



### **About Mountain View Farm**

Brothers David and John Bischoff had owned these 147 acres for working farm and forest land for nearly five decades. They sold it to the Upper Valley Land Trust to protect as a permanent conservation area for all to enjoy. UVLT and the Orford Conservation Commission successfully sought grants and raised funds from Orford residents and conservationists from across the region for the acquisition of this special place.

### **About the Upper Valley Land Trust**

The Upper Valley Land Trust is a non-profit land conservancy that works in 45 towns in Vermont and New Hampshire. UVLT provides conservation tools and expertise to permanently protect the working farms, forested ridges, wildlife habitat, water resources, trails and scenic landscapes that make the Upper Valley a special place to live. Working directly with landowners and the community, UVLT has protected over 500 properties encompassing more than 53,000 acres of land.



## **Billy Brown's Barns**

### **Stabilization Project**

*Summer 2019*



## Stabilization and Restoration of Billy Brown's Barns

*Mountain View Farm, Quinttown, Orford, NH*

Mountain View Farm, in Quinttown, includes two older barn structures – one approximately 26'x46.5' and the other an associated small shed 16'x20'.

The goal of this work on the buildings is to provide long-term stabilization of the buildings so that they keep their historical connection to the property and people can connect to the life of Billy Brown, the long-term owner of the property who was a well-known part of Orford history.

Eventually, the space in the bottom of the barn that is accessible from the outside may serve as display space where visitors can learn about the property's historic and natural history. None of the buildings will be made into finished space; work will be focused to stop any rot and repair major structural deficiencies.

We expect to use a mix of volunteer and paid labor. Restoration of the shed may be accomplished through volunteer work, while the barn may need the continuity of a paid builder to fully complete all aspects of the project.

Three professionals have been identified to organize the work: David Coker, Tim Cook and Jim Burke.

UVLT will organize work parties of 6-10 volunteers, scheduling 3-4 continuous days in August or September to complete the work.



### Scope of Work

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### Budget

Improving drainage to direct water away from building foundation and sills

Excavator, stone & plastic sheeting      \$1,000

Repairing sills and structural timbers

Lumber & Supplies      \$800

Replace shingles on shed

White Cedar Grade C      \$900

Other Supplies      \$100

Labor for 1 carpenter

\$1500

Contingencies

\$700

**Total Cost**

**\$5,000**