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## 1 DESCRIPTION

### 1.1 Purpose

Domain and site-specific information collected and described here is used to inform the execution of protocols for the NEON Terrestrial Observation System (TOS), and complements the official NEON TOS data products generated from each site. In addition, the TOS spatial layout and plot allocation is described for each site within the domain.

### 1.2 Scope

This document includes any site specific characterization methods and the results of characterization efforts for each of the two sites in the Northeast domain. For more information about the sampling methods, reference the TOS Site Characterization Methods Document (RD[06]). The geographic coordinates for all TOS sampling locations can be found in the Reference Documents area of the NEON Data Portal and are provided with TOS data product downloads.

## 2 RELATED DOCUMENTS AND ACRONYMS

### 2.1 Applicable Documents

Applicable documents contain information that shall be applied in the current document. Examples are higher level requirements documents, standards, rules and regulations.

|        |                 |   |
|--------|-----------------|---|
| AD[01] | NEON.DOC.004300 | EHSS Policy, Program and Management Plan                                |
| AD[02] | NEON.DOC.004316 | Operations Field Safety and Security Plan                               |
| AD[03] | NEON.DOC.050005 | Field Operations Job Instruction Training Plan                          |
| AD[04] | NEON.DOC.000909 | TOS Science Design for Ground Beetle Abundance and Diversity            |
| AD[05] | NEON.DOC.000910 | TOS Science Design for Mosquito Abundance, Diversity and Phenology      |
| AD[06] | NEON.DOC.000912 | TOS Science Design for Plant Diversity                                  |
| AD[07] | NEON.DOC.000915 | TOS Science Design for Small Mammal Abundance and Diversity             |
| AD[08] | NEON.DOC.000914 | TOS Science Design for Plant Biomass, Productivity, and Leaf Area Index |

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| AD[09] | NEON.DOC.000001 | NEON Observatory Design |
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## 2.2 Reference Documents

Reference documents contain information complementing, explaining, detailing, or otherwise supporting the information included in the current document.

|        |                 |   |
|--------|-----------------|---|
| RD[01] | NEON.DOC.000008 | NEON Acronym List                       |
| RD[02] | NEON.DOC.000243 | NEON Glossary of Terms                  |
| RD[03] | NEON.DOC.000913 | TOS Science Design for Spatial Sampling |
| RD[04] | NEON.DOC.011027 | TIS Site Characterization Report        |
| RD[05] | NEON.DOC.001588 | AOS Site Characterization Report        |
| RD[06] | NEON.DOC.003885 | TOS Site Characterization Methods       |

## 2.3 Acronyms

| Acronym | Definition                   |
|---------|------------------------------|
| NLCD    | National Land Cover Database |



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### 3 DOMAIN 01 OVERVIEW: THE NORTHEAST

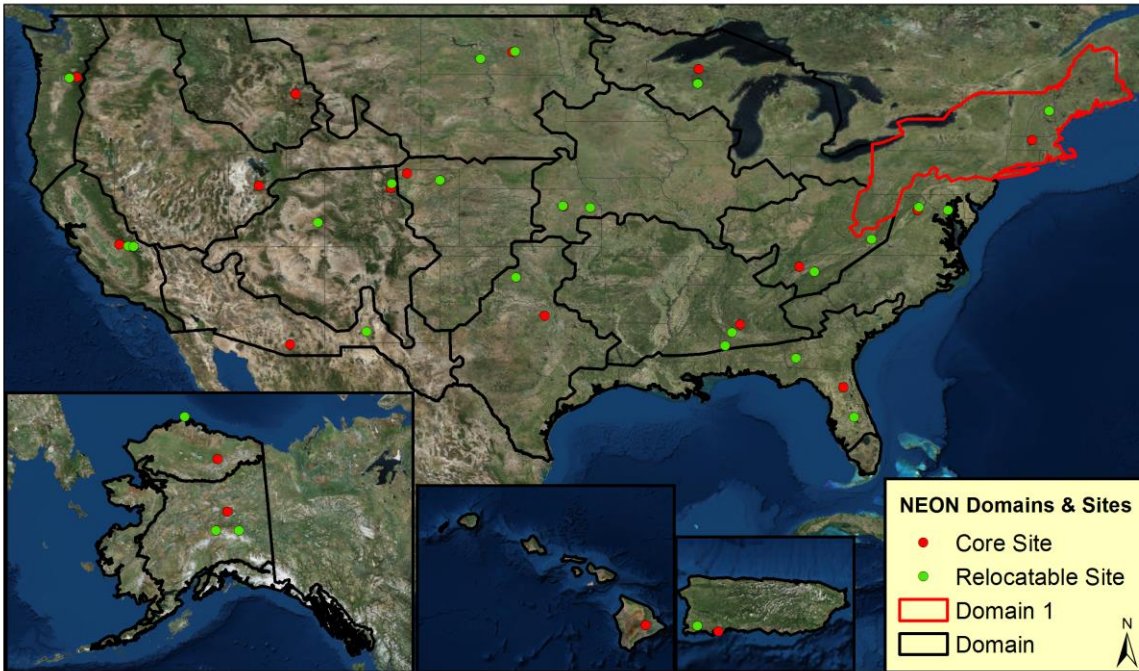
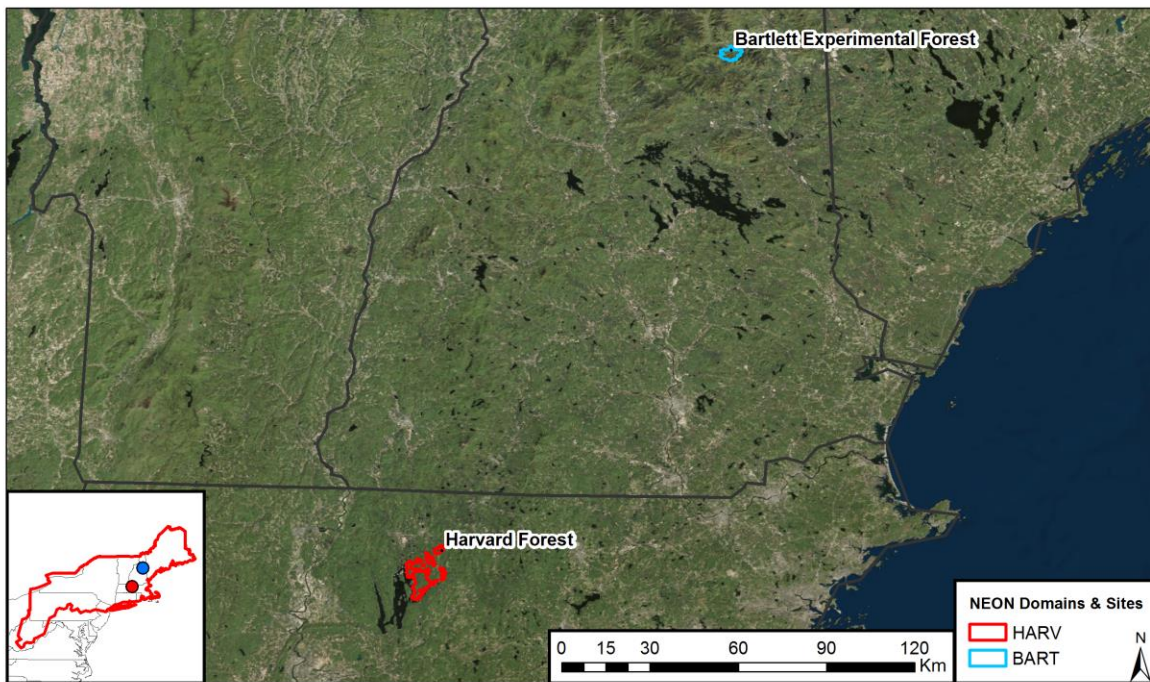


Figure 1. NEON project map with Domain 01 highlighted in red.



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**Figure 2.** Site boundaries within Domain 01.

- States in the domain: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia
- Core site: Harvard Forest (HARV)
- Relocatable 1: Bartlett Experimental Forest (BART)
- Science theme: Climate Change

#### 4 CORE SITE: HARVARD FOREST

The NEON Harvard Forest site includes land managed by two distinct entities: the Harvard Forest managed by Harvard University and the Harvard Forest Long Term Ecological Research (LTER) program (15.2 km<sup>2</sup>) and the Quabbin Reservoir Watershed managed by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (33.8 km<sup>2</sup>). Representative habitats at the NEON site include northern, transition, and central forests; marshes, swamps, conifer-dominated bogs, and forest plantations.

Regionally, HARV represents a typical rural/ wildland, allowing NEON to scale to larger spheres of influence, and the site anchors an urban to rural gradient from suburban areas outside Boston to the wildlands throughout New England, Maine and New Hampshire. Harvard Forest is centrally located relative to major Northeastern biotic and environmental gradients in the Transition Forest Zone, a floristic tension zone formed by the range limits of northern and southern taxa that is sensitive to future climate change.

##### Key Characteristics:

- Site hosts:
  - Harvard Forest -Harvard University, LTER
  - Quabbin Reservoir Watershed - Department of Conservation and Recreation- Division of Water Supply Protection
- Worcester County, Massachusetts
- Area: 49.025km<sup>2</sup>
- Elevation: 160- 382m
- Dominant vegetation type: The vegetation is typical of the Transition Hardwoods-White Pine-Hemlock region. The dominant vegetation is regenerating Eastern Deciduous temperate forest. Harvard Forest lies at the current northern range limit of the hemlock woolly adelgid (*Adelges tsugae*), an aphid-like insect that is killing eastern hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*) across its range.

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- **General management:** Since its inception in 1907, research and education have been the focus of Harvard Forest. The original purpose was to develop a field laboratory for students, a research center in forestry and related disciplines, and a demonstration of practical sustained forestry. Since 1988, Harvard Forest has been a Long-Term Ecological Research site, funded by the National Science Foundation to conduct integrated, long-term studies of forest dynamics.
- **Plot Selection:** NEON TOS Plots were allocated across the site following NEON standard criteria and avoiding existing research.

#### 4.1 TOS Spatial Sampling Design

TOS plots were allocated at HARV according to a spatially balanced and stratified-random design (RD[3]). The 2006 National Land Cover Database (NLCD) was selected for stratification because of the consistent and comparable data availability across the United States. TOS plots that are distributed throughout the site according to the spatial design are hereafter referred to as ‘Distributed Plots’. TOS plots that are randomly allocated within the airshed of the NEON Terrestrial Instrument System (TIS) tower to collect complementary data are not stratified by NLCD class; these plots are hereafter referred to as ‘Tower Plots’. The maps below depict the plot locations for the first year of NEON sampling. Some plot locations may change over time due to logistics, safety, and science requirements. Please visit the NEON website (<http://www.neonscience.org>) for updated plot locations at each site.

