



# UNIVERSITY of NEW HAMPSHIRE

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Dr. John E. Pike  
Dean and Director  
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Dear John,

Having read the UNH Cooperative Extension Strategic Plan for 2007-2012, we are happy to officially endorse the Plan and commend you and the entire Cooperative Extension community for this forward looking articulation of your mission, vision, and goals.

The Plan is grounded in the real challenges faced by New Hampshire's rural and urban communities, the changing nature of sustainable agriculture and marine resources in our region, and the complex needs of families. The Plan is closely aligned with the University's Academic Plan and it reflects the core land, sea, and space grant mission of the University. We especially appreciate the strong emphasis in the Plan on partnerships between Cooperative Extension offices and our academic programs. The increasing use of joint and affiliate appointments, collaborative research, and student placement in Extension projects will be mutually beneficial.