

# Berkshire Clean, Cold, Connected DER Restoration Partnership



A Regional Model for Watershed-  
Scale Collaboration

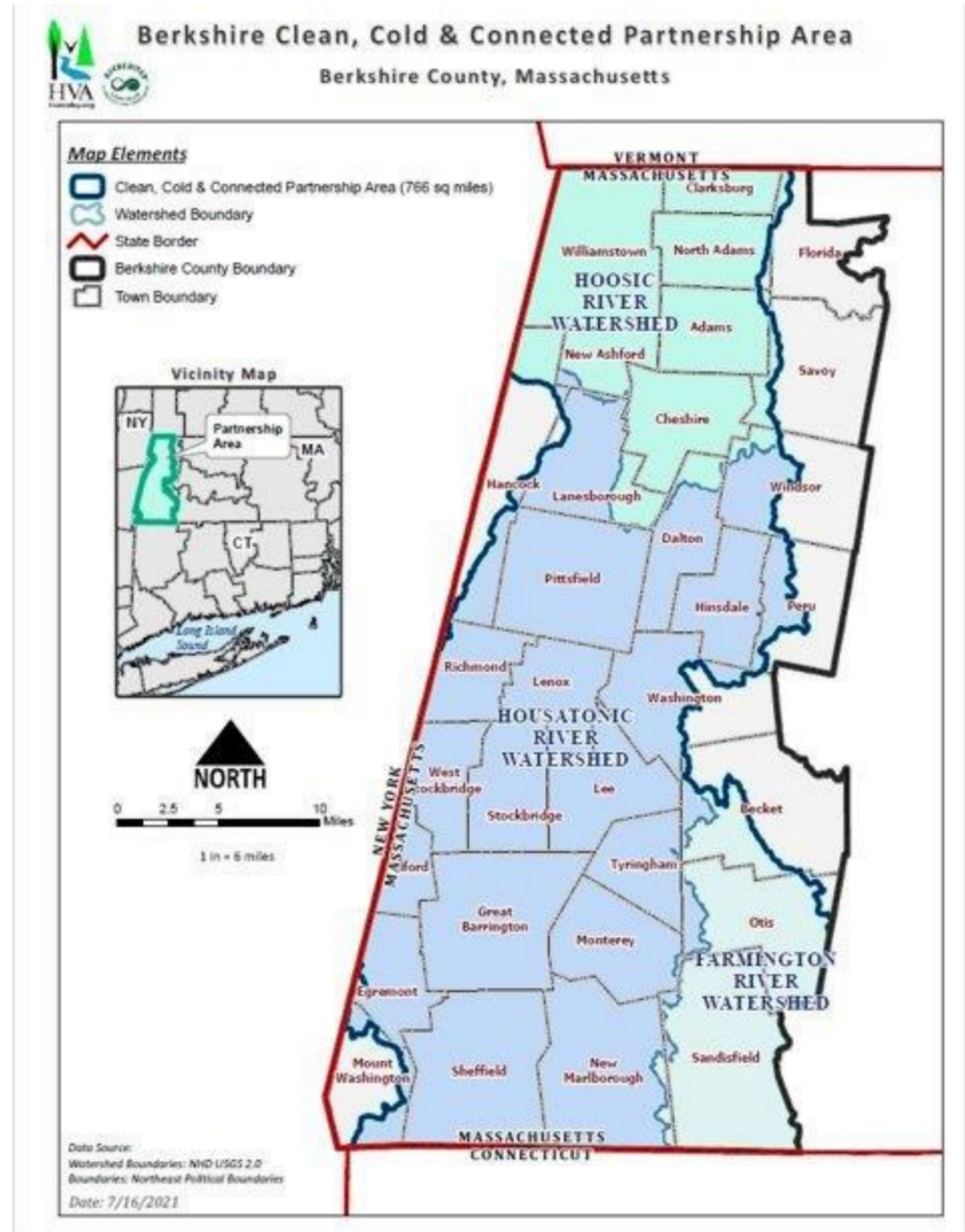
Spanning three watersheds and 766  
square miles

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HOUSATONIC VALLEY  
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# Original Identified Regional Priorities

- Reconnection of clean and cold water by removing barriers such as poorly designed culverts or dams
- Progress Road Stream Crossing Management Plans (RSCMP) in Berkshire County with priority towns with Cold Water Fisheries Resources (CFRs).
- Develop a regional fundraising plan including schedule of grants to advance partnership projects.
- Build regional capacity of the partnership, organizations, and towns within the partnership region.