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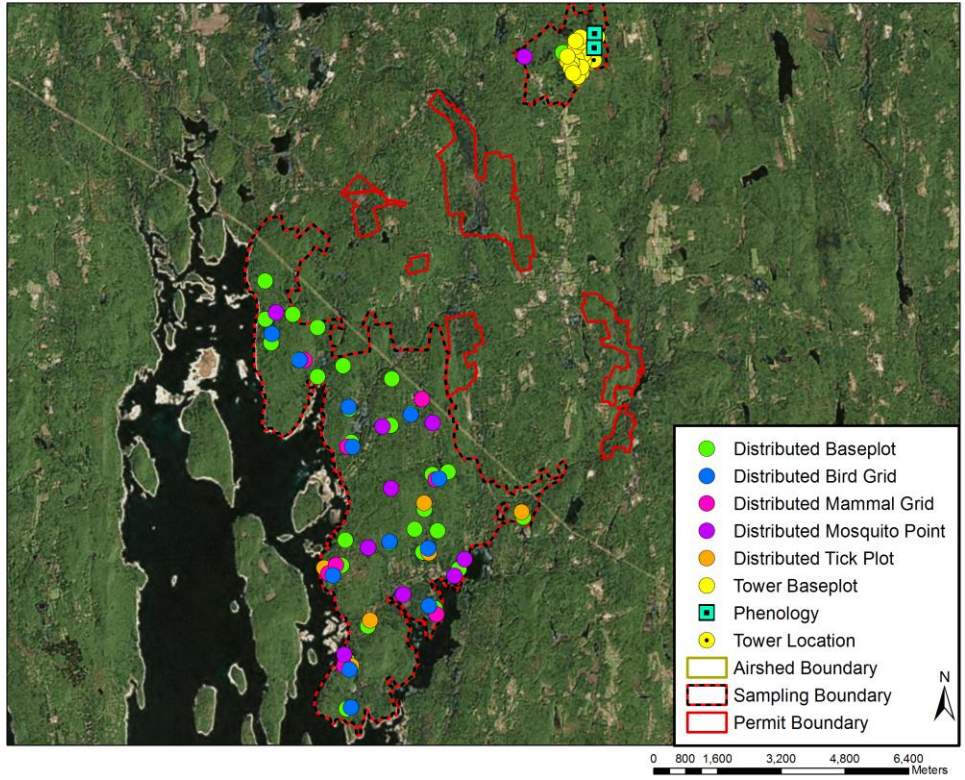
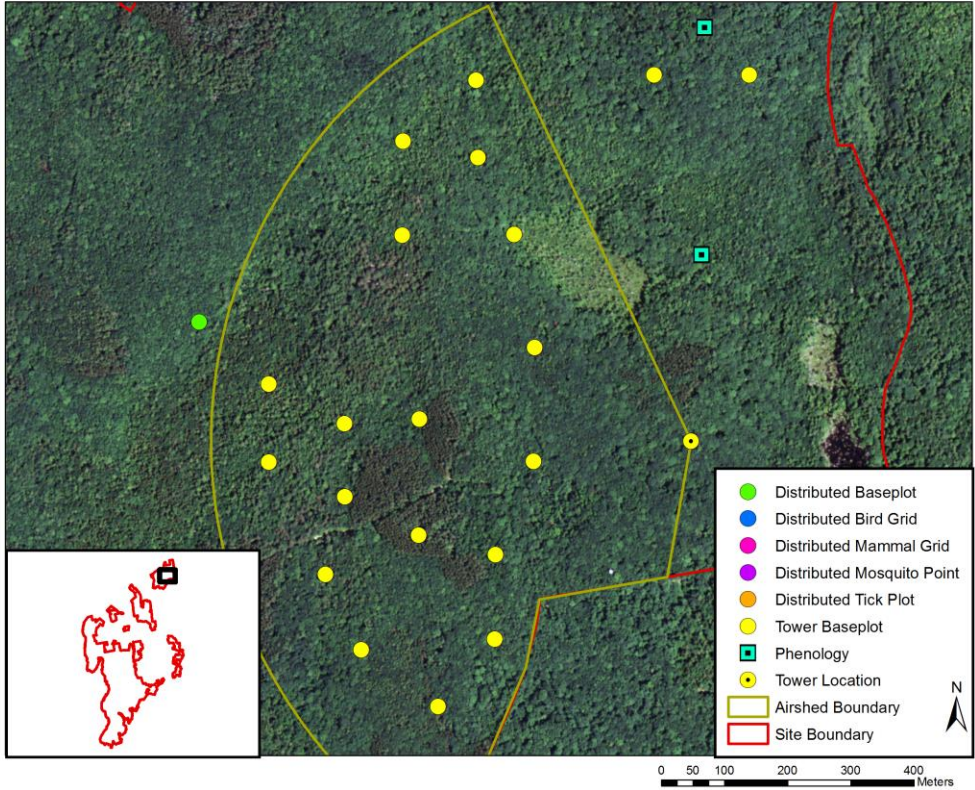


Figure 3. Map of TOS plot locations within the NEON TOS sampling boundary at HARV.



**Figure 4.** Map of the airshed area at HARV.

More information about the tower airshed can be found in the FIU site characterization reports (RD[4]).

**Table 1.** NLCD Land Cover Classes and Area within the TOS site boundary at HARV.

Note: Any NLCD land cover classes less than 5% will not be sampled. Additionally, no sampling will take place in Water, Developed, or Barren NLCD classes.

| NLCD Class       | Site Area (km <sup>2</sup> ) | Percent (%) |
|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Deciduous Forest | 16.16                        | 42.77%      |
| Evergreen Forest | 11.12                        | 29.42%      |
| Mixed Forest     | 7.12                         | 18.84%      |

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| NLCD Class                   | Site Area (km <sup>2</sup> ) | Percent (%) |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Developed, Open Space        | 1.40                         | 3.70%       |
| Shrub/Scrub                  | 0.55                         | 1.45%       |
| Open Water                   | 0.47                         | 1.25%       |
| Emergent Herbaceous Wetlands | 0.36                         | 0.96%       |
| Pasture/Hay                  | 0.28                         | 0.73%       |
| Woody Wetlands               | 0.22                         | 0.59%       |
| Developed, Low Intensity     | 0.05                         | 0.12%       |
| Grassland/Herbaceous         | 0.04                         | 0.11%       |
| Cultivated Crops             | 0.01                         | 0.03%       |
| Developed, Medium Intensity  | 0.004                        | 0.01%       |
| Barren Land (Rock/Sand/Clay) | 0.005                        | 0.01%       |
| Open Water                   | 0.47                         | 1.25%       |
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| Cultivated Crops             | 0.01                         | 0.03%       |
| Woody Wetlands               | 0.22                         | 0.59%       |
| Emergent Herbaceous Wetlands | 0.36                         | 0.96%       |

**Table 2.** NLCD Land Cover Classes and TOS plot numbers at HARV.

Note: NLCD land cover classes as not used to stratify tower plots

| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots Established |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Distributed | Base         | Deciduous Forest | 10                          |
| Distributed | Base         | Evergreen Forest | 9                           |
| Distributed | Base         | Mixed Forest     | 7                           |
| Distributed | Base         | Woody Wetland    | 4                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Deciduous Forest | 4                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Evergreen Forest | 3                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Mixed Forest     | 3                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Woody Wetland    | 2                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Deciduous Forest | 3                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Evergreen Forest | 3                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Mixed Forest     | 2                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Woody Wetland    | 0                           |
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Deciduous Forest | 4                           |
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Evergreen Forest | 3                           |

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| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots Established |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Mixed Forest     | 2                           |
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Woody Wetland    | 1                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Deciduous Forest | 2                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Evergreen Forest | 2                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Mixed Forest     | 1                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Woody Wetland    | 1                           |
| Tower       | Phenology    | NA               | 2                           |
| Tower       | Tower Plot   | NA               | 20                          |

**Table 3.** Number of Distributed Base Plots per NLCD Land Cover Class per protocol at HARV.

Distributed Base Plots typically support more than one TOS protocol; ‘Number of Plots’ cannot be added to get total TOS Distributed Base Plot number.

| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | Protocols                | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Beetles                  | Deciduous Forest | 4               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Beetles                  | Evergreen Forest | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Beetles                  | Mixed Forest     | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Deciduous Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Evergreen Forest | 1               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Mixed Forest     | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Woody Wetlands   | 1               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry | Deciduous Forest | 2               |



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| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | Protocols  | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots |
|-------------|--------------|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry                         | Evergreen Forest | 1               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry                         | Mixed Forest     | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry                         | Woody Wetlands   | 1               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Deciduous Forest | 7               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Mixed Forest     | 4               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Woody Wetlands   | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Deciduous Forest | 7               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Mixed Forest     | 4               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Woody Wetlands   | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Deciduous Forest | 7               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Mixed Forest     | 4               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Woody Wetlands   | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Deciduous Forest | 10              |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Evergreen Forest | 9               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Mixed Forest     | 7               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Woody Wetlands   | 4               |

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| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | Protocols            | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots |
|-------------|--------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes        | Deciduous Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes        | Evergreen Forest | 1               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes        | Mixed Forest     | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes        | Woody Wetlands   | 1               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure | Deciduous Forest | 7               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure | Mixed Forest     | 4               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure | Woody Wetlands   | 3               |

**Table 4.** Number of Tower Base Plots per protocol at HARV.

Tower Base Plots typically support more than one TOS protocol; ‘Number of Plots’ cannot be added to get total TOS Tower Base Plot number.

| Plot Type | Plot Subtype | Protocols  | Number of Plots |
|-----------|--------------|--|-----------------|
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Below Ground Biomass Coring                      | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry                                  | 4               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry                         | 4               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Litterfall and Fine Woody Debris                 | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Mat-Forming Bryophyte Production                 | 20              |

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| Plot Type | Plot Subtype | Protocols            | Number of Plots |
|-----------|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity      | 3               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes        | 4               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure | 20              |

## 4.2 Belowground Biomass

### 4.2.1 Site-Specific Methods

Belowground biomass characterization data were collected down to a depth of 130 cm by NEON staff in July 2012 following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]). Since the NEON protocol for long-term, operational sampling of belowground biomass only collects data to a depth of 30cm, the belowground biomass site characterization data are critical for scaling belowground biomass measurements to greater depths; see the TOS Science Design for Plant Biomass, Productivity, and Leaf Area Index (RD[8]) for more information. The tables below summarize the belowground biomass site characterization work and more data and information can be found by searching the data product numbers in Appendix A.

