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## **CHERRY RIDGE FOREST**

**A southeastern Adirondack forestland tract with high-elevation terrain adjacent to DEC Wildland and situated at the end of a county road offering year-round, private access for home development.**



The land's wetland at it's center, with adjacent Moose & Baldhead Mountains within the State Wilderness.

***705 Tax Acres  
Thurman, Warren County, New York***

**Price: \$995,000**

## LOCATION

Cherry Ridge Forest is an easily accessible multiple-use property located in the southeastern section of New York's Adirondack Park. The land is directly adjacent to the 125,000-acre Wilcox Lake Wild Forest, one of the largest wilderness units within the Park. Crane Mountain is part of this wilderness and is the highest peak in the region, with its trailhead 3 miles north of the property.

This scenic region is anchored by nearby Lake George and Warrensburg, each +/-19 miles to the east, plus North Creek/Gore Mountain 14 miles to the north. Warrensburg is the closest larger village along the Schroon and Hudson Rivers and acts as a 'gateway' to the Adirondacks' High Peaks Region. Hospital services are available 29 miles to the south in Glens Falls.

Regionally, the surrounding landscape is distinguished by its vast natural beauty, scenic mountains, and many rivers and streams. The hamlet of Thurman is a 6-minute drive to the east. Locally, there are widely scattered year-round homes adjacent to and leading up to the land along Henry Wescott Road.

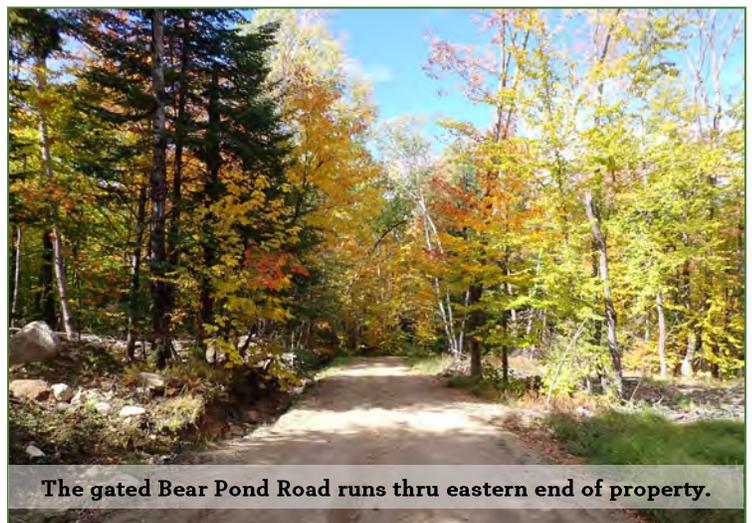
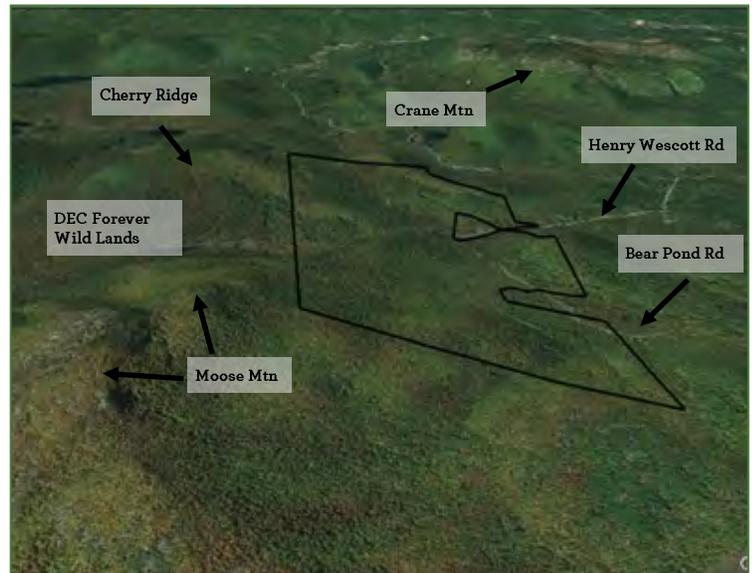
Albany, the state's capital and home of the Albany International Airport, is about an hour and twenty minutes to the south. Greater NY/ Boston metro regions lie within a 3.5-hour weekend commute.

## ACCESS

Henry Wescott Road provides access, which is a fully maintained, graveled county road with electric power that ends at the property boundary and offers a seldom traveled, quiet location.

