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**Monadnock Conservancy adds land protection staff**

KEENE, N.H. — Raul “Rocci” Aguirre has joined the Monadnock Conservancy as a conservation project manager.

His primary responsibilities with the Monadnock Conservancy will focus on initiating, managing and completing conservation easement and fee-land acquisition projects.

Previously, Aguirre was director of land protection for the Finger Lakes Land Trust in Ithaca, N.Y. He has 15 years of experience within the conservation and environmental community, including working with federal land management agencies and various nonprofit conservation organizations such as Trout Unlimited.

Aguirre has a Bachelor of Science in recreation and leisure studies and a Bachelor of Arts in history. He is currently a master’s degree candidate in Antioch University of New England’s Resource Management and Conservation program. An avid fly-fisherman and outdoorsman, Aguirre has recently relocated from Ellenville, N.Y., to Harrisville, N.H.

**About the Monadnock Conservancy**

Founded in 1989, the Monadnock Conservancy is the only land trust dedicated exclusively to the 35 towns of the Monadnock Region in southwestern New Hampshire. Its mission is to identify, promote and actively seek protection of significant natural, aesthetic and historic resources in the area; and to monitor and enforce the protection of lands in the trust. Based in Keene, N.H., the Conservancy has protected 15,000 acres of forest, farmland, shoreline, wetlands, wildlife habitat and recreation trails in the region. For more information, visit [www.MonadnockConservancy.org](http://www.MonadnockConservancy.org).

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