYS A NOMINAL AMOUNT OF TAX RELATING TO UNRELATED BUSINESS ACTIVITIES, PRIMARILY FROM GIFT SHOP AND CHRISTMAS TREE SALES THE FOREST SOCIETY HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISIONS OF FASB ASC 740, ACCOUNTING FOR UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAXES ACCORDINGLY, MANAGEMENT HAS EVALUATED THE FOREST SOCIETY'S TAX POSITIONS AND CONCLUDED THE FOREST SOCIETY HAD MAINTAINED ITS TAX-EXEMPT STATUS AND HAD TAKEN NO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS THAT REQUIRE ADJUSTMENT OR DISCLOSURE IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, THE FOREST SOCIETY IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX EXAMINATIONS BY THE U S FEDERAL OR STATE TAX AUTHORITIES FOR YEARS BEFORE 2013
PART XI, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	COST OF INVENTORY SALES 143,317 RENTAL EXPENSES 112,571
PART XII, LINE 2D - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS	COST OF GOODS SOLD 143,317 CHANGE IN PRESENT VALUE OF ANNUITIES 36,329 RENTAL EXPENSES 112,571

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Name of the organization
SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1

Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000 Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) CHESHIRE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT 11 INDUSTRIAL PARK DR WALPOLE,NH 03608	02-0300901	149	8,228				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR TRAIL WORK
CLAREMONT PARKS & (2) RECREATION 58 OPERA HOUSE SQUARE CLAREMONT,NH 03743	02-6000154	149	11,136				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR TRAIL WORK
(3) HANOVER CONSERVANCY 71 LYME RD HANOVER,NH 03755	02-6011149	501C3	15,876				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR TRAIL WORK
HARRIS CENTER FOR CONSERVATION (4) EDUCATION 83 KINGS HIGHWAY HANCOCK,NH 03449	23-7085105	501C3	32,572				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR LAND PROTECTION
MONADNOCK (5) CONSERVANCY 15 EAGLE COURT SECOND FLOOR PO BOX 33 KEENE,NH 03431	22-3030420	501C3	10,102				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR LAND PROTECTION
(6) NEWFOUND LAKE REGION ASSOCIATION 10 NORTH MAIN ST UNIT 1 BRISTOL,NH 03222	02-0398396	501C3	7,438				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR TRAIL WORK
(7) NH AUDUBON 84 SILK FARM ROAD CONCORD,NH 03301	02-6005322	501C3	10,495				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR TRAIL WORK
PISCATAQUOG LAND (8) CONSERVANCY 5A MILL ST NEW BOSTON,NH 03070	23-7085677	501C3	10,702				MERRIMACK CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR LAND PROTECTION
(9) SOUTHEAST LAND TRUST 12 CENTER ST FLOOR 2 PO BOX 675 EXETER,NH 03833	02-6032783	501C3	100,000	5,462	FMV	STAFF TIME AND RELATED COSTS IN STARTING LAND PROTECTION PROJECT	PROJECT SPECIFIC FUNDS GIVEN TO PARTNER WHO TOOK OVER LAND PROTECTION PROJECT

Part III

Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22
Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed

(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
PART I, LINE 2	THE FOREST SOCIETY RECEIVES GRANTS FOR THE QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP AND THE MERRIMACK CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP THESE GRANTS FUND OTHER PROGRAMS THAT ARE AWARDED THROUGH THE PARTNERSHIPS IN A COMPETITIVE APPLICATION PROCESS GRANTS ARE AWARDED TO COVER TRANSACTION COSTS INCURRED FOR COMPLETING LAND PROTECTION PROJECTS, OR TRAIL PROJECTS THE GRANTS REIMBURSE THE AWARDEE ORGANIZATION FOR MONIES ALREADY SPENT TO COMPLETE PROJECTS COPIES OF PAID INVOICES MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE FUNDS ARE DISBURSED TO THE GRANTEE

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 02-0222237
Name: SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS

Form 990,Schedule I, Part II, Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments.