Upon entering the land, an internal, rough road branches off in a northwesterly direction for +/-1,000', offering several locations at an elevation of 2,000' for home development with views of the surrounding mountains (after tree clearing).

Branching off the property's gated Bear Pond Road, another internal rough woods road heads westerly +/-1,000' feet into the center of the land. Bear Pond Road also leads to the southeastern section of the land.



## SITE DESCRIPTION

The property covers a large landscape that spans nearly 1.5 miles from north to south and .8 miles east to west. This considerable footprint is greatly expanded by the vast adjacent NY State Wild Forest.

The town road ends at the land's lowest elevation, with high ridges nearly rimming the land, offering great hiking options and big potential views as one gets further into the property. Cherry Ridge and Moose Mountain (the latter a short hike with its exposed granite peak) frame the western boundary where the land's terrain rises to 2,400' in elevation at each end. In between these high peaks, is a valley that leads to a wetland pond just off the land on the State's Wild Forest.

The northern and east-central boundaries each rise to a high ridge with elevations of nearly 2,100'. Two top of the watershed streams originate on the land and flow into a beaver pond located on the property near the end of the county road.

The land is well suited to development of a private compound with multiple potential homesites available along either of the internal woods roads. These potential building sites have level terrain with long range, attractive views with tree clearing. The northern site has a southern aspect and includes views to both Moose Mountain and Cherry Ridge.

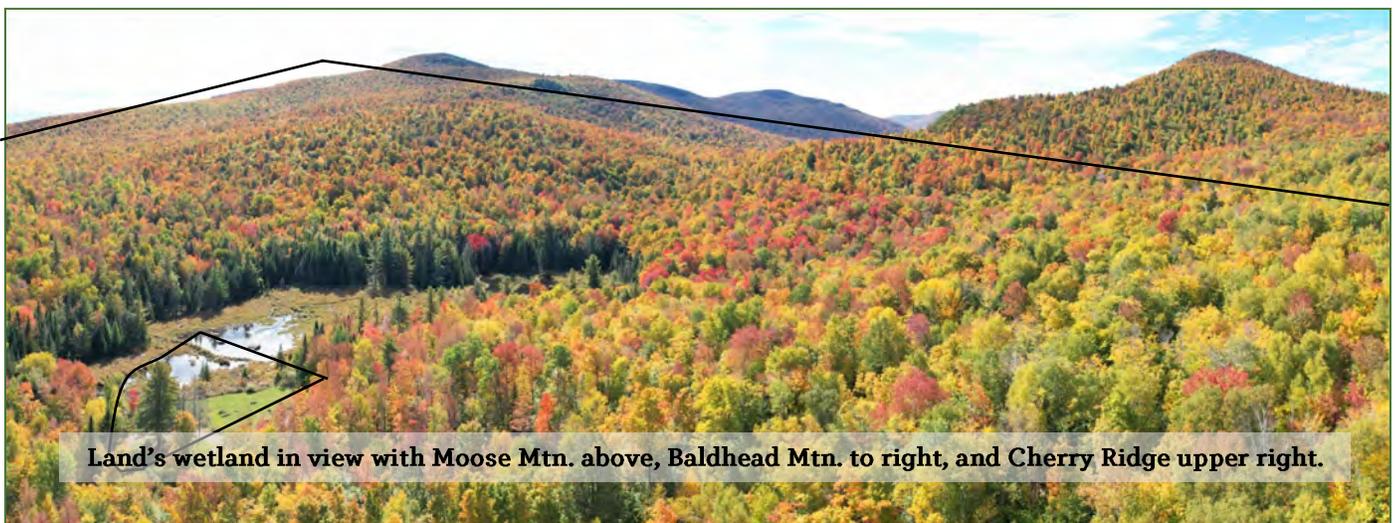
The property is made up of 10 individual tax lots (map with tax lots depicted available upon request) offering the potential for subdivision with APA approval.



The land's upper slope canopy leading to Cherry Ridge .



Typical terrain along the mid-slopes of the land.

