



Lakes Region Conservation Trust 2012 Guided Excursions

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Explore the Rich Wildlife Habitat of LRCT's Bearcamp River and Pond Property in Sandwich

Join us for a guided snowshoeing excursion at LRCT's Bearcamp River and Pond property. This 182-acre property, acquired by LRCT in 2010, forms a significant part of the scenic landscape north and west of Bearcamp Pond and is a key element of the wildlife habitat corridor connecting the Ossipees with the White Mountains. The property has a mile of shoreline on the Bearcamp River and Bearcamp Pond and extensive wetlands and woodlands. It provides high quality habitat for many species of birds and mammals such as moose, bear, beaver, mink, and otter. The snowshoe hike will provide an opportunity to explore the wild and scenic aspects of this property and to observe signs of wildlife with lead guide David White, LRCT Property Adopter for this conservation area.



Details: This ~2-mile snowshoe hike will involve a moderately strenuous bushwack on relatively flat terrain, as there are no trails on this property. Participation will be limited to 12 people, so please sign up in advance. The hike will depart from the driveway at #148/150 Middle Road in Sandwich (*see directions below*) promptly at 10:00 a.m. and return by 2:00 p.m.; please arrive by 9:45 a.m. to have time to register and prepare for the hike. Bring lunch, snacks, and plenty of water. Dress appropriately for the weather, including warm layers and water-resistant, snow-shedding outerwear, and remember to bring boots and snowshoes.

Directions to #148/150 Middle Rd., Sandwich:

From Center Harbor: From the lights in Center Harbor, take NH Route 25 east for ~9.7 mi. to Bearcamp Pond Rd. on the left. Turn onto Bearcamp Pond Rd. and then follow the directions from "→" below.

From West Ossipee: From the junction of NH Routes 16 and 25 in West Ossipee, take Route 25 west for ~8.1 mi. to Bearcamp Pond Rd. on the right. Turn onto Bearcamp Pond Rd. and then follow the directions from "→" below.

→ Continue on Bearcamp Pond Rd. ~0.8 mi. to Middle Rd. on the left. Turn onto Middle Rd. and go ~1.25 mi. to a driveway on the right marked with #148 and #150. Park in this area, taking care not to block the driveway or the road.

This guided excursion is limited to 12 participants. Please let LRCT know by e-mail (lrct@lrct.org) or phone (603-253-3301) if you plan to attend.

If weather conditions cause us to postpone on February 4, this excursion will be rescheduled to Saturday, February 11. In the event of inclement weather, check LRCT's guided excursions update line at 603-253-3301 ext. 13 the morning of the trip to find out if it is cancelled or postponed.

All LRCT guided excursions are free to all.