### 4.2.2 Results

**Table 5.** HARV fine root mass per depth increment ( $\text{mg}/\text{cm}^3$ )

| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Mean $\text{mg}/\text{cm}^3$ | $\text{mg}/\text{cm}^3$ std dev |
|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 0           | 10          | 6.74                         | 1.87                            |
| 10          | 20          | 3.65                         | 0.85                            |
| 20          | 30          | 1.85                         | 0.48                            |
| 30          | 40          | 2.23                         | 1.58                            |
| 40          | 50          | 2.94                         | 3.92                            |
| 50          | 60          | 0.39                         | 0.45                            |

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| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Mean mg/cm <sup>3</sup> | mg/cm <sup>3</sup> std dev |
|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 60          | 70          | 0.41                    | 0.36                       |
| 70          | 80          | 0.10                    | 0.09                       |
| 80          | 90          | 0.01                    | 0.01                       |
| 90          | 100         | 0.00                    | 0.00                       |
| 100         | 110         | 0.00                    | 0.00                       |
| 110         | 120         | 0.06                    | 0.11                       |
| 120         | 130         | 0.19                    | 0.32                       |

**Table 6.** HARV cumulative fine root mass as a function of depth (g/m<sup>2</sup>)

| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Mean Cumulative g/m <sup>2</sup> | Cumulative g/m <sup>2</sup> std dev |
|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 0           | 10          | 673.68                           | 187.16                              |
| 10          | 20          | 1038.85                          | 212.00                              |
| 20          | 30          | 1224.14                          | 181.26                              |
| 30          | 40          | 1446.93                          | 146.40                              |
| 40          | 50          | 1740.82                          | 441.08                              |
| 50          | 60          | 1779.89                          | 451.61                              |
| 60          | 70          | 1820.45                          | 484.30                              |
| 70          | 80          | 1830.45                          | 493.57                              |
| 80          | 90          | 1831.22                          | 493.55                              |
| 90          | 100         | 1831.22                          | 493.55                              |
| 100         | 110         | 1831.22                          | 493.55                              |

| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Mean Cumulative g/m <sup>2</sup> | Cumulative g/m <sup>2</sup> std dev |
|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 110         | 120         | 1837.45                          | 493.53                              |
| 120         | 130         | 1856.02                          | 494.85                              |

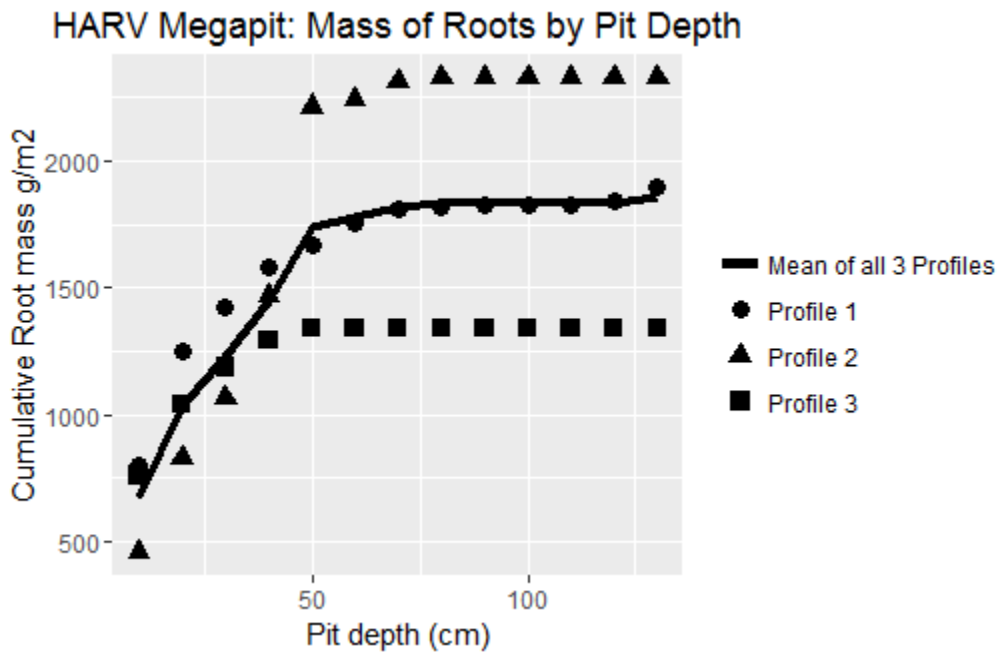


Figure 5. HARV Cumulative Root Mass by Pit Depth

Table 7. HARV fine root biomass sampling summary data

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Total Pit Depth                                    | 130 cm  |
| Total Cumulative Mass at 30cm (g/m <sup>2</sup> )  | 1224.14 |
| Total Cumulative Mass at 100cm (g/m <sup>2</sup> ) | 1831.22 |
| Total Cumulative Mass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )          | 1856.02 |

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### 4.3 Plant Characterization and Phenology Species Selection

#### 4.3.1 Site-Specific Methods

Plant characterization data were collected by an external contractor during the summer of 2013 following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]). Plant diversity data were collected in July 2013 by NEON technicians. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers, see Appendix A.

#### 4.3.2 Results

**Table 8.** Site Plant Characterization and Phenology Species Summary at HARV.

Note: Mean canopy area is collected for shrubs. Mean at breast height (ABH) diameter is collected for trees. Taxon IDs and scientific names are based on the USDA Plants database (plants.usda.gov).

| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                                    | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|--|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| OSCI     | <i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i> L.                       | 1    | 6            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| QURU     | <i>Quercus rubra</i> L.                            | 2    | N/A          | N/A                                 | 10.88                                       |
| TSCA     | <i>Tsuga canadensis</i> (L.)                       | 3    | <1           | N/A                                 | 7.59  |
| ACRU     | <i>Acer rubrum</i> L.                              | 4    | <1           | N/A                                 | 6.67  |
| DEPU2    | <i>Dennstaedtia punctilobula</i> (Michx.) T. Moore | 5    | 2            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PIST     | <i>Pinus strobus</i> L.                            | 6    | <1           | N/A                                 | 3.32  |
| PIRE     | <i>Pinus resinosa</i> Aiton                        | 7    | N/A          | N/A                                 | 3.41  |
| ARNU2    | <i>Aralia nudicaulis</i> L.                        | 8    | 1            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MACA4    | <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> Desf.                 | 9    | 1            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MEVI     | <i>Medeola virginiana</i> L.                       | 10   | 1            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| VAAN     | <i>Vaccinium angustifolium</i> Aiton               | 11   | 1            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PIMA     | <i>Picea mariana</i> (Mill.) Britton,              | 12   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 1.97  |

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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                                     | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|---|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
|          | Sterns & Poggenb.                                   |      |              |                                     |   |
| MIRE     | <i>Mitchella repens</i> L.                          | 13   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| GAPR2    | <i>Gaultheria procumbens</i> L.                     | 14   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| KALA     | <i>Kalmia latifolia</i> L.                          | 15   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0   |
| UVSE     | <i>Uvularia sessilifolia</i> L.                     | 16   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TRBO2    | <i>Trientalis borealis</i> Raf.                     | 17   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| COTR2    | <i>Coptis trifolia</i> (L.) Salisb.                 | 18   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| THNO     | <i>Thelypteris noveboracensis</i> (L.)<br>Nieuwl.   | 19   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| BEAL2    | <i>Betula alleghaniensis</i> Britton                | 20   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.85  |
| QUVE     | <i>Quercus velutina</i> Lam.                        | 21   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.68  |
| FAGR     | <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> Ehrh.                      | 22   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.51  |
| BELE     | <i>Betula lenta</i> L.                              | 23   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.53  |
| DRCA11   | <i>Dryopteris carthusiana</i> (Vill.)<br>H.P. Fuchs | 24   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| NYSY     | <i>Nyssa sylvatica</i> Marshall                     | 25   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.54  |
| CLBO3    | <i>Clintonia borealis</i> (Aiton) Raf.              | 26   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| VACO     | <i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i> L.                      | 27   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0   |
| PIAB     | <i>Picea abies</i> (L.) Karst.                      | 28   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.41  |
| LYOB     | <i>Lycopodium obscurum</i> L.                       | 29   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ACPE     | <i>Acer pensylvanicum</i> L.                        | 30   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.01  |

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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name   | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|---|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| BEPA     | <i>Betula papyrifera</i> Marshall                                     | 31   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.29  |
| VILA11   | <i>Viburnum lantanoides</i> Michx.                                    | 32   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0   |
| DRCA3    | <i>Dryopteris campyloptera</i> Clarkson                               | 33   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| QUERC    | <i>Quercus</i> sp.  | 34   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| VINUC    | <i>Viburnum nudum</i> L. var. <i>cassinoides</i> (L.) Torr. & A. Gray | 35   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| FRAM2    | <i>Fraxinus americana</i> L.  | 36   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.16  |
| RHPR     | <i>Rhododendron prinophyllum</i> (Small) Millais                      | 37   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| EPRE2    | <i>Epigaea repens</i> L.  | 38   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PTAQ     | <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> (L.) Kuhn                                  | 38   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PRSE2    | <i>Prunus serotina</i> Ehrh.  | 40   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.01  |
| ILVE     | <i>Ilex verticillata</i> (L.) A. Gray                                 | 41   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0   |
| ARTR     | <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> (L.) Schott                                | 42   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| BEPO     | <i>Betula populifolia</i> Marshall                                    | 42   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LIBE3    | <i>Lindera benzoin</i> (L.) Blume                                     | 42   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| AMELA    | <i>Amelanchier</i> sp.  | 45   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ILLA     | <i>Ilex laevigata</i> (Pursh) A. Gray                                 | 45   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| VIDE     | <i>Viburnum dentatum</i> L.   | 45   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| QUAL     | <i>Quercus alba</i> L.  | 48   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.06  |
| DRCR4    | <i>Dryopteris cristata</i> (L.) A. Gray                               | 49   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |



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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                           | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|---|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| LYAN2    | <i>Lycopodium annotinum</i> L.            | 49   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| THPA     | <i>Thelypteris palustris</i> Schott       | 49   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CELAS    | <i>Celastrus</i> sp.                      | 52   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| DRMA4    | <i>Dryopteris marginalis</i> (L.) A. Gray | 52   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MOUN3    | <i>Monotropa uniflora</i> L.              | 52   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TRUN     | <i>Trillium undulatum</i> Willd.          | 52   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PIGL     | <i>Picea glauca</i> (Moench) Voss         | 56   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.03  |
| POGR4    | <i>Populus grandidentata</i> Michx.       | 57   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.03  |
| LADE2    | <i>Larix decidua</i> Mill.                | 58   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.03  |
| LYTR     | <i>Lycopodium tristachyum</i> Pursh       | 59   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| OCAC     | <i>Oclemena acuminata</i> (Michx.) Greene | 59   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| RUHI     | <i>Rubus hispidus</i> L.                  | 59   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ACSA3    | <i>Acer saccharum</i> Marshall            | 62   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.02  |
| BETUL    | <i>Betula</i> sp.                         | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CADE5    | <i>Carex debilis</i> Michx.               | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CAREX    | <i>Carex</i> sp.                          | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CASW     | <i>Carex swanii</i> (Fernald) Mack.       | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CATR10   | <i>Carex trisperma</i> Dewey              | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| COCA13   | <i>Cornus canadensis</i> L.               | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |

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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                              | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|--|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| EUDI16   | <i>Eurybia divaricata</i> (L.) G.L.<br>Nesom | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PRAV     | <i>Prunus avium</i> (L.) L.                  | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| RUPU     | <i>Rubus pubescens</i> Raf.                  | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| SPAL2    | <i>Spiraea alba</i> Du Roi                   | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TRER3    | <i>Trillium erectum</i> L.                   | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CADE12   | <i>Castanea dentata</i> (Marshall)<br>Borkh. | 74   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.01  |
| HAVI4    | <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> L.               | 75   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.01  |
| OSVI     | <i>Ostrya virginiana</i> (Mill.) K. Koch     | 76   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.01  |
| VINU     | <i>Viburnum nudum</i> L.                     | 77   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0   |
| KAAN     | <i>Kalmia angustifolia</i> L.                | 78   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0   |
| AMLA     | <i>Amelanchier laevis</i> Wiegand            | 79   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0   |

**Table 9.** Per Plot Breakdown of Plant Species Richness, Diversity, and Herbaceous Cover at HARV

| Plot ID  | Species Richness | Shannon Diversity Index | % Total Herbaceous Cover |
|----------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| HARV_033 | 23               | 2.57                    | 22                       |
| HARV_034 | 27               | 2.35                    | 48                       |
| HARV_035 | 13               | 1.62                    | 16                       |
| HARV_036 | 32               | 2.83                    | 38                       |
| HARV_037 | 29               | 2.46                    | 52                       |
| HARV_038 | 31               | 3.00                    | 24                       |

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| Plot ID  | Species Richness | Shannon Diversity Index | % Total Herbaceous Cover |
|----------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| HARV_039 | 21               | 2.49                    | 23                       |
| HARV_040 | 40               | 2.82                    | 60                       |
| HARV_041 | 30               | 3.18                    | 19                       |
| HARV_042 | 34               | 2.71                    | 36                       |
| HARV_043 | 24               | 2.74                    | 16                       |
| HARV_044 | 42               | 2.98                    | 50                       |
| HARV_045 | 30               | 2.95                    | 27                       |
| HARV_046 | 29               | 2.54                    | 40                       |
| HARV_047 | 40               | 2.80                    | 38                       |
| HARV_048 | 29               | 2.54                    | 29                       |
| HARV_049 | 32               | 2.70                    | 30                       |
| HARV_050 | 26               | 2.80                    | 19                       |
| HARV_051 | 30               | 2.28                    | 34                       |
| HARV_052 | 16               | 2.64                    | 7.00                     |

#### 4.4 Beetles

##### 4.4.1 Site-Specific Methods

Beetle site characterization was conducted in June and July 2010 by NEON staff following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]). Beetle site characterization data was collected to start site level teaching collections. For sequencing data generated as a result of these efforts, visit the Barcode of Life Datasystems (BOLD) <http://www.boldsystems.org/>. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers, see Appendix A.

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#### 4.4.2 Results

**Table 10.** HARV Beetle Trap Locations

| Trap Location | Lat    | Long    |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| 1             | 42.526 | -72.183 |
| 2             | 42.527 | -72.183 |
| 3             | 42.529 | -72.184 |
| 4             | 42.531 | -72.189 |
| 5             | 42.535 | -72.183 |
| 6             | 42.538 | -72.186 |
| 7             | 42.544 | -72.176 |

Note: Trap locations were recorded to only three decimal places, thus introducing mapping error. No sampling occurred outside of the permitted boundary.

**Table 11.** HARV Beetle Identification Results

| BOLD Sample ID   | Family name | Subfamily name | Species name                 | Collection date | Trap Location |
|------------------|-------------|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTcarabid1715 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i> | 7/12/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1831 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i> | 7/26/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1728 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Myas cyanescens</i>       | 7/12/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1749 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Poecilus lucublandus</i>  | 7/5/2010        | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1830 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i> | 7/26/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1741 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Syntomus americanus</i>   | 7/12/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1666 | Carabidae   | Nebriinae      | <i>Notiophilus aeneus</i>    | 7/5/2010        | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1738 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Syntomus americanus</i>   | 7/5/2010        | 1             |

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| BOLD Sample ID   | Family name | Subfamily name | Species name                      | Collection date | Trap Location |
|------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTcarabid1832 | Carabidae   | Carabinae      | <i>Carabus nemoralis</i>          | 7/26/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1740 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Syntomus americanus</i>        | 7/12/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1699 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Poecilus lucublandus</i>       | 7/5/2010        | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1664 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Harpalus faunus</i>            | 7/5/2010        | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1824 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Harpalus pensylvanicus</i>     | 7/19/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1712 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>      | 7/12/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1667 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonoleptus conjunctus</i>     | 7/5/2010        | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1785 | Carabidae   | Carabinae      | <i>Carabus nemoralis</i>          | 7/19/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1833 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>      | 7/19/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTcarabid1784 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Myas cyanescens</i>            | 7/26/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1745 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Pterostichus pensylvanicus</i> | 7/12/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1703 | Dytiscidae  | Unknown        | Unknown                           | 7/5/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1726 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Myas cyanescens</i>            | 7/5/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1713 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>      | 7/5/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1714 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>      | 7/5/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1702 | Dytiscidae  | Unknown        | Unknown                           | 7/12/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1818 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>      | 7/19/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1758 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>           | 7/19/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1725 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Amara lunicollis</i>           | 7/5/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1710 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>      | 7/12/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTcarabid1727 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Myas cyanescens</i>            | 7/5/2010        | 2             |

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| BOLD Sample ID   | Family name | Subfamily name | Species name                              | Collection date | Trap Location |
|------------------|-------------|----------------|---|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTcarabid1797 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/19/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1821 | Dytiscidae  | Unknown        | Unknown                                   | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1826 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1733 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>                   | 6/28/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1735 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/19/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1711 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Chlaenius emarginatus</i>              | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1707 | Carabidae   | Carabinae      | <i>Sphaeroderus canadensis canadensis</i> | 7/5/2010        | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1827 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum mutatum</i>                     | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1730 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>                   | 6/21/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1819 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1701 | Dytiscidae  | Unknown        | Unknown                                   | 6/14/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1736 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/19/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1665 | Carabidae   | Brachiniinae   | <i>Brachinus fulminatus</i>               | 7/5/2010        | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1823 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1731 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>                   | 6/21/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1828 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1829 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum gratiosum</i>                   | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1825 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum mutatum</i>                     | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1820 | Carabidae   | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum mutatum</i>                     | 7/26/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1788 | Carabidae   | Trechinae      | <i>Trechus apicalis</i>                   | 7/19/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1700 | Dytiscidae  | Unknown        | Unknown                                   | 6/14/2010       | 3             |

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| NEONTcarabid1683 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Pterostichus rostratus</i>             | 6/28/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1706 | Carabidae    | Carabinae      | <i>Sphaeroderus canadensis canadensis</i> | 7/12/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1632 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum mutatum</i>                     | 7/19/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTcarabid1762 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>                   | 7/19/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1747 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Poecilus lucublandus</i>               | 7/12/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1722 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Amara lunicollis</i>                   | 6/21/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1721 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Amara lunicollis</i>                   | 6/21/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1716 | Scarabaeidae | Melolonthinae  | <i>Nipponoserica peregrina</i>            | 7/5/2010        | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1746 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Poecilus lucublandus</i>               | 7/12/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1724 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Amara lunicollis</i>                   | 6/28/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1698 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Poecilus lucublandus</i>               | 6/21/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1739 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Syntomus americanus</i>                | 6/28/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1732 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>                   | 6/21/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1719 | Scarabaeidae | Melolonthinae  | <i>Nipponoserica peregrina</i>            | 7/12/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1748 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Poecilus lucublandus</i>               | 7/12/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1760 | Carabidae    | Carabinae      | <i>Carabus nemoralis</i>                  | 7/19/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1792 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Agonum retractum</i>                   | 7/26/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1761 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Cymindis cribricollis</i>              | 7/19/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1720 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Amara lunicollis</i>                   | 6/21/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1709 | Carabidae    | Carabinae      | <i>Sphaeroderus stenostomus</i>           | 7/19/2010       | 4             |

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| NEONTcarabid1708 | Carabidae    | Carabinae      | <i>Sphaeroderus stenostomus</i>           | 7/12/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1717 | Scarabaeidae | Melolonthinae  | <i>Nipponoserica peregrina</i>            | 6/14/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1718 | Scarabaeidae | Melolonthinae  | <i>Nipponoserica peregrina</i>            | 6/14/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1809 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Syntomus americanus</i>                | 7/26/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTcarabid1672 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Pterostichus rostratus</i>             | 6/21/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTcarabid1802 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Cymindis neglecta</i>                  | 7/26/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTcarabid1661 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Cymindis neglecta</i>                  | 7/19/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTcarabid1807 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Synuchus impunctatus</i>               | 7/26/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTcarabid1662 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Cymindis neglecta</i>                  | 7/12/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTcarabid1729 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Cymindis cribricollis</i>              | 6/21/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTcarabid1744 | Carabidae    | Harpalinae     | <i>Pterostichus pennsylvanicus</i>        | 6/8/2010        | 6             |
| NEONTcarabid1705 | Carabidae    | Carabinae      | <i>Sphaeroderus canadensis canadensis</i> | 6/28/2010       | 7             |
| NEONTcarabid1704 | Carabidae    | Carabinae      | <i>Sphaeroderus canadensis canadensis</i> | 6/28/2010       | 7             |

## 4.5 Mosquitoes

### 4.5.1 Site-Specific Methods

Mosquito site characterization was conducted in June and July 2010 by NEON staff following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]) to test protocol methods and start site level species lists. No pathogen testing was performed. For sequencing data generated as a



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result of these efforts, visit the Barcode of Life Datasystems (BOLD) <http://www.boldsystems.org/>. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers see Appendix A.