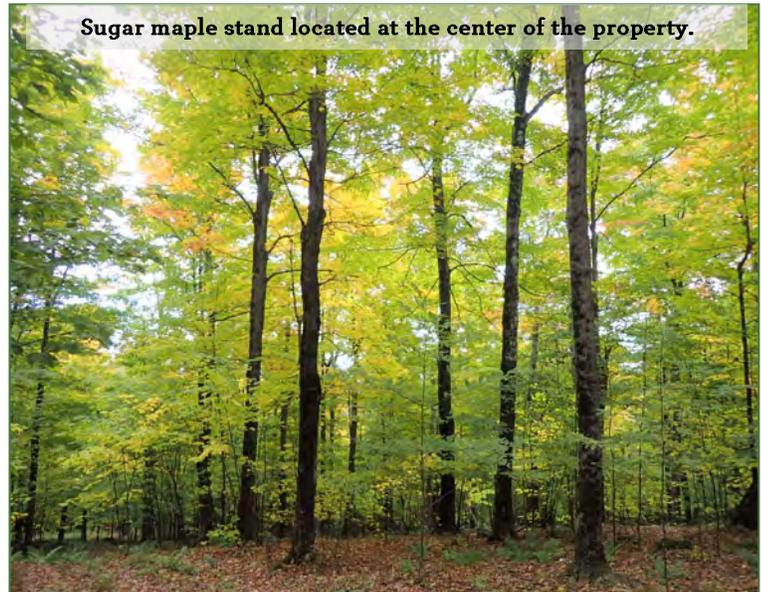


Land's wetland in view with Moose Mtn. above, Baldhead Mtn. to right, and Cherry Ridge upper right.

## NATURAL RESOURCES

The forest resource has a species composition dominated by northern hardwoods (maples, birches, beech & cherry), with softwoods limited to the lower elevations. Three primary age classes exist, with the older, scattered age class being +/-80 years old, an abundant middle age class of trees +/-50 years old, and a younger growing stock age class of roughly 30 years old. Portions of the land were last harvested 2-9 years ago. Based on the evidence of old stone walls, agricultural uses of the land appears to have occurred on the lower and more level slopes. The glacial period has left behind some large, nearly round glacial erratics.

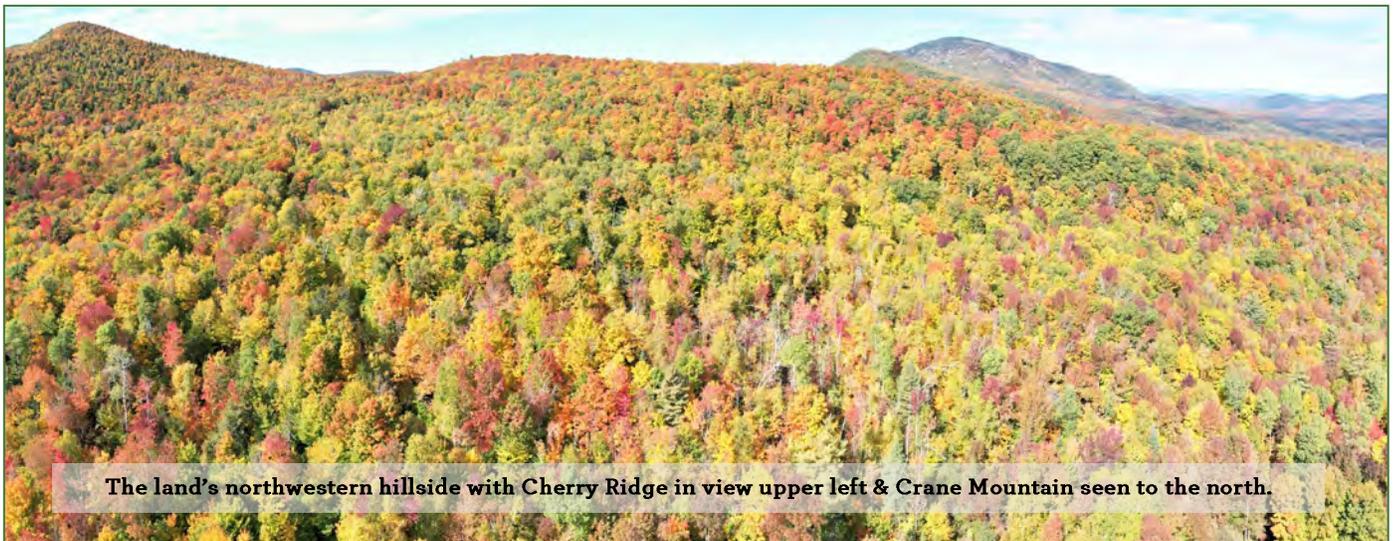
Most of the soils are high and dry except for a small wetland near the end of Henry Wescott Road. Given the significant adjacent Wild Forest landscape, large mammals such as black bears, moose, coyotes, fisher cats, and white-tailed deer are common.



