New Boston Forestry Committee **Item #6**

The Board Of Selectmen Is conveying to the Forestry committee our directions on what the forestry committee should focus on in its management of the Town forests .

The board feels that the town forests should be managed as productive wood lots with specific attention to prevention and control of Disease and insects. Next is to manage the harvest of timber in a sustainable manner as well as take the proper steps to see that lots that will or have been cut over are properly reforested. The use of bio cuts as a management tool will not be considered except in dire situations.

In addition to the forestry aspect of managing these lots the Board wants the committee to work with local groups to educate New Boston's youth , as well as evaluate the current and future trail system.

Over the next 12 months the Board directs the committee to put all other projects aside and create a long term plan to reach these goals.