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PROVIDENCE FOREST

Set just inside the Adirondack Park, this white pine dominated forest is an accessible and affordable investment in timber, real estate and recreation.



144 Tax Map Acres Providence, Saratoga County, New York

New Price: \$132,000 \$119,000

LOCATION & VALUE

Providence Forest is a 144-acre recreational woodlot that offers great value in its combination of location, features and recently reduced price.

The property is conveniently located within a half hour of Saratoga Springs, one of the region's most attractive communities and a premier summer destination. This popular city is home to a famed horse racing track, numerous boutique spas, many art galleries, the Saratoga Performing Arts Center, and a wide array of restaurants and shops. Providence Forest is 18 miles from the center of the town via State Route 29 and Barkerville Road. You can enjoy in the woods all morning, go to the track in the afternoon, then hit the town for a fun evening out.

However, the property still offers a private retreat with an Adirondack ambience. The neighborhood is a quiet and rural one in the rolling foothills of northern Saratoga County. Lying just inside the Adirondack Park's 'Blue Line,' this forest is a classic opportunity for outdoor weekend recreation and cabin development. With gentle terrain, a network of internal trails, varied wildlife habitats and an on-site stream, the property can support a variety of activities. Just off-site, the Great Sacandaga Lake's Broadalbin boat launch, a primary entry point with parking for 70 cars and trailers, lies 15 minutes to the west of the property. More lakes and ponds as well as peaks and trails lie throughout the Adirondack region.

Saratoga County has consistently experienced strong population growth percentages for several decades making Providence Forest a smart land investment in a growing region. The recent price reduction brings the per acre price down by almost \$100/acre. Set within 45 minutes of the Capital District Region and associated "Tech Valley," the property is an accessible escape from everyday life.

ACCESS/BOUNDARIES

The property is accessed via 80' of frontage along Drager Road, a low-traffic, town-maintained, four-season road with electric utilities available roadside. The road frontage falls along the property's northwestern corner, with most of the acreage tucked away from the road, affording privacy and seclusion within the property bounds. From the road frontage, a private woods road parallels the northern boundary line for 800' before leaving the property and providing access to a neighboring ownership. An internal trail network has been established and maintained over the



Providence Forest is a solid, long term land investment in the Saratoga Region offering year-round access, future cabin site options and a long-term timber resource.



The property's northwest corner has frontage along Drager Road, a year-round town artery with utilities available roadside.

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ACCESS (continued)

<u>Directions</u>: To get to the property from Saratoga Springs, travel 13 miles west on Route 29 to Mosherville. Take a right onto County Route 16 (Barkerville Road) and travel 2.3 miles north to Barkerville Corners. From Barkerville Corners, travel onto CR 13 for 4.3 miles, then take a right onto Drager Road and go 1.5 miles; the property will be on the right.

Tax map acreage is reported as 144 acres. Boundaries in the field are generally discernible and consist of occasional painted lines with consistent pink and orange flagging. Maps in this report are based on the tax map information and are believed to be reasonably accurate. However, buyers should not rely on these maps to precisely portray the deeded boundary lines in the field.

SITE DESCRIPTION

With its gentle terrain and natural pine and hardwood forests, the property is well-suited for a host of outdoor activities, including hiking, ATV use, snowmobiling and hunting as well as nature viewing and conservation. There are numerous sites for establishing a weekend camp set away from the road. in the midst of the forest. All of these recreational uses can co-exist with long-term forestry management and conservation.

Terrain and forest composition are highly characteristic of the surrounding southern Adirondack foothills. The land's relief consists of several distinct finger ridges that are interspersed between lower-lying basins with little elevation change property-wide.

The ridge areas, in the northwest corner along Drager Road and within the northeast corner and central ridge portions of the property above 1,300', consist of Berkshire–Beckett-Tunbridge soils. Due to their excellent drainage, these sites are where the best white pine stands are located. The remainder of the property can be described as lower, flatter basin sites with a mix of hemlock and hardwood stands, offering great habitat for deer and other resident wildlife.

Recently opened areas encourage new growth, which attracts wildlife at sets the stage for future



Above: Finger ridge sites above 1,300' are well-drained and ideal for white pine growth.

Below: A nice year-round tributary of nearby Evans

Creek flows through the property.





NATURAL RESOURCES

Providence Forest's pine, hardwood and hemlock stands can support a number of long-term ownership goals. Species composition is dominated by a recently-thinned white pine component and supported by a mix of maples, hemlock, birches, aspen and beech poles.

A timber harvest 2010-2011 focused on the harvest of large white pine sawtimber stems and occasional mature hemlock and hardwood trees. Harvest activity occurred throughout most of the property. Some areas of the forest have been 'opened up' as a result of this activity, while several pockets of denser pine stocking still exist. Although recently thinned, the residual forest still has numerous smallto-medium (14-18") pine sawtimber stems that will anchor the next harvest opportunity a decade from now and act as a seed source for future sapling establishment.