**Sugar maple stand located at the center of the property.**

## TAXES, TITLE & ZONING

The property's title is recorded in 3 separate deeds (Liber 1274-326A, Liber 1427-113 & 1299-288) during 2001, 2002 & 2005) in the Warren County Clerk's Office. Tax acreage is +/-705, while GIS acreage is +/-748. A right of way exists across the Bear Pond trail that crosses the eastern section of the land, providing access to the camp owner near the land's southeastern border. Annual property taxes are \$8,547. Three hundred ninety-five acres of the property are NOT enrolled in the State of New York's 480-A Tax Program, while 310 acres are enrolled. The 480-A program allows for a substantial property tax reduction in exchange for the practice of "good" silviculture and a commitment to non-development uses. The property is in the Adirondack Park Agency's Resource Management Zone. No soil test pits have been taken.



**The land's northwestern hillside with Cherry Ridge in view upper left & Crane Mountain seen to the north.**

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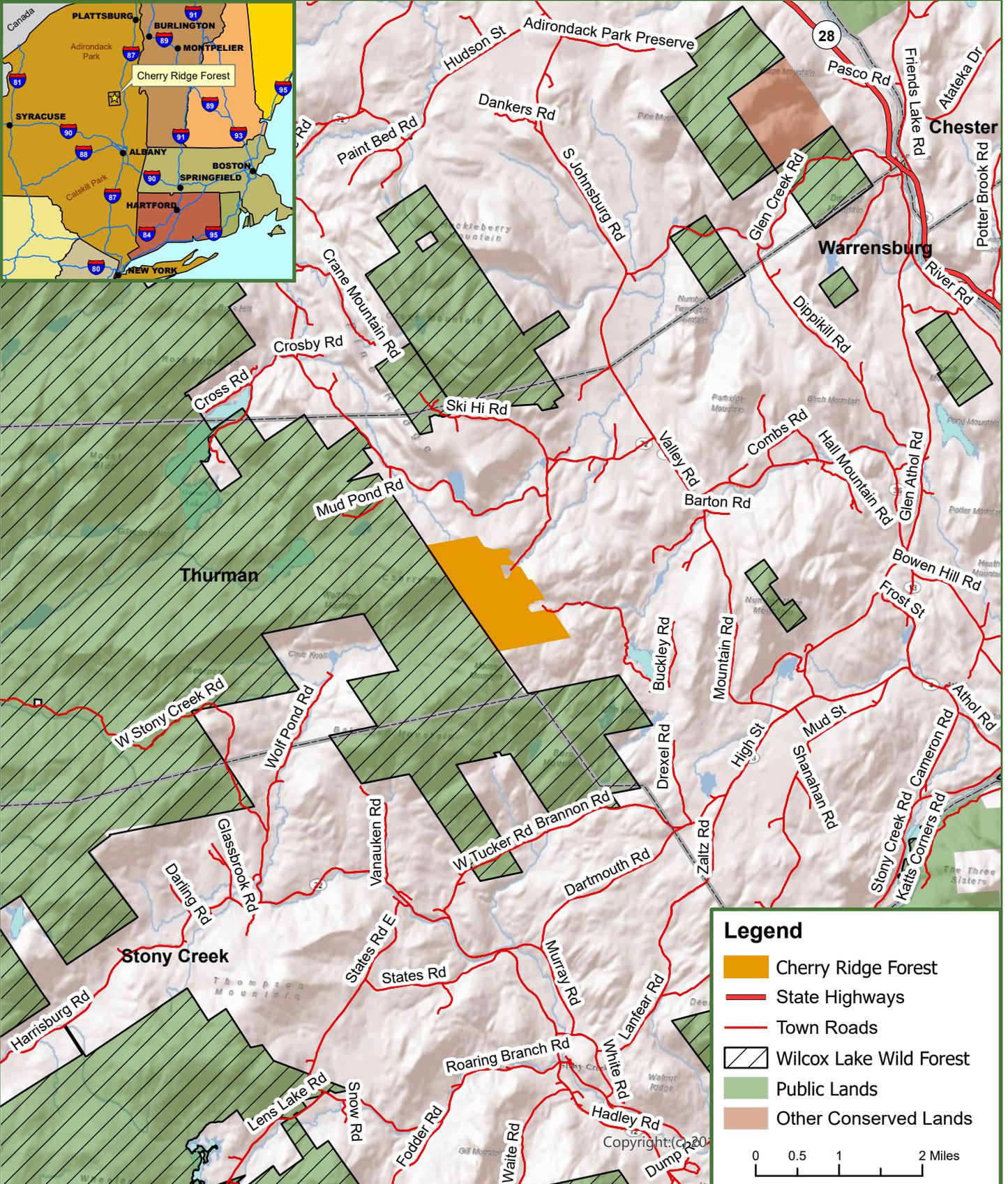
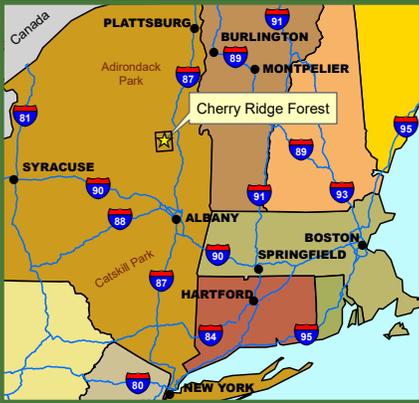
# Locus Map