[Konkapot Story Map](#)





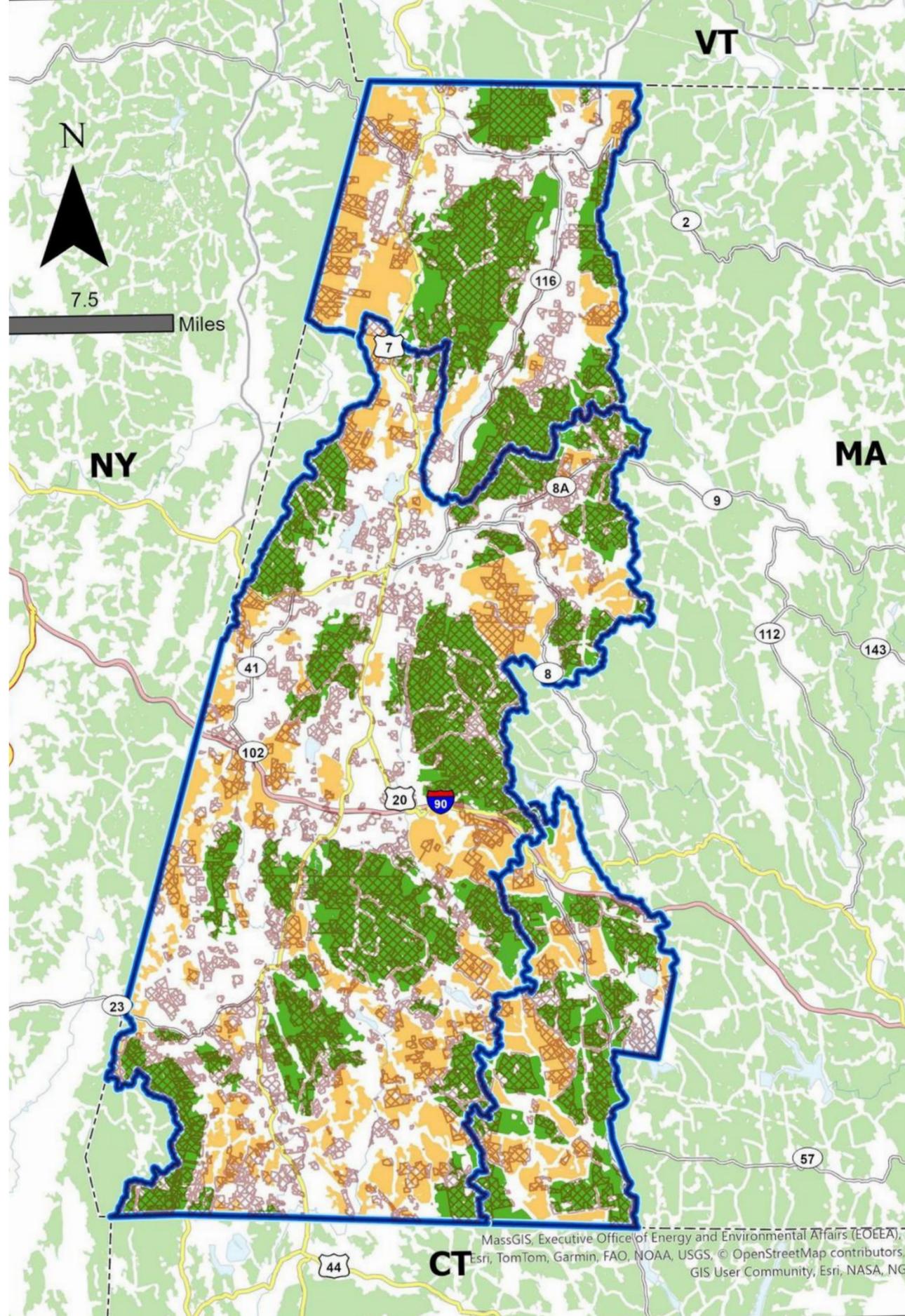
# How can we better link watershed and land conservation?