#### 4.5.2 Results

**Table 12.** HARV Mosquito Trapping Locations

| Trap Location | Lat    | Long    |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| 1             | 42.526 | -72.183 |
| 2             | 42.527 | -72.183 |
| 3             | 42.529 | -72.184 |
| 4             | 42.531 | -72.189 |
| 5             | 42.535 | -72.183 |
| 6             | 42.538 | -72.186 |
| 7             | 42.544 | -72.176 |

Note: Trap locations were recorded to only three decimal places, thus introducing mapping error. No sampling occurred outside of the permitted boundary.

**Table 13.** HARV Mosquito (Family Culicidae) Identification Results

| BOLD Sample ID   | Subfamily name | Species name                     | Collection date | Trap Location |
|------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTculicid1556 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex restuans</i>            | 7/20/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1547 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 7/13/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2090 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 7/21/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1548 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>           | 7/13/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1570 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>          | 7/28/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1555 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 7/20/2010       | 1             |

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| BOLD Sample ID   | Subfamily name | Species name                     | Collection date | Trap Location |
|------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTculicid2081 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i>        | 7/27/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2089 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 7/21/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2087 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 7/21/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2082 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i>        | 7/27/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1557 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes vexans</i>              | 7/20/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2063 | Anophelinae    | <i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>    | 7/14/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1552 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta impatiens</i>        | 7/14/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1569 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i>        | 7/28/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1562 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex restuans</i>            | 7/27/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1549 | Anophelinae    | <i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>    | 7/13/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1563 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes cinereus</i>            | 7/27/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1553 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 7/14/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1546 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 7/13/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2064 | Anophelinae    | <i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>    | 7/20/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid2091 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 7/21/2010       | 1             |
| NEONTculicid1571 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>           | 7/28/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1542 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 7/7/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTculicid2075 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>           | 7/7/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTculicid2096 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 7/21/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1541 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 7/7/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1572 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>           | 7/28/2010       | 2             |

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|------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTculicid1574 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>   | 7/28/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid2077 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>    | 7/7/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1560 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 7/21/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1573 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i> | 7/28/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid2095 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 7/21/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid2074 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>    | 7/7/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1561 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>    | 7/21/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1559 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>   | 7/20/2010       | 2             |
| NEONTculicid2076 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>    | 7/7/2010        | 2             |
| NEONTculicid1537 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex salinarius</i>   | 6/30/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1554 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes cinereus</i>     | 7/20/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1888 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1566 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i> | 7/28/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid2078 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>    | 6/16/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid2085 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i> | 7/27/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid2093 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 7/27/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1886 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1887 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid2067 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex restuans</i>     | 6/15/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1543 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>   | 7/13/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1885 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 3             |

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| NEONTculicid2066 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex restuans</i>            | 6/15/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1544 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>          | 7/13/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1883 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1515 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex salinarius</i>          | 6/8/2010        | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1884 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 3             |
| NEONTculicid1891 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1901 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2046 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 6/9/2010        | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1871 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2086 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i>        | 7/28/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1900 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1527 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes aurifer</i>             | 6/16/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2079 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>           | 6/16/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1873 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1568 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes triseriatus</i>         | 7/28/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2059 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes triseriatus</i>         | 7/21/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1877 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2057 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes triseriatus</i>         | 7/20/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1879 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/23/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1893 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1525 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 6/16/2010       | 4             |

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| NEONTculicid1551 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>    | 7/14/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2084 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta morsitans</i> | 7/27/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2058 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes triseriatus</i>  | 7/20/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2044 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex salinarius</i>   | 7/6/2010        | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2045 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>   | 6/9/2010        | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1874 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1876 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1895 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1534 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex salinarius</i>   | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1878 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/23/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2080 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex territans</i>    | 6/16/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1875 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1894 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1882 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/23/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1870 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/22/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1528 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes cinereus</i>     | 6/16/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid2060 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes triseriatus</i>  | 7/27/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1880 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/23/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1892 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1898 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1872 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>  | 6/22/2010       | 4             |

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| NEONTculicid1897 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1890 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1899 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1889 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1896 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/29/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1881 | Culicinae      | <i>Culiseta melanura</i>         | 6/23/2010       | 4             |
| NEONTculicid1565 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>          | 7/28/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTculicid2065 | Anophelinae    | <i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>    | 7/27/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTculicid1521 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 6/16/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTculicid1536 | Anophelinae    | <i>Anopheles punctipennis</i>    | 6/30/2010       | 5             |
| NEONTculicid1531 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2049 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2050 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2061 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes vexans</i>              | 6/23/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid1538 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex salinarius</i>          | 6/30/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2043 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes cinereus</i>            | 6/9/2010        | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2047 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid1532 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes canadensis</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid1533 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2048 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>          | 6/22/2010       | 6             |
| NEONTculicid2054 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/30/2010       | 7             |

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| BOLD Sample ID   | Subfamily name | Species name                     | Collection date | Trap Location |
|------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| NEONTculicid2051 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/30/2010       | 7             |
| NEONTculicid1516 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 6/9/2010        | 7             |
| NEONTculicid1517 | Culicinae      | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i> | 6/9/2010        | 7             |
| NEONTculicid2056 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/30/2010       | 7             |
| NEONTculicid2052 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/30/2010       | 7             |
| NEONTculicid2068 | Culicinae      | <i>Culex restuans</i>            | 6/9/2010        | 7             |
| NEONTculicid2055 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/30/2010       | 7             |
| NEONTculicid1535 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/29/2010       | 7             |
| NEONTculicid2053 | Culicinae      | <i>Aedes japonicus</i>           | 6/30/2010       | 7             |

## 4.6 Ticks

### 4.6.1 Site-Specific Methods

There was no tick site characterization work done at Harvard Forest. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers, see Appendix A.

## 4.7 Species Reference Lists

A review of the literature for taxonomic lists of interest for each site was conducted prior to field work. In the case of vertebrates that NEON may capture (e.g., herptiles, small mammals), these lists were often required to secure permits. Key references identified in this effort are listed below. Species lists and associated references for small mammals and breeding landbirds can be found in the appendices of the respective protocols (RD[07], RD[08]).

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Darsie Jr., R. F., and R. A. Ward. 2005. Identification and geographical distribution of the mosquitoes of North America, North of Mexico. University Press of Florida, Gainesville.

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Motzkin G. 2003. Vascular Plant Species at Harvard Forest 1992. Harvard Forest Data Archive: HF056.



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## 5 RELOCATABLE SITE 1: BARTLETT EXPERIMENTAL FOREST

The Bartlett Experimental Forest is an actively researched forest; managed portions (30%) reflect a range of forest patch sizes and structural distributions.

Exogenous factors likely to affect forest growth and composition into the future include climate change, increasing regional rates of atmospheric deposition (S, N and Hg), and new invasive species, such as the hemlock woolly adelgid, emerald ash borer, and Asian long horned beetle, whose ranges are likely to expand within the region. Bartlett Experimental Forest also represents the most Northeastern NEON site, and anchors the top of the north-south nitrogen deposition gradient along the eastern-side of the US.

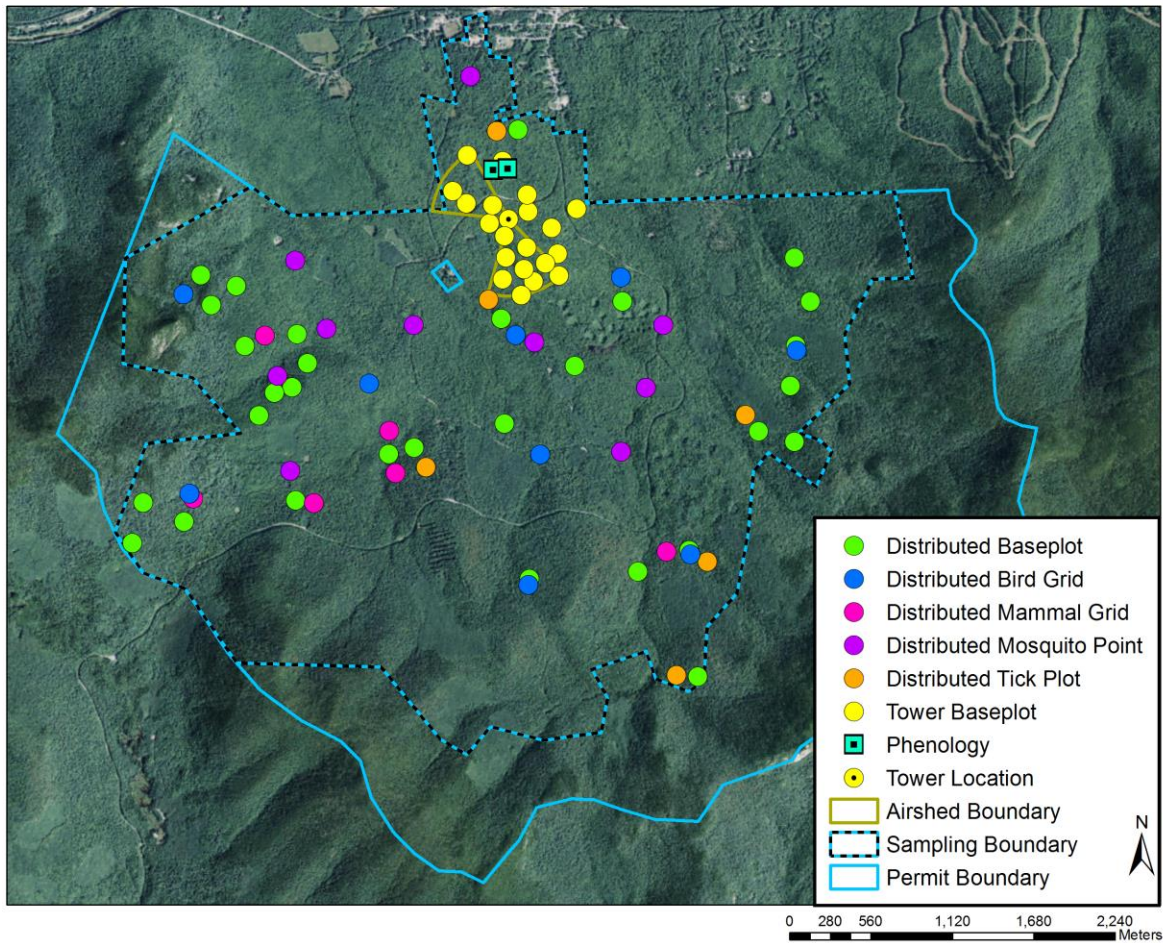
### Key Characteristics:

- Site host: U.S. Forest Service
- Carroll County, New Hampshire
- Area: 23.27km<sup>2</sup>
- Elevation: 232-629m
- Dominant vegetation type: The Bartlett site is primarily Eastern Deciduous, boreal ecotone. The primary forest cover type is the sugar maple-beech-yellow birch type. The upper elevations support stands of spruce (*Picea rubens*) and fir (*Abies balsamea*). Softwoods such as hemlock (*Tsuga canadensis*), balsam fir and spruce are commonly mixed with hardwoods, especially on cool steep slopes or on the poorly drained soils at lower elevations. Although white pine occurs mostly in stands at lower elevations, scattered specimens can be found over a large part of the forest. The site provides the deciduous-to-boreal forest transitional ecotone towards the ecosystems in the North.
- General management: The Bartlett forest has a history of logging dating from colonial times through the beginning of the 20th century. Approximately 70% of the land area has remained uncut since the early 1900s. Natural disturbances include late 19th century fire, beech scale-Nectria complex (beech bark disease) beginning in the 1940s, severe wind disturbance resulting from hurricanes in 1938 and 1954, and a damaging ice storm in 1998.

