

# Promote the Health: Dynamic Forest Restoration

**CONCERN:** Other areas disturbed by past timber harvests now have a dense matrix of diseased beech brush, crowding out the forest floor.

- The beech brush will not mature to produce nesting places for birds or nuts for mammals.

**IMPACT:** Natural forest regeneration has not occurred, with valuable seed trees in decline.

- Reducing the forest's value as a wildlife habitat.

**ACTION:** We are working on a multi-year Dynamic Forest Restoration (DFR) project to improve overall forest diversity and health.

- 60 acres completed in 2023 on Shaffer's Knob.
- 70 acres scheduled in 2024 on Chestnut Mt.
- Funding provided by grants from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