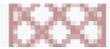
## Land Framework

- Protected Lands
- Wildlife Linkages
- Core Forests

## StreamFunction

- Aquatic Connectivity
- Stream Smart Crossings
- Cold-Water Habitat



 Protected Lands

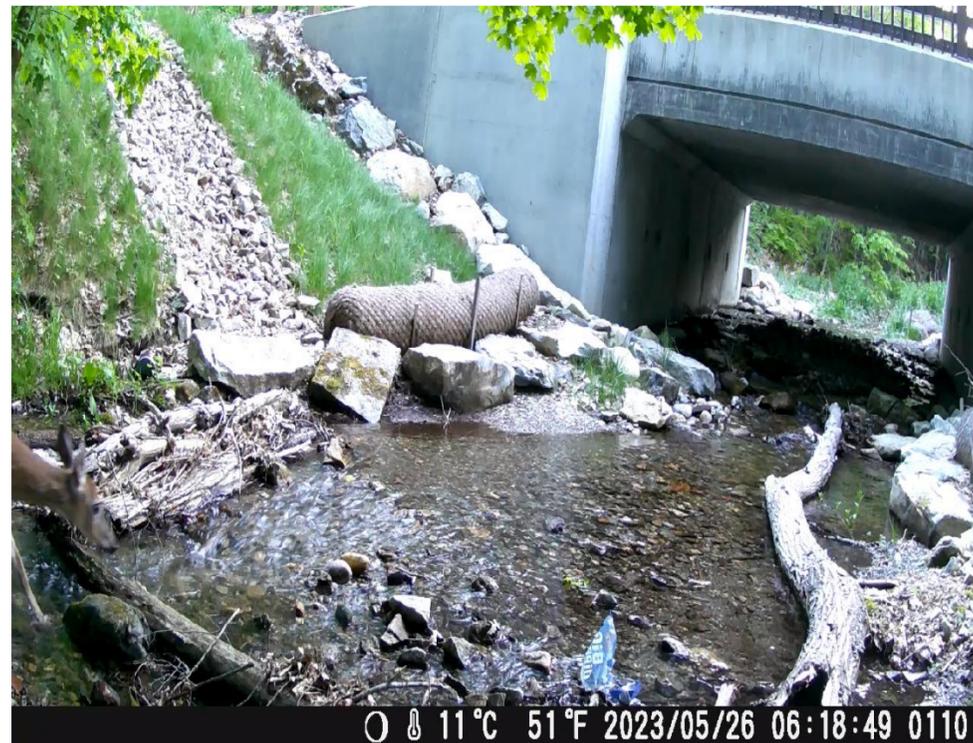
### Core Forest Level of Protection

-  > or = to 50% Protected
-  < 50% Protected

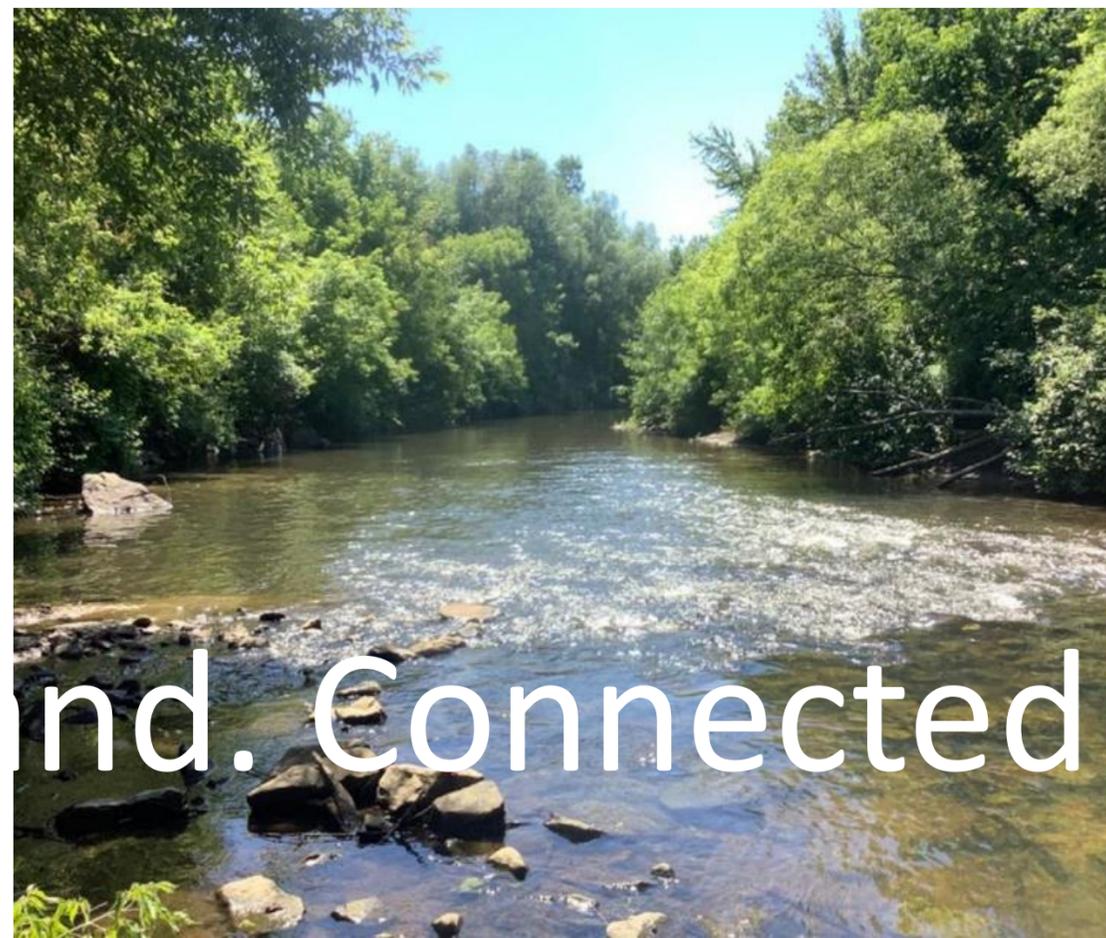
