

## PROPOSED STATE RULES

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### **ANR Lands Management Planning Rule.**

**Vermont Proposed Rule: 26P010**

**AGENCY:** Agency of Natural Resources

**CONCISE SUMMARY:** The purpose of this ANR Lands Management Rule is to codify ANR's land management planning framework and process, and to set forth the requirements for public input related to land management planning. The proposed rule consolidates existing policy and procedure; proposes an update to the planning framework that formalizes a category of routine management activities (Universal Management Actions); creates a new "Statewide Plan;" and establishes two new land classifications that prioritize resource protection and support development of old forest conditions. This proposed rule will provide clarity to the public regarding the process by which the Departments plan for and manage ANR lands and how the public can provide input in the process.

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