

Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District Holding Skidder Bridge Build Demonstration at Fontaine Mill Works

BERLIN, VT – The Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District is pleased to announce our Skidder Bridge Build demonstration in conjunction with the Fontaine Mill Works open house scheduled for Tuesday May 17, 2016 in East Montpelier VT.

Visitors will visit a working mill, see the new equipment demoed throughout the day and witness as volunteers and partner organizations including Forests Parks and Recreation construct a skidder bridge for the WNRCD. The District currently has three skidder bridges that are rented out to local loggers to insure water quality protection under a grant from the Vermont Association of Conservation Districts and VTDEC. At 2pm join public officials and staff for a ceremonial board cutting. There will be live demonstrations, exhibits, food and more.

Forests are an important component of Vermont's landscape providing myriad benefits to both people and wildlife. They serve as a home and refuge for countless animal species. They provide timber and maple sap to help bolster our economy. They filter and clean water. They offer countless recreational opportunities to adults and children alike. Through targeted projects and programs, WNRCD and partner organizations including Fontaine Mill Works, VTDEC, and VT Forests Parks and Recreation are working to ensure that our forests stay healthy and continue to provide their economic and environmental benefits.

For more information on Forestland Enhancement and WNRCD programs please visit: www.winooskinrcd.org To learn more about Fontaine Mill Works, please visit: <http://fontainemillworks.com/index.html>

The Winooski Natural Resources Conservation District is one of 14 conservation districts throughout Vermont. It encompasses all of Chittenden and Washington County as well as parts of Orange County (Orange, Williamstown and Washington). The district relies on grants and individual donations to complete its conservation work. The WNRCD focuses its resources on completing conservation projects within the areas of agricultural assistance, forestland enhancement, urban conservation and watershed stewardship.

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