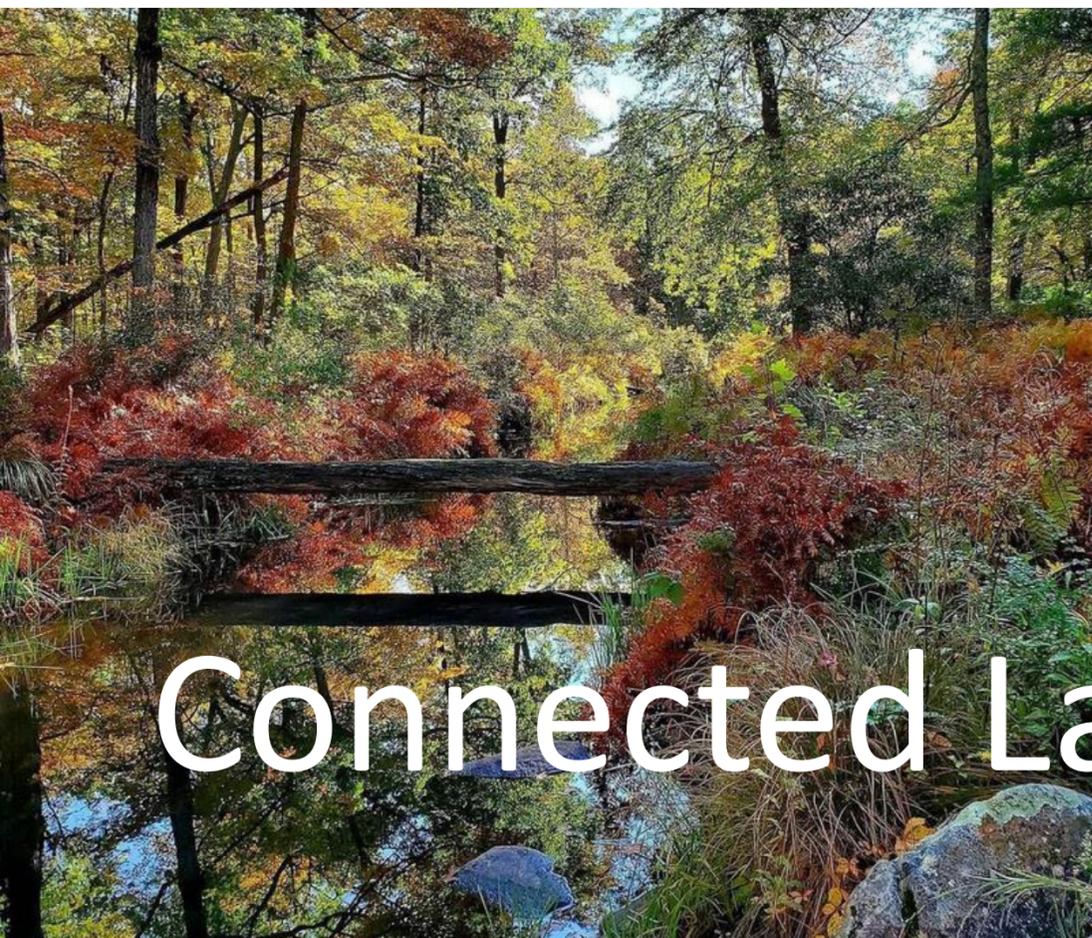




## Alignment in Practice



It starts with shared maps.  
Next comes shared priorities.  
Then identifying shared funding.  
And finally, connectivity at scale



Connected Land. Connected Water.

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[Churchill Brook Culvert Replacement Story Map](#)

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