

Bee City USA - Durham

Report on 2020

Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

Due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, the 3rd Annual Durham Dandelion Lawn Contest was the only significant event. A description of the Contest Announcement, a Summary of the Results, and a copy of the full Report on Dandelion Contest is available on the Town of Durham website: : https://www.ci.durham.nh.us/boc_agricultural



In Durham, NH we consider dandelions to be "Bee-utiful".



In Durham, NH town residents practice "delay mowing while dandelions are growing."



Education & Outreach

Gave presentations on the Durham Bee-Friendly Program (including BeeCity USA designation) to the NH Seacoast Beekeepers Association and the UNH Retired Faculty Association. Primary event was the 3rd Annual Durham Dandelion Lawn Contest. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic other annual activities could not be held. This included Durham Farm Day, Memorial Day Parade, and "Bee-friendly to Pollinators" Yards.

Policies & Practices

Met with Durham Public Works Director about creating/adopting an integrated pest management plan for Town of Durham owner/maintained property. At the present time, just herbicides for some invasive plant species, but no pesticides used on pollinator habitats. s

Integrated Pest Management Plan:

Recommended Native Plant List:

<https://extension.unh.edu/resource/wildflower-mixes-trial-new-hampshire>

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List:

https://extension.unh.edu/resources/files/Resource006628_Rep9500.pdf

<https://extension.unh.edu/resource/pollinator-plants-northern-new-england-gardens-fact-sheet>

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