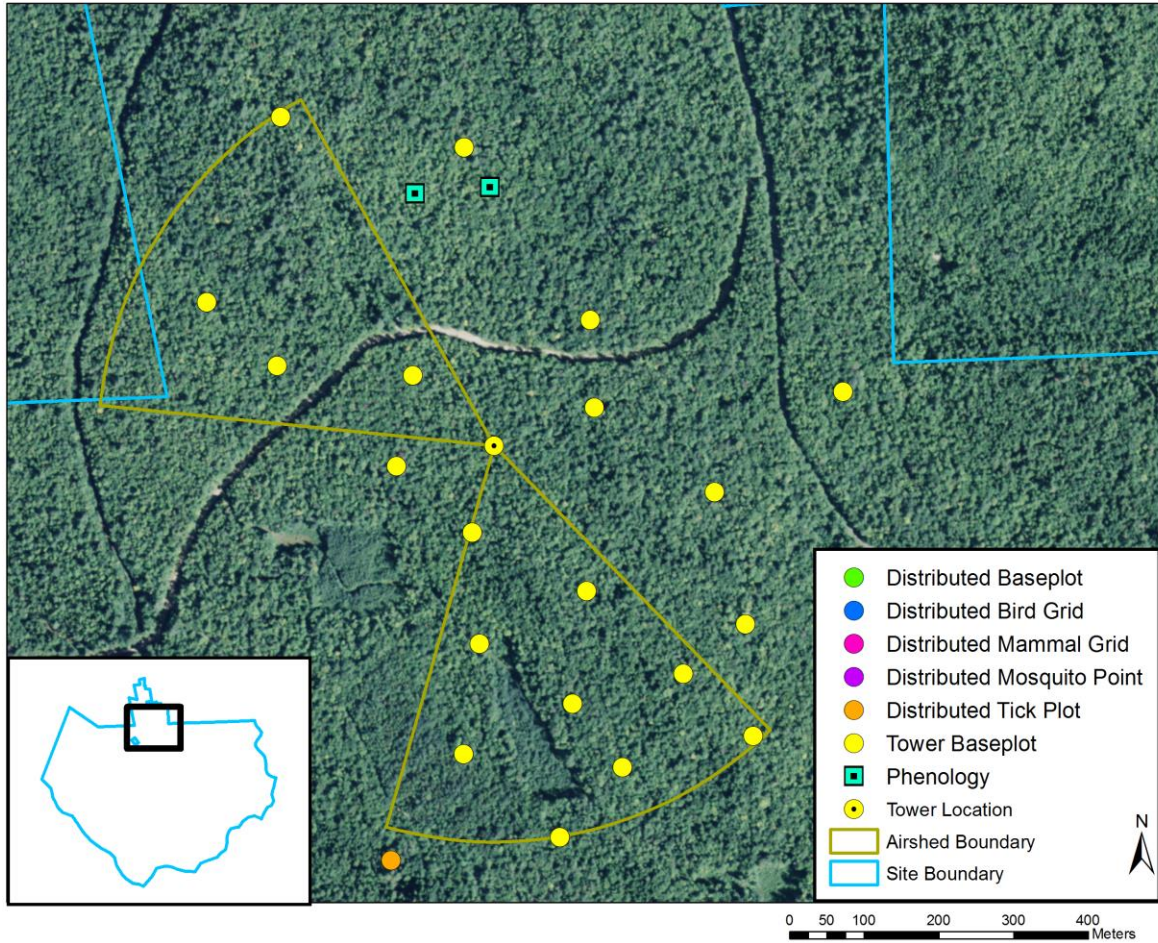
### 5.1 TOS Spatial Sampling Design

TOS plots were allocated at BART according to a spatially balanced and stratified-random design (RD[3]). The 2006 National Land Cover Database (NLCD) was selected for stratification because of the consistent and comparable data availability across the United States. TOS plots that are distributed throughout the site according to the spatial design are hereafter referred to as ‘Distributed Plots’. TOS plots that are

randomly allocated within the airshed of the NEON Terrestrial Instrument System (TIS) tower to collect complementary data are not stratified by NLCD class; these plots are hereafter referred to as ‘Tower Plots’. The maps below depict the plot locations for the first year of NEON sampling. Some plot locations may change over time due to logistics, safety, and science requirements. Please visit the NEON website (<http://www.neonscience.org>) for updated plot locations at each site.



**Figure 6.** Map of the TOS plot locations within the NEON TOS sampling boundary at BART.



**Figure 7.** Map of the airshed area at Bartlett Forest.

More information about the tower airshed can be found in the FIU site characterization reports (RD[04]).

**Table 14.** NLCD Land Cover Classes and Area within the TOS site boundary at BART.

| NLCD Class       | Site Area (km <sup>2</sup> ) | Percent (%) |
|------------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| Mixed Forest     | 7.84                         | 50.19       |
| Deciduous Forest | 5.50                         | 35.22       |
| Evergreen Forest | 1.86                         | 11.92       |

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|                         |     |      |
|-------------------------|-----|------|
| Developed Open Space    | .22 | 1.43 |
| Shrub Scrub             | .09 | 0.6  |
| Grassland Herbaceous    | .05 | 0.33 |
| Woody Wetlands          | .03 | 0.18 |
| Developed Low Intensity | .02 | 0.13 |

**Table 15.** NLCD Land Cover classes and TOS plot numbers at BART.

Note: NLCD land cover classes are not used to stratify Tower Plots.

| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots Established |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Distributed | Base         | Deciduous Forest | 10                          |
| Distributed | Base         | Evergreen Forest | 9                           |
| Distributed | Base         | Mixed Forest     | 7                           |
| Distributed | Base         | Woody Wetland    | 4                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Deciduous Forest | 4                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Evergreen Forest | 3                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Mixed Forest     | 3                           |
| Distributed | Bird         | Woody Wetland    | 2                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Deciduous Forest | 3                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Evergreen Forest | 3                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Mixed Forest     | 2                           |
| Distributed | Mammal       | Woody Wetland    | 0                           |
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Deciduous Forest | 4                           |
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Evergreen Forest | 3                           |

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| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots Established |
|-------------|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Mixed Forest     | 2                           |
| Distributed | Mosquito     | Woody Wetland    | 1                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Deciduous Forest | 2                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Evergreen Forest | 2                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Mixed Forest     | 1                           |
| Distributed | Tick         | Woody Wetland    | 1                           |
| Tower       | Phenology    | NA               | 2                           |
| Tower       | Tower Plot   | NA               | 20                          |

**Table 16.** Number of Distributed Base Plots per NLCD Land Cover Class per protocol at BART.

Distributed Base Plots typically support more than one TOS protocol; ‘Number of Plots’ cannot be added to get total TOS Distributed Base Plot number.

| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | Protocols                | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots |
|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Beetles                  | Deciduous Forest | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Beetles                  | Evergreen Forest | 3               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Beetles                  | Mixed Forest     | 4               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Deciduous Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Evergreen Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry          | Mixed Forest     | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry | Deciduous Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry | Evergreen Forest | 2               |

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| Plot Type   | Plot Subtype | Protocols  | NLCD Class       | Number of Plots |
|-------------|--------------|--|------------------|-----------------|
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry                         | Mixed Forest     | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Deciduous Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | Mixed Forest     | 8               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Deciduous Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | Mixed Forest     | 8               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Deciduous Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | Mixed Forest     | 8               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Deciduous Forest | 9               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Evergreen Forest | 9               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | Mixed Forest     | 12              |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes                                    | Deciduous Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes                                    | Evergreen Forest | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes                                    | Mixed Forest     | 2               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure                             | Deciduous Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure                             | Evergreen Forest | 6               |
| Distributed | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure                             | Mixed Forest     | 8               |

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**Table 17.** Number of Tower Base Plots per protocol at BART.

Tower Base Plots typically support more than one TOS protocol; ‘Number of Plots’ cannot be added to get total TOS Tower Base Plot number.

| Plot Type | Plot Subtype | Protocols  | Number of Plots |
|-----------|--------------|--|-----------------|
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Below Ground Biomass Coring                      | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Biogeochemistry                                  | 4               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Canopy Foliage Chemistry                         | 4               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Coarse Downed Debris                             | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Digital Hemispherical Photos for Leaf Area Index | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Herbaceous Productivity                          | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Litterfall and Fine Woody Debris                 | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Mat-Forming Bryophyte Production                 | 20              |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Plant Diversity                                  | 3               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Soil Microbes                                    | 4               |
| Tower     | Base Plot    | Vegetation Structure                             | 20              |

## 5.2 Belowground Biomass

### 5.2.1 Site-Specific Methods

Belowground biomass characterization data were collected down to 160 cm by NEON staff in August 2013. Since the NEON protocol for long-term, operational sampling of belowground biomass only collects data to a depth of 30cm, the belowground biomass site characterization data are critical for scaling belowground biomass measurements to greater depths; see the TOS Science Design for Plant Biomass, Productivity, and Leaf Area Index (RD[8]) for more information. Samples were collected

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following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]) except a 5.08cm diameter bulk density soil corer was used to extract soil instead of a soil knife. The tables below summarize the belowground biomass site characterization work and more data and information can be found by searching the data product numbers in Appendix A.

