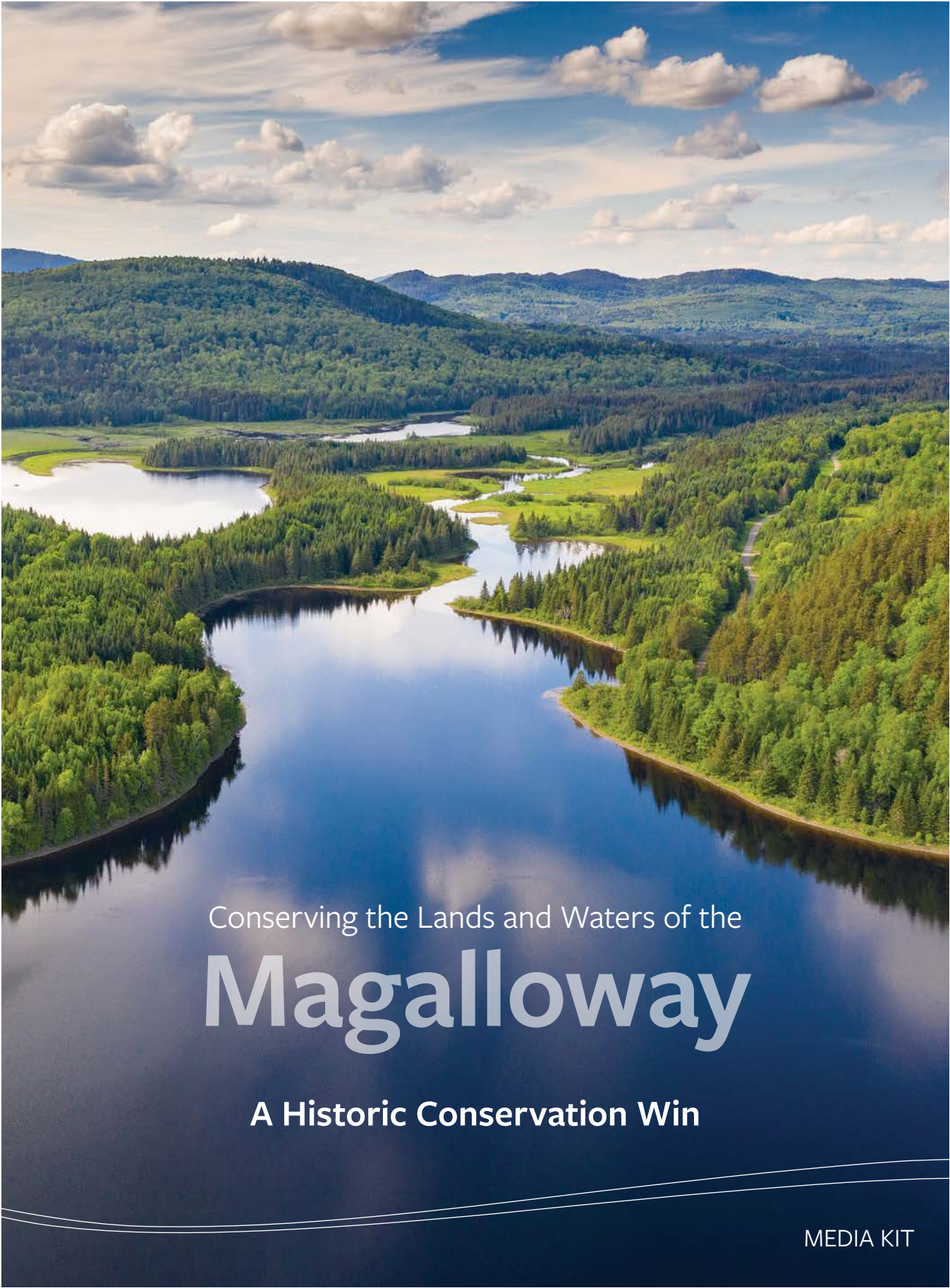




Conserving the Lands and Waters of the

Magalloway

A Historic Conservation Win

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Historic Land Conservation Achievement Conserves 78,000 Acres in Western Maine

Through an extraordinary partnership, four conservation organizations have permanently conserved more than **78,000 acres** in the Magalloway region of western Maine. This once-in-a-generation conservation achievement protects clean water, fish and wildlife habitat, public access, sustainable working forests, and one of the Northeast's most significant connected landscapes. The project includes an **11,200-acre wilderness preserve**, permanently protects forested buffers along high-priority brook trout waters, and conserves **62,500 acres of working forest**, ensuring this remarkable landscape will benefit people and nature for generations to come.

