

### **Somerset Integrated Resource Project Story Map (Interactive Web Map)**

Story Maps let you combine maps with narrative text and images to tell a story online. They can be particularly useful with complex stories. The Somerset Integrated Resource Project is one such story and the Forest Service has created a story map for it called the “Green Mountain National Forest Somerset Integrated Resource Project Story Map”. The story setting is the geography around Somerset Reservoir, including the reservoir itself, Grout Pond, Deerfield Ridge, Mount Snow Ski Resort, and the Appalachian Trail. In that geography, a wide variety of management activities are proposed, divided into “resource” sections or chapters.

When you click the link to the story map, you will see it is organized with a set of tabs across the top, which introduce you to the project, describe the process used to develop the proposed activities, describe changes made after public scoping of the original proposal, summarize the proposed activities by resource area with maps, and then invite viewers to comment on the proposals. The tab for submitting comments is called “Leave A Comment”. Just click on the tab, click on “Proceed As Guest”, and it opens up one map with all the proposals on it. You will be able to zoom around in the map and click on proposals to see what they are.

When you’re ready to tell us your concerns or interests – your part of the story – just click “Submit A Comment” in the lower right of the screen to start the process. It is that easy!

The Somerset Integrated Resource Project interactive web map and specific instructions for its use can be found here:

<https://usfs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=f7d0d359c9894ec2bd242cc7d4208a62>