(a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV , appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
CHESHIRE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT 11 INDUSTRIAL PARK DR WALPOLE,NH 03608	02-0300901	149	8,228				QUABBIN TO CARDIGAN PARTNERSHIP GRANT FOR TRAIL WORK
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Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

OMB No 1545-0047

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
▶ Attach to Form 990.
▶ Information about Schedule J (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW HAMPSHIRE FORESTS	Employer identification number 02-0222237
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Part I

Questions Regarding Compensation

	Yes	No
1a Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items ☐ First-class or charter travel ☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use ☐ Travel for companions ☐ Payments for business use of personal residence ☐ Tax idemnification and gross-up payments ☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees ☐ Discretionary spending account ☐ Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b	
2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2	
3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the filing organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III ☒ Compensation committee ☐ Written employment contract ☐ Independent compensation consultant ☒ Compensation survey or study ☐ Form 990 of other organizations ☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4 During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III	4a 4b 4c	No No No
Only 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.		
5 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of a The organization? b Any related organization? If "Yes," on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III	5a 5b	No No
6 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of a The organization? b Any related organization? If "Yes," on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III	6a 6b	No No
7 For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7	No
8 Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8	No
9 If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9	

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column(B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		Base (i) compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
1 JANE DIFLEY PRESIDENT/FORESTER	(i)	141,874	0	0	5,805	24,030	171,709	0
	(ii)	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0	----- 0

Part III **Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No

Part V Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions)

Return Reference	Explanation
SCHEDULE L, PART II, LOANS TO AND FROM INTERESTED PERSONS	

SCHEDULE M
(Form 990)

Noncash Contributions

►Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.

► Attach to Form 990.

►Information about Schedule M (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990

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Part I

Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art—Works of art				
2 Art—Historical treasures				
3 Art—Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities—Publicly traded				
10 Securities—Closely held stock				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other				
15 Real estate—Residential				
16 Real estate—Commercial				
17 Real estate—Other	X	12	1,682,404	APPRAISAL
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ► ()				
26 Other ► ()				
27 Other ► ()				
28 Other ► ()				

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Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement

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30a

During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period?

30a

Yes

No

b

If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II

31

Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?

31

Yes

32a

Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions?

32a

No

b

If "Yes," describe in Part II

33

If the organization did not report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II

Part II

Supplemental Information.

Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
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Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.
▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at
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990 Schedule O, Supplemental Information

Return Reference	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	THE FOREST SOCIETY IS A NON-PROFIT MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATION THAT CURRENTLY HAS 9,559 MEMBERS
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7A	THE MEMBERS ELECT THE BOARD SECRETARY AT THEIR ANNUAL MEETING THE CANDIDATE FOR BOARD SECRETARY IS RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	THE BOARD'S AUDIT COMMITTEE REVIEWS THE 990 AND 990-T IN DETAIL AT A SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETING ONCE THE COMMITTEE IS SATISFIED THAT THE FORMS ARE COMPLETE, THEY ARE FORWARDED TO THE BOARD FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT AT A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING THE BOARD VOTES TO ACCEPT THE 990 AND 990-T AFTER WHICH THE STAFF FILES THE FORMS
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	ANNUALLY OUR TRUSTEES ARE ASKED TO SIGN A FORM ABOUT ANY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS IN ADDITION TO FILLING OUT THE FORM, THE PROCESS REMINDS TRUSTEES ABOUT OUR POLICY WHEN POTENTIAL TRUSTEES ARE ASKED TO CONSIDER JOINING THE BOARD, THEY ARE GIVEN THE "ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES" DOCUMENT WHICH OUTLINES OTHER RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INDIVIDUAL TRUSTEE AND THE BOARD AS A WHOLE, INCLUDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST IT ALSO INSTRUCTS BOARD MEMBERS TO READ AND BE CONVERSANT WITH THE NH ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE GUIDEBOOK FOR NH CHARITABLE NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS AT THE START OF EVERY BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING THERE IS A REMINDER THAT CONFLICTS OF INTEREST MUST BE DISCLOSED AND BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE ASKED IF THEY HAVE ANY CONFLICTS TO REPORT
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE PRESIDENT/FORESTER (CEO) IS THE ONLY OFFICER WHO IS PAID THE COMPENSATION FOR THE CEO IS SET BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AFTER A PROCESS OF REVIEW BY BOTH A SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE CHAIR AND THE FULL BOARD PERIODICALLY, SALARIES OF OTHER NON-PROFIT CEO'S ARE REVIEWED FOR COMPARISON THE CEO PROVIDES ANNUAL GOALS AND A SELF-EVALUATION THE BOARD CHAIR SUMMARIZES THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE BOARD IN A LETTER TO THE CEO
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND 990'S FOR THE MOST CURRENT THREE YEARS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE FOREST SOCIETY'S WEBSITE OR BY REQUESTING COPIES FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT, FINANCE THE ORGANIZATION'S BYLAWS, WHICH INCLUDE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT, ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE FOREST SOCIETY'S WEBSITE
FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 9	CHANGE IN PRESENT VALUE OF ANNUITIES -36,329
FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C	NO CHANGE FROM PRIOR YEARS