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Behind The Magalloway Conservation Collaborative

The Magalloway Collaborative brings together four conservation organizations in a unique partnership leveraging collective local and regional expertise. With a decades-long track record of successful conservation in the region, **The Nature Conservancy in Maine (TNC)** led the dialogue with the property's owner, Bayroot LLC to produce an option agreement that allows for conservation. **Forest Society of Maine (FSM)**, having conserved more than one million acres, is one of Maine's leading forest conservation organizations. FSM holds the conservation easement on the 62,500 acres of managed timberland on the property. Based in Rangeley, Maine, **Rangeley Lakes Heritage Trust (RLHT)** is a local land trust focused on conserving, restoring, and stewarding the lands and waters of the Rangeley Region. RLHT owns and manages 4,400 acres for public access and wildlife habitat restoration. **Northeast Wilderness Trust (NEWT)**, an organization exclusively focused on wilderness conservation, owns and safeguards an 11,200-acre wilderness preserve in the northern section of the parcel. To view each partner's role in the landscape, please refer to this [conservation outcomes map](#).

Total
Project Size
**78,000
acres**

Connects
Contiguous
Conserved Lands
**500,000
acres**

Globally Important
Watersheds
1 of 5

Sustainably
Managed Forest
**62,500
acres**

Wilderness
Preserve
**11,200
acres**

Habitat
Restoration
**4,400
acres**

High Priority
Brook Trout
Rivers & Streams
170 miles

Mapped
Wetlands
**2,400
acres**



Collective Support

People have come together from multiple industries and different sectors of Maine's outdoor economy to endorse this project. Here's what they have to say.

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The Magalloway region possesses prime wildlife habitat. Conserving these lands will safeguard wildlife from increasing environmental threats, connect them to other conserved lands, and allow for sustainable recreational traditions such as hunting and fishing to continue.

— **Judy Camuso**, former Commissioner, Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife

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The Magalloway Project will be extremely beneficial to the land and waters of the area and its wildlife inhabitants, as well as to guides like myself who bring hundreds of clients to Maine's beautiful world-class rivers, like the Magalloway.

— **Vic Medina**, Registered Maine Guide

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Maine DEP supports the conservation of undeveloped lands for water quality protection and carbon sequestration. These are important strategies to maintain ecological health, protect one of Maine's most important economic resources, and mitigate the effects of greenhouse gas emissions. The Magalloway Project will also help Maine meet its climate action goals while continuing to support sustainable utilization of wood products.

— **Melanie Loyzim**, Commissioner, Maine DEP

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The Town of Rangeley values the work of these organizations and recognizes the meaningful impact of efforts such as the Magalloway Project on the natural and economic environment in our part of Maine.

— **E. Joseph Roach**, Town Manager, Rangeley, Maine

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The Magalloway project ensures that future generations can enjoy paddling, hunting, and fishing in this special place. As a guide and business owner, access to wild places like the Magalloway is essential to our outdoor economy and the way of life that makes the Rangeley region so special.

— **Seth Laliberte**, Registered Maine Guide, co-owner, Rangeley Adventure Company

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At Sportsman's Alliance of Maine (SAM) we care deeply about conserving the longstanding relationship Mainers have with the land, waters, and wildlife of our state. Public access to hunt, hike, fish, and otherwise enjoy the outdoors is increasingly under threat and this project will help permanently protect a key large parcel of land. We support efforts to preserve public access like the Magalloway project.

— **David Trahan**, Executive Director, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine



Resources

FAQs

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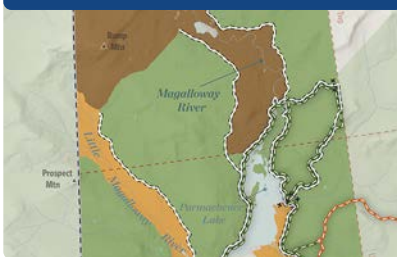
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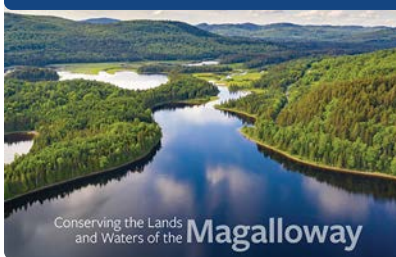
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CASE STATEMENT



COLLABORATIVE LOGOS



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