### 5.2.2 Results

**Table 18.** BART fine root mass per depth increment (mg/cm<sup>3</sup>)

| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Average Mass per Increment mg/cm <sup>3</sup> | Standard Deviation |
|-------------|-------------|---|--------------------|
| 0           | 10          | 11.12   | 5.25               |
| 10          | 20          | 7.49  | 0.21               |
| 20          | 30          | 5.14  | 4.90               |
| 30          | 40          | 0.83  | 0.55               |
| 40          | 50          | 0.26  | 0.13               |
| 50          | 60          | 0.12  | 0.07               |
| 60          | 70          | 0.18  | 0.10               |
| 70          | 80          | 0.38  | 0.39               |
| 80          | 90          | 0.10  | 0.14               |
| 90          | 100         | 0.21  | 0.19               |
| 100         | 120         | 0.05  | 0.06               |
| 120         | 140         | 0.00  | 0.00               |
| 140         | 160         | 0.01  | 0.01               |

**Table 19.** BART cumulative fine root mass as a function of depth (g/m<sup>2</sup>)

| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Average Mass per Increment g/m <sup>2</sup> | Standard Deviation |
|-------------|-------------|---|--------------------|
| 0           | 10          | 1111.66                                     | 525.02             |



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| Upper Depth | Lower Depth | Average Mass per Increment g/m <sup>2</sup> | Standard Deviation |
|-------------|-------------|---|--------------------|
| 10          | 20          | 1860.66                                     | 526.11             |
| 20          | 30          | 2374.34                                     | 528.15             |
| 30          | 40          | 2457.78                                     | 548.85             |
| 40          | 50          | 2483.63                                     | 556.12             |
| 50          | 60          | 2495.91                                     | 562.28             |
| 60          | 70          | 2513.51                                     | 571.04             |
| 70          | 80          | 2551.36                                     | 588.96             |
| 80          | 90          | 2561.25                                     | 593.45             |
| 90          | 100         | 2582.53                                     | 594.84             |
| 100         | 120         | 2592.58                                     | 582.14             |
| 120         | 140         | 2593.13                                     | 582.47             |
| 140         | 160         | 2594.09                                     | 580.90             |

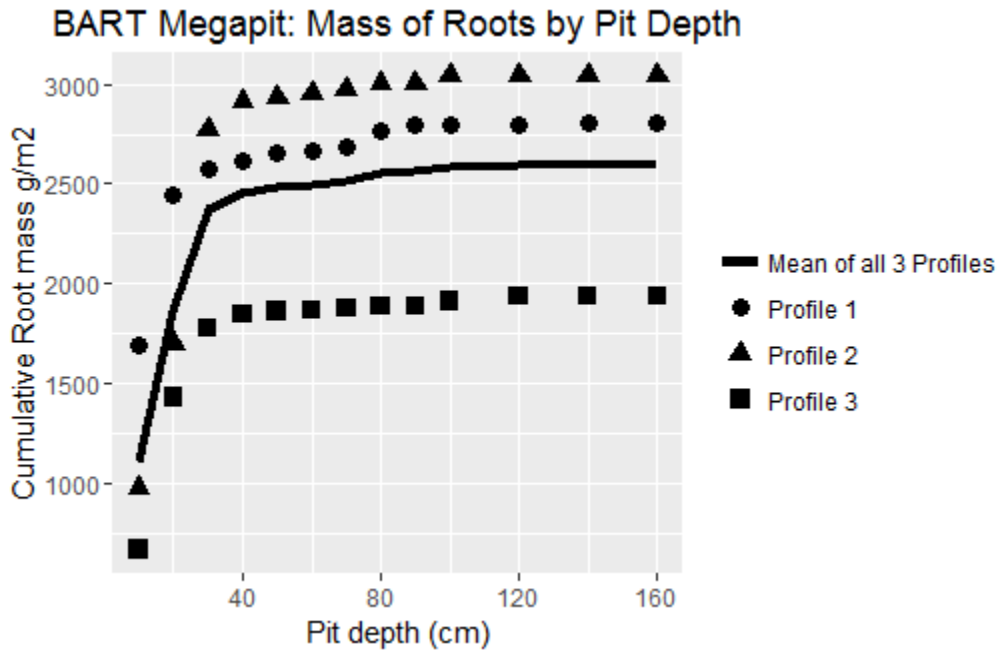


Figure 8. BART Cumulative Root Mass by Pit Depth

Table 20. BART fine root biomass sampling summary data

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Total Pit Depth                                    | 160 cm  |
| Total Cumulative Mass at 30cm (g/m <sup>2</sup> )  | 2374.34 |
| Total Cumulative Mass at 100cm (g/m <sup>2</sup> ) | 2582.53 |
| Total Cumulative Mass (g/m <sup>2</sup> )          | 2594.09 |

### 5.3 Plant Characterization and Phenology Species Selection

#### 5.3.1 Site-Specific Methods

Plant characterization data were collected by an external contractor during the summer of 2013 following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]). For more information on this protocol and data product numbers, see Appendix A.

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### 5.3.2 Results

**Table 21.** Site Plant Characterization and Phenology Species Summary at BART

Note: Mean canopy area is collected for shrubs. Mean at breast height (ABH) diameter is collected for trees. Taxon IDs and scientific names are based on the USDA Plants database (plants.usda.gov).

| Taxon ID | Scientific Name  | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|--|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| FAGR     | <i>Fagus grandifolia</i> Ehrh.                         | 1    | 40           | N/A                                 | 0.88  |
| TSCA     | <i>Tsuga canadensis</i> (L.)                           | 2    | 5            | 0.018                               | 7.89  |
| ACRU     | <i>Acer rubrum</i> L.                                  | 3    | <1           | 0.011                               | 7.9   |
| BEAL2    | <i>Betula alleghaniensis</i> Britton                   | 4    | 2            | N/A                                 | 2.55  |
| FRAM2    | <i>Fraxinus americana</i> L.                           | 5    | <1           | N/A                                 | 1.48  |
| ACSAS    | <i>Acer saccharum</i> Marshall var. <i>saccharum</i>   | 6    | N/A          | N/A                                 | 1.22  |
| PIRU     | <i>Picea rubens</i> Sarg.                              | 7    | 2            | 0                                   | 0.36  |
| ACPE     | <i>Acer pensylvanicum</i> L.                           | 8    | 2            | N/A                                 | 0.05  |
| VILA11   | <i>Viburnum lantanoides</i> Michx.                     | 9    | 2            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| DRIN5    | <i>Dryopteris intermedia</i> (Muhl. ex Willd.) A. Gray | 10   | 1            | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PIST     | <i>Pinus strobus</i> L.                                | 11   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.45  |
| BEPA     | <i>Betula papyrifera</i> Marshall                      | 13   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.3   |
| ACSA3    | <i>Acer saccharum</i> Marshall                         | 15   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| HAVI4    | <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> L.                         | 16   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0   |
| ABBA     | <i>Abies balsamea</i> (L.) Mill.                       | 17   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.05  |
| POTR5    | <i>Populus tremuloides</i> Michx.                      | 18   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.17  |

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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                                    | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|--|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| MEVI     | <i>Medeola virginiana</i> L.                       | 19   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TACA7    | <i>Taxus canadensis</i> Marshall                   | 20   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TIAM     | <i>Tilia americana</i> L.                          | 21   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.07  |
| PIRE     | <i>Pinus resinosa</i> Aiton                        | 22   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.08  |
| OSCL2    | <i>Osmunda claytoniana</i> L.                      | 24   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| DEPU2    | <i>Dennstaedtia punctilobula</i> (Michx.) T. Moore | 25   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MIRE     | <i>Mitchella repens</i> L.                         | 27   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MACA4    | <i>Maianthemum canadense</i> Desf.                 | 28   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| FRNI     | <i>Fraxinus nigra</i> Marshall                     | 29   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.01  |
| POGR4    | <i>Populus grandidentata</i> Michx.                | 30   | N/A          | N/A                                 | 0.05  |
| RUPU     | <i>Rubus pubescens</i> Raf.                        | 31   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ATFI     | <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> (L.) Roth             | 32   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TRUN     | <i>Trillium undulatum</i> Willd.                   | 33   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| QURU     | <i>Quercus rubra</i> L.                            | 34   | <1           | N/A                                 | 0.03  |
| UVSE     | <i>Uvularia sessilifolia</i> L.                    | 35   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ARNU2    | <i>Aralia nudicaulis</i> L.                        | 36   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TRBO2    | <i>Trientalis borealis</i> Raf.                    | 37   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PRSE2    | <i>Prunus serotina</i> Ehrh.                       | 38   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MOUN3    | <i>Monotropa uniflora</i> L.                       | 39   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| OXMO     | <i>Oxalis montana</i> Raf.                         | 39   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |

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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                                   | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|---|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| CLBO3    | <i>Clintonia borealis</i> (Aiton) Raf.            | 41   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LYOB     | <i>Lycopodium obscurum</i> L.                     | 41   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PYEL     | <i>Pyrola elliptica</i> Nutt.                     | 41   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| GAPR2    | <i>Gaultheria procumbens</i> L.                   | 45   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| HULU2    | <i>Huperzia lucidula</i> (Michx.) Trevis.         | 46   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| VICU     | <i>Viola cucullata</i> Aiton                      | 46   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| DARE     | <i>Dalibarda repens</i> L.                        | 48   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LYAN2    | <i>Lycopodium annotinum</i> L.                    | 49   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PTAQ     | <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> (L.) Kuhn              | 50   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| RUOC     | <i>Rubus occidentalis</i> L.                      | 50   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| THNO     | <i>Thelypteris noveboracensis</i> (L.)<br>Nieuwl. | 50   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ACSP2    | <i>Acer spicatum</i> Lam.                         | 53   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| COTR2    | <i>Coptis trifolia</i> (L.) Salisb.               | 53   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| EPVI2    | <i>Epifagus virginiana</i> (L.) W.P.C.<br>Barton  | 53   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TORA2    | <i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> (L.)<br>Kuntze      | 53   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CHUM     | <i>Chimaphila umbellata</i> (L.) W.P.C.<br>Barton | 57   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LYCL     | <i>Lycopodium clavatum</i> L.                     | 57   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| TICO     | <i>Tiarella cordifolia</i> L.                     | 57   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |

