

# Considerations for Your Woodlot



The following are general recommendations to keep your woods healthy and able to adapt to changes into the future. **While all of these actions are important, the checked recommendations are most applicable to your woods and your situation.** To learn more, consult our fact sheet, consider working with a professional to implement these practices on the ground or visit our website at <http://mymassconnwoods.org/>.

Top Forest Stressors to Keep an Eye On	Extreme Weather Vulnerabilities

- Protect water and soils on your land
- Improve ability of your trees to resist bugs and disease
- Prevent and control non-native plants and weeds that threaten native plants and animals
- Manage damage to young trees from excessive deer browsing
- Prepare for big weather events by promoting strong, healthy trees in your woodlot
- Respond quickly after big disturbance events to help your woods bounce back
- Promote a diversity of tree species
- Promote a diversity of tree sizes
- Protect rare or sensitive plant & animal communities
- Consider how your current trees will react to future conditions and which tree species you might want to promote
- Monitor your woods and the effect of different management tactics