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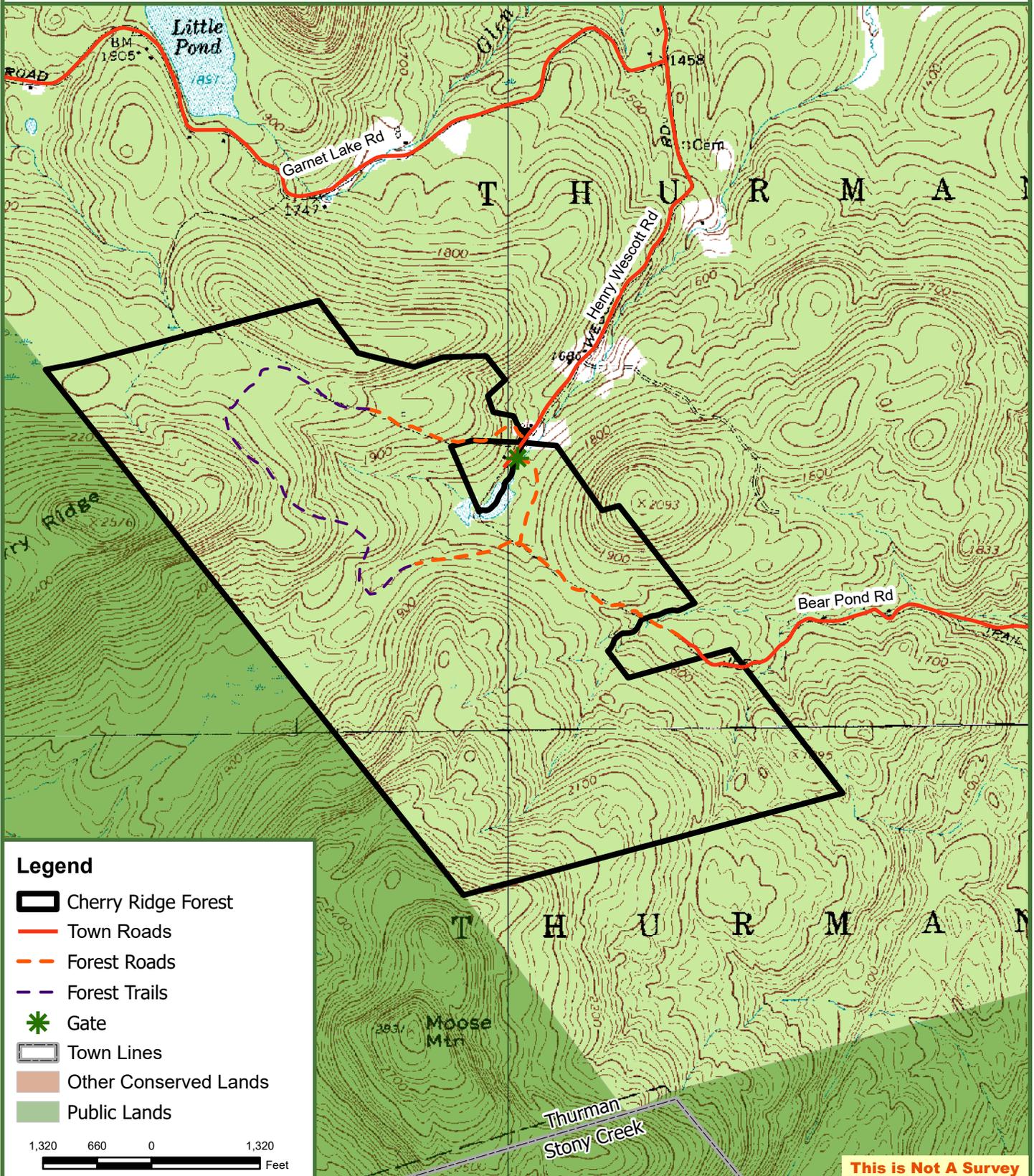
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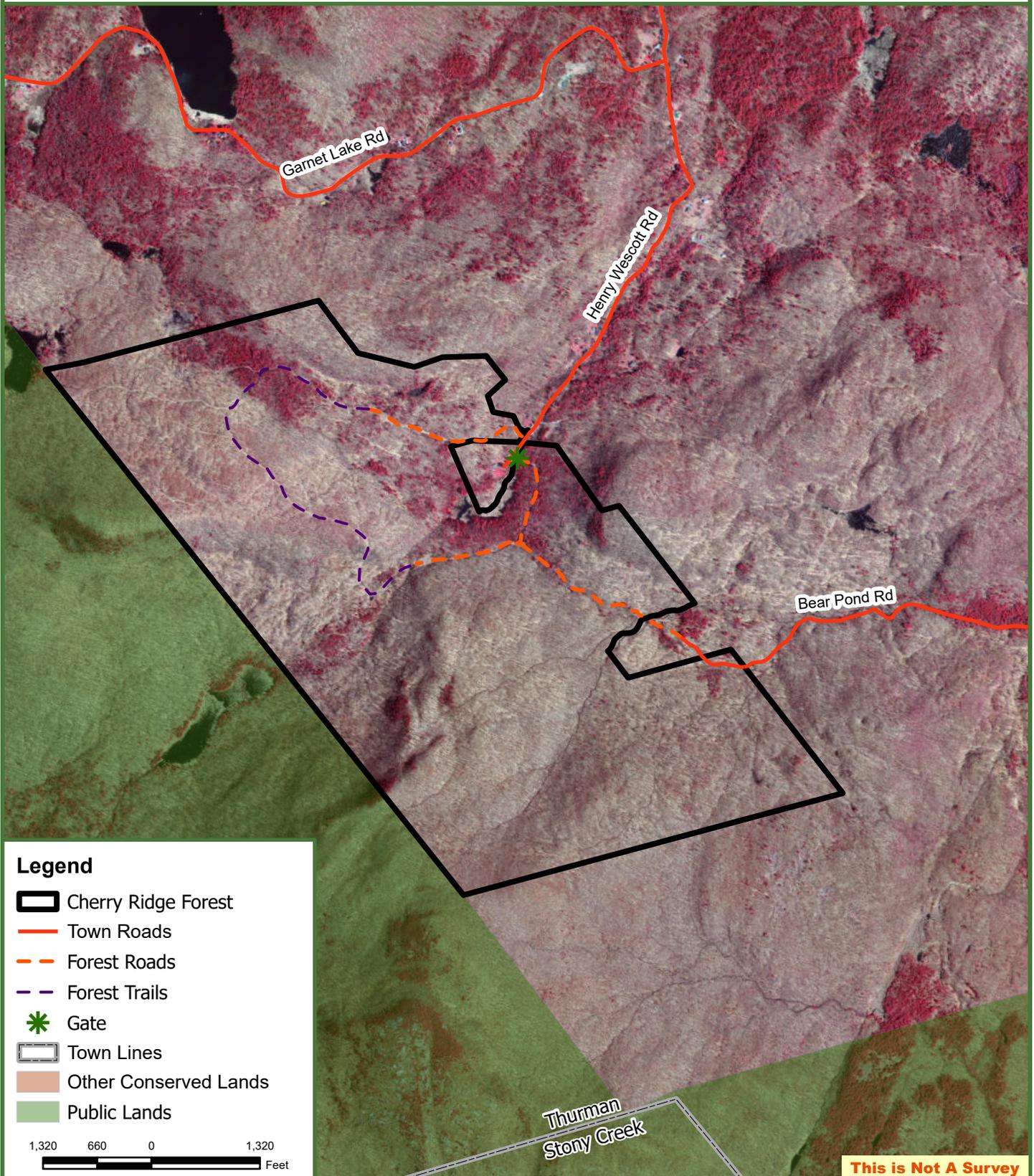
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### Dual Agent with Designated Sales Agents

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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