The recent logging has created numerous forestry trails which can be cleared, upgraded and maintained for cross-country skiing and horseback riding as well as ATV and snowmobile use. The harvest also created holes in the forest canopy that will allow future browse and green plant growth to establish and attract deer. There are numerous deer trails throughout the property and a good amount of deer sign.

No inventory is available at this time.

PROPERTY TAXES

Annual property taxes in 2014 were roughly \$1,520. The property is **NOT** enrolled in New York State's Real Property Tax Law 480-A, which could reduce the annual tax burden by as much as 80%. There is a 3-year waiting period after a harvest for enrollment into 480A, so the property would be eligible in 2016. For more information about the 480 -A, contact Fountains Land or the Department of Environmental Conservation office in Ray Brook Mixed hardwoods occupy the lower elevations. (518) 897-1283.

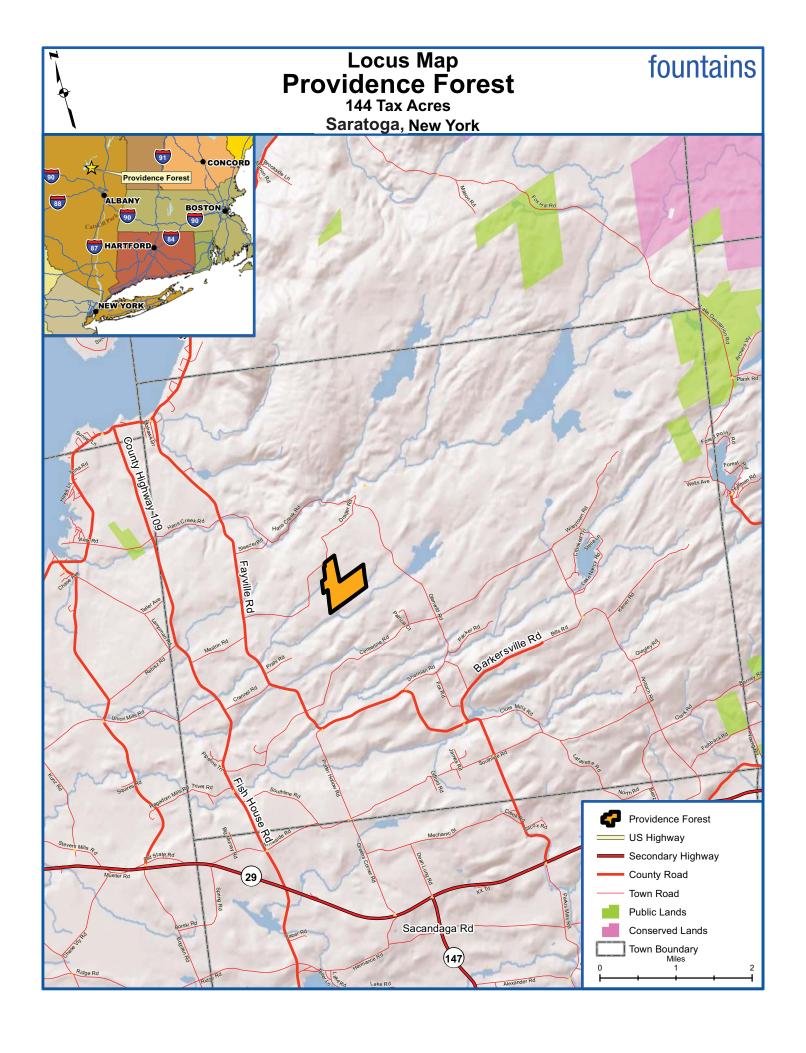


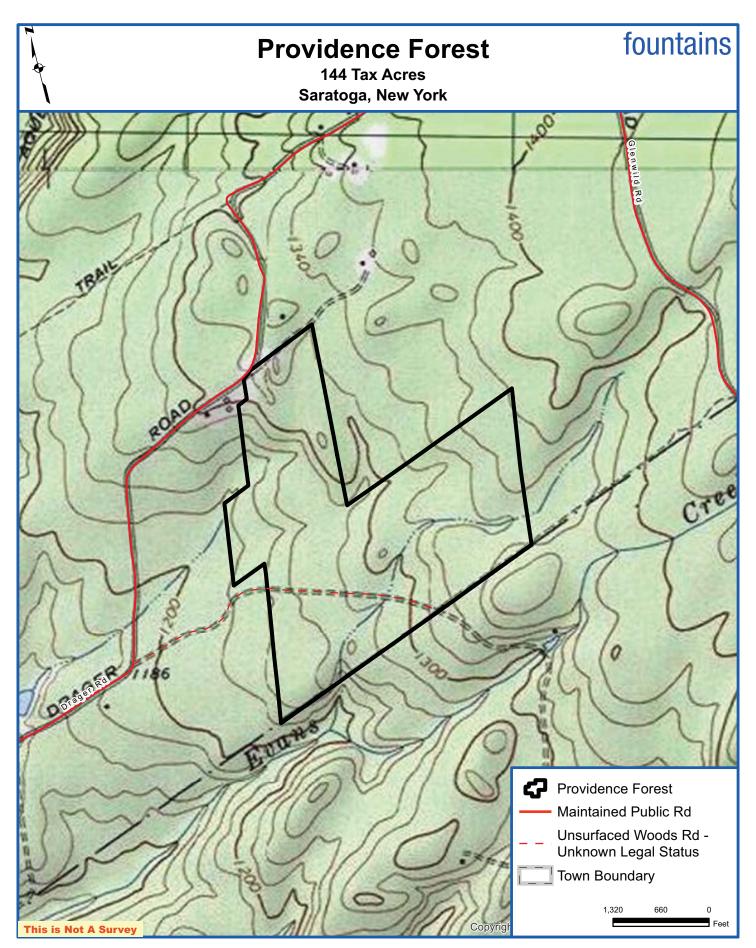
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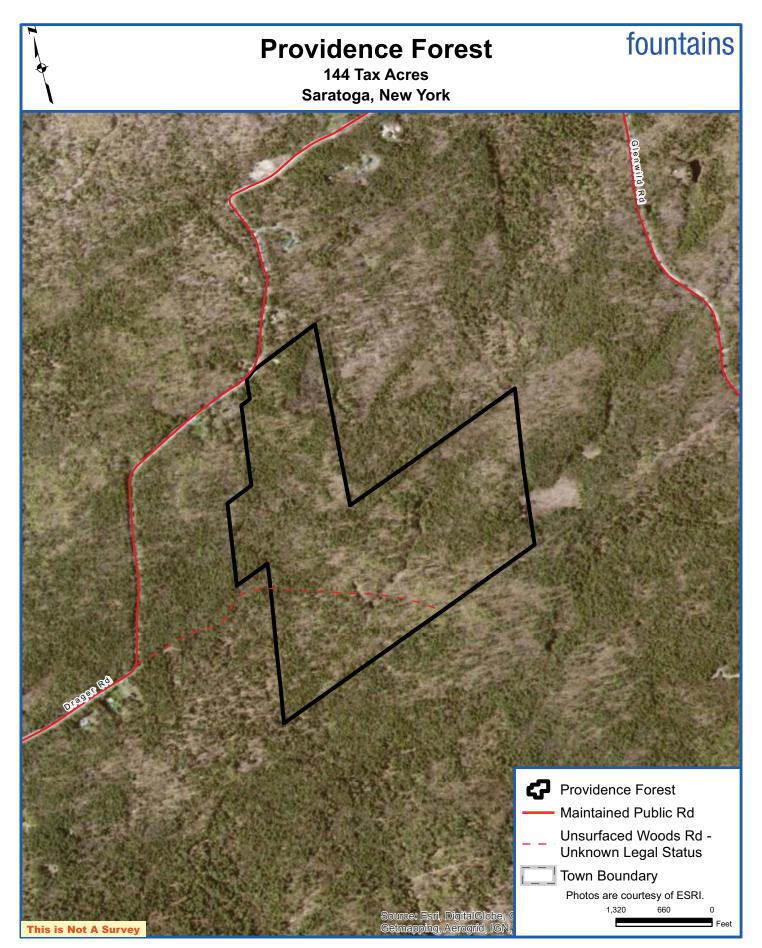


The property is listed in the Saratoga County Real Property Tax Service in Ballston Spa as Town of Providence parcels 133.-1-38, 133.-1-39, and 146.-1-18. Deed information can be found in the Saratoga County Clerk's office filed in Book 1742 page 754 and instrument #2007-38674. Adirondack Park Agency Land Use Classification is "Rural Use," which allows for one principle structure on average for

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A broker's agent is an agent that cooperates or is engaged by a listing agent or a buyer's agent (but does not work for the same firm as the listing agent or buyer's agent) to assist the listing agent or buyer's agent in locating a property to sell or buy, respectively, for the listing agent's seller or the buyer agent's buyer. The broker's agent does not have a direct relationship with the buyer or seller and the buyer or seller can not provide instructions or direction directly to the broker's agent. The buyer and the seller therefore do not have vicarious liability for the acts of the broker's agent. The listing agent or buyer's agent do provide direction and instruction to the broker's agent and therefore the listing agent or buyer's agent will have liability for the acts of the broker's agent.

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A real estate broker may represent both the buyer and seller if both the buyer and seller give their informed consent in writing. In such a dual agency situation, the agent will not be able to provide the full range of fiduciary duties to the buyer and seller. The obligations of an agent are also subject to any specific provisions set forth in an agreement between

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Dual Agent with Designated Sales Agents

If the buyer and seller provide their informed consent in writing, the principals and the real estate broker who represents both parties as a dual agent may designate a sales agent to represent the buyer and another sales agent to represent the seller to negotiate the purchase and sale of real

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