



A Quabbin National Park:

Protecting Nature, Climate and Health for Future Generations

With Michael Kellett

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Michael Kellett has been working for 30 years to restore and permanently protect wilderness and wildlife, benefitting the health and well-being of nature, people and climate. RESTORE played a critical role in laying the groundwork for President Obama's recent designation of the Katahdin Woodlands and Waters National Monument, protecting over 87,000 acres next to Baxter State Park in northern Maine.

Thursday, October 13, 2016

6-9PM

Shutesbury Elementary School

23 W Pelham Rd, Shutesbury, MA 01072

Program

6:00PM - Refreshments, Tabling, Meet and Greet

7:10 PM - Music and Welcome

7:30PM - Michael Kellett



The Quabbin Reservoir watershed is the largest tract of public land in southern New England. Established in the 1930s to supply water to greater Boston, the Quabbin and lands around it became an "accidental wilderness" of recovering forests, watersheds, and wildlife. Instead of preserving the Quabbin watershed, the state is degrading the area with industrial logging, subsidized by Massachusetts taxpayers. Citizens are proposing the creation of a 120,000-acre Quabbin National Park, which would protect the entire watershed from logging and other development, allow the recovery of native wildlife, store vast amounts of carbon to mitigate climate

change, educate the public about natural and historic values, offer unique wilderness recreation, and attract increased tourism and business to local towns. As with the recently designated National Monument in Maine, a Quabbin National Park or Monument can happen if concerned citizens join together to build overwhelming pressure on the Legislature, the U.S. Congress, and the President

ALL WELCOME! MUSIC! INFO TABLES! REFRESHMENTS!

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