

## **Northeast Region Update:** *Robert Burns, West Virginia University, Chair*

- University of New Hampshire: Created a pathway for the A.A.S. Forest Technology degree to UNH BS Forestry.
- SUNY ESF changed its name from Forest and Natural Resources Management to Sustainable Resources Management
- West Virginia University: Dr. Jingxin Wang is PI of a new \$10 million NIFA grant “Mid-Atlantic Sustainable Biomass for Value-Added Products Consortium (MASBio)” with Penn State and SUNY ESF as research partners.



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- University of Maine: Faculty provided leadership to the State of Maine's Climate Council.
- Penn State University: Search for new department head and several faculty searches are underway
- University of Vermont: Created a pathway for Vermont Technical College's forestry graduates to transfer to UVM to its BS Forestry

**Maine Forest's Importance to State's Annual Carbon Budget**

Carbon Pool	% of State's Annual Fossil Fuel Emission
Forest carbon stocks + annual growth	60%
Forest products	15%
Total forestry sector	75%
Net Land Sink	78%