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| Taxon ID | Scientific Name                                       | Rank | Mean % Cover | Mean Canopy Area per m <sup>2</sup> | Mean ABH cm <sup>2</sup> per m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------|---|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| VEVI     | <i>Veratrum viride</i> Aiton                          | 57   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| VINU     | <i>Viburnum nudum</i> L.                              | 57   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ILVE     | <i>Ilex verticillata</i> (L.) A. Gray                 | 62   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ARTR     | <i>Arisaema triphyllum</i> (L.) Schott                | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CASC13   | <i>Carex scabrata</i> Schwein.                        | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CIAL     | <i>Circaea alpina</i> L.                              | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| GOTE     | <i>Goodyera tessellata</i> Lodd.                      | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LYCO3    | <i>Lycopodium complanatum</i> L.                      | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| MARA7    | <i>Maianthemum racemosum</i> (L.)<br>Link             | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| OCAC     | <i>Oclemena acuminata</i> (Michx.)<br>Greene          | 63   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| BIDEN    | <i>Bidens</i> sp.                                     | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CHGL2    | <i>Chelone glabra</i> L.                              | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| CYAC3    | <i>Cypripedium acaule</i> Aiton                       | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LOCA7    | <i>Lonicera canadensis</i> W. Bartram<br>ex Marshall  | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| LYUN     | <i>Lycopus uniflorus</i> Michx.                       | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| OSCI     | <i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i> L.                          | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PLDI3    | <i>Platanthera dilatata</i> (Pursh) Lindl.<br>ex Beck | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| POPU5    | <i>Polygonum punctatum</i> Elliott                    | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |

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|----------|---|------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| ULAM     | <i>Ulmus americana</i> L.   | 70   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| AMELA    | <i>Amelanchier</i> sp.  | 79   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ACSA2    | <i>Acer saccharinum</i> L.  | 80   | <1           | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ATFIA    | <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> (L.) Roth ssp. <i>angustum</i> (Willd.) R.T. Clausen         | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ATFIA    | <i>Athyrium filix-femina</i> (L.) Roth ssp. <i>angustum</i> (Willd.) R.T. Clausen         | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| FRAXI    | <i>Fraxinus</i> sp.   | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| FRPE     | <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> Marshall  | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| ONSE     | <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> L.  | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| OSCIC    | <i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i> L. var. <i>cinnamomea</i>                                       | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PINACE   | <i>Pinaceae</i> sp.   | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |
| PTAQL    | <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i> (L.) Kuhn var. <i>latiusculum</i> (Desv.) Underw. ex A. Heller | 81   | N/A          | N/A                                 | N/A   |

**Table 22.** Per Plot Breakdown of Species Richness, Diversity, and Herbaceous Cover at BART.

| Plot ID | Species Richness | Shannon Diversity Index | % Total Herbaceous Cover |
|---------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1099    | 18               | 2.02                    | 39                       |
| 1163    | 12               | 1.77                    | 29                       |
| 2043    | 22               | 2.74                    | 31                       |
| 20875   | 19               | 2.21                    | 2                        |

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| Plot ID | Species Richness | Shannon Diversity Index | % Total Herbaceous Cover |
|---------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2379    | 6                | 1.64                    | 8                        |
| 2443    | 15               | 2.30                    | 24                       |
| 267     | 9                | 2.20                    | 9                        |
| 2763    | 34               | 2.89                    | 78                       |
| 2827    | 4                | 1.10                    | 8                        |
| 2891    | 13               | 2.50                    | 15                       |
| 331     | 6                | 1.79                    | 6                        |
| 3467    | 9                | 1.95                    | 15                       |
| 3659    | 29               | 3.03                    | 48                       |
| 40587   | 9                | 2.02                    | 13                       |
| 4091    | 16               | 2.77                    | 16                       |
| 587     | 15               | 2.32                    | 35                       |
| 651     | 7                | 1.52                    | 13                       |
| 75      | 19               | 2.93                    | 20                       |
| 779     | 6                | 1.71                    | 8                        |
| 8011    | 15               | 2.69                    | 16                       |

## 5.4 Beetles

### 5.4.1 Site-Specific Methods

Beetle site characterization was conducted in June 2013 by NEON staff following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]). Beetle site characterization data was collected to start site level teaching collections. All samples were pooled before sending to a taxonomist for identification. For sequencing data generated as a result of these efforts, visit the Barcode of Life



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Datasystems (BOLD) <http://www.boldsystems.org/>. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers see Appendix A.

## 5.4.2 Results

**Table 23.** BART (Family Carabidae) Beetle Identification Results

| BOLD individual ID | genus               | species              | sex | Collection Date |
|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----|-----------------|
| NEONTcarabid8099   | <i>Cymindis</i>     | <i>cribricollis</i>  | m   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8100   | <i>Notiophilus</i>  | <i>aeneus</i>        | m   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8102   | <i>Platynus</i>     | <i>decentis</i>      | m   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8092   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8093   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | m   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8095   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | m   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8096   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8097   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8098   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8104   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>coracinus</i>     | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8101   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>pensylvanicus</i> | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8103   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>pensylvanicus</i> | f   | 6/15/2013       |
| NEONTcarabid8094   | <i>Pterostichus</i> | <i>rostratus</i>     | m   | 6/15/2013       |

## 5.5 Mosquitoes

### 5.5.1 Site-Specific Methods

Mosquito site characterization was conducted in June 2013 by NEON staff following the standard methods outlined in TOS Site Characterization Methods (RD[6]) to test protocol methods and start site level species lists. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers, see Appendix A. All

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samples were pooled before sending to a taxonomist for identification. No pathogen testing was performed.

## 5.5.2 Results

**Table 24.** BART Mosquito (Family Culicidae, subfamily Culicinae) Identification Results

| vialID             | Scientific Name                    | sex    | Individual Count | Vial ID Percent Not Counted |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Aedes canadensis canadensis</i> | female | 116              | 81.3                        |
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Aedes communis</i>              | female | 122              | 81.3                        |
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Aedes excrucians</i>            | female | 33               | 81.3                        |
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Aedes vexans</i>                | female | 2                | 81.3                        |
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Aedes</i> spp.                  | female | 11               | 81.3                        |
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Aedes</i> spp.                  | male   | 6                | 81.3                        |
| BART.June2013.SC.1 | <i>Coquillettidia perturbans</i>   | female | 10               | 81.3                        |

## 5.6 Ticks

### 5.6.1 Site-Specific Methods

Tick drags were conducted at Bartlett in the summer of 2013 to test protocol methods and ticks were collected for identification. Dragging was conducted approximately 20 km from BART at Silver Lake, New Hampshire. No pathogen sampling was conducted. For more information on this protocol and data product numbers, see Appendix A.

### 5.6.2 Results

**Table 25.** BART Tick (Family: Ixodidae) Identification Results

| Subfamily | Genus | Species | Number Adult Male | Number Adult Female |
|-----------|-------|---------|-------------------|---------------------|
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|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| <i>Rhipicephalinae</i> | <i>Dermacentor</i> | <i>variabilis</i> | 4 | 6 |
| <i>Ixodinae</i>        | <i>Ixodes</i>      | <i>scapularis</i> | 0 | 3 |

## 5.7 Species Reference Lists

A review of the literature for taxonomic lists of interest for each site was conducted prior to field work. In the case of vertebrates that NEON may capture (e.g., herptiles, small mammals), these lists were often required to secure permits. Key references identified in this effort are listed below. Species lists and associated references for small mammals and breeding landbirds can be found in the appendices of the respective protocols (RD[07], RD[08]).

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## 8 APPENDIX A: DATA PRODUCT NUMBERS

For more information on the sampling protocols and the latest observatory data visit <http://data.neonscience.org/data-product-catalog> and search by name or code number.

| Name                               | Description   | Identification Code     |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Root sampling (megapit)            | Fine root biomass in 10cm increments (first 1m depth) and 20cm increments (from 1m to 2m depth) from soil pit sampling  | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10066 |
| Soil physical properties (Megapit) | Soil taxonomy, horizon names, horizon depths, as well as soil bulk density, porosity, texture (sand, silt, and clay content) in the $\leq 2$ mm soil fraction for each soil horizon. Data were derived from a sampling location expected to be representative of the area where the Instrumented Soil Plots per site are located and were collected once during site construction. Also see distributed soil data products. | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.00096 |
| Soil chemical properties (Megapit) | Total content of a range of chemical elements, pH, and electrical conductivity in the $\leq 2$ mm soil fraction for each soil horizon. Data were derived from a sampling location expected to be representative of the area where the Instrumented Soil Plots per site are located and were collected once during site construction. Also see distributed soil data products.   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.00097 |
| Woody plant vegetation structure   | Structure measurements, including height, canopy diameter, and stem diameter, as well as mapped position of individual woody plants   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10098 |
| Plant presence and percent cover   | Plant species presence as observed in multi-scale plots: species and associated percent cover at 1-m <sup>2</sup> and plant species presence at 10-m <sup>2</sup> , 100-m <sup>2</sup> and 400-m <sup>2</sup>   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10058 |

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| Name  | Description  | Identification Code      |
|---|--|--------------------------|
| Plant phenology observations                  | Phenophase status and intensity of tagged plants   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10055  |
| Plant foliar stable isotopes                  | Field collection metadata describing the sampling of sun-lit canopy foliar tissues for stable isotope compositions. Also includes raw data returned from the laboratory. | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10053  |
| Plant foliar physical and chemical properties | Plant sun-lit canopy foliar physical (e.g., leaf mass per area) and chemical properties reported at the level of the individual.   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10026  |
| Non-herbaceous perennial vegetation structure | Field measurements of individual non-herbaceous perennial plants (e.g. cacti, ferns)   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10045. |
| Ground beetles sampled from pitfall traps     | Taxonomically identified ground beetles and the plots and times from which they were collected.  | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10022  |
| Ground beetle sequences DNA barcode           | CO1 DNA sequences from select ground beetles   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10020  |
| Mosquitoes sampled from CO2traps              | Taxonomically identified mosquitoes and the plots and times from which they were collected   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10043  |
| Mosquito-borne                                | Presence/absence of a pathogen in a single mosquito sample (pool)  | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10041  |

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| <b>Name</b>                       | <b>Description</b>  | <b>Identification Code</b> |
|-----------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| pathogen status                   |   |                            |
| Mosquito sequences<br>DNA barcode | CO1 DNA sequences from select mosquitoes  | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10038    |
| Ticks sampled using drag cloths   | Abundance and density of ticks collected by drag and/or flag sampling (by species and/or lifestage) | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10093    |
| Tick-borne pathogen status        | Presence/absence of a pathogen in each single tick sample   | NEON.DOM.SITE.DP1.10092    |