This summer the Town of Hanover has a rare opportunity to obtain a parcel land that will uniquely enhance the attractiveness of rural Hanover. The Town has reached agreement with heirs of the Estate of Morris & Ethel Hayes to purchase 9.4 acres of land in Etna Village. This land, mostly rolling fields and pasture along with some woodland, connects three Town sites: Etna Library, Etna Fire Station, and Trescott Ridge Conservation Area.

The benefits to our community that this land acquisition will enable include:

- A safe, off-street parking area,

- Expand the Etna Library, initially to make the building more accessible to all citizens; later for more space for library materials and activities,

- A pocket park with benches and perhaps a childrens' play structure,

- Active recreation, such as a multi-purpose playfield,

- Trails and a 4.2-acre nature preserve.

Town funds for the purchase of this land will consist of: \$190,000 from existing Town reserve funds and

\$55,000 from the Town's Conservation Fund. However, this still will leave a shortfall of \$115,000, which it is hoped will be met by contributions from citizens of Hanover.

Construction of site improvements and the expansion of Etna Library are intended to be funded through a combination of additional Town funds and labor, state and federal grant monies, and future public contributions.



View of the upper part of the Hayes Land

This is a rare opportunity to acquire a piece of land that can give so many benefits to our community.

Please help make it happen by making a donation to: The Hayes Land Fund c/o Town of Hanover 41 South Main Street P. O. Box 483 Hanover, NH 03755







