

Volunteers needed, buffer planting, Manchester, May 20

Please join volunteers from the Cooperative Invasive Species Management Association for the Batten Kill, Batten Kill Watershed Alliance, and Southwestern Vermont Trout Unlimited to plant a 100' buffer along the Batten Kill in Manchester on Monday, May 20, beginning at 1 p.m. We will plant about 160 containerized native trees and shrubs.

Matt and Courtney Weir, landowners, worked with the Batten Kill Watershed Alliance in 2018 to set aside a 100' buffer along about 1000' of river opposite a Green Mountain National Forest and VT Fish & Wildlife fishing access site. The upstream section of the Weir property was planted in 2018. We will replace stems lost over the winter there and continue planting downstream. Concurrently, the Green Mountain National Forest is engaged in a restoration plan for their 23-acre site across the river.

Dress for the weather and work. Please bring your own shovel or spade. We will cancel in the case of heavy rain.

The site is located just south of the intersection of Richville and River Roads in Manchester, at 904 River Road, 05255.