THE LAND CONSERVATION PLAN FOR **NH COASTAL WATERSHEDS** Data Availability: Watershed complete

Data Layer: THE LAND CONSERVATION PLAN FOR NEW HAMPSHIRE'S COASTAL WATERSHEDS

Primary Layer Name: CONSERVATION_FOCUS_AREAS, FOREST_ECOSYSTEMS_MODEL, FOREST_ECOSYSTEMS_ZONES, HIGH_

QUALITY WATERSHEDS

Layer Content: PRIORITY CONSERVATION AREAS

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Land Conservation Plan for New Hampshire's Coastal Watersheds prioritizes coastal watershed areas and offers regional strategies for maintaining diverse wildlife habitat, abundant wetlands, clean water, productive forests, and outstanding recreational opportunities into the future. It was created with public input from a range of stakeholders including citizens, scientists, conservation organizations, and natural resource agencies. Our hope is that the plan will serve as a valuable guide, tool, and information resource for landowners, communities, land trusts, and public agencies that are interested in land conservation.

Specifically, the plan is intended to achieve the following purposes:

- 1. Identify and describe a portfolio of areas that represent the best remaining opportunities to conserve the critical ecological, biological, and water resources of New Hampshire's coastal watersheds.
- 2. Identify and describe a set of voluntary and regulatory land conservation strategies available for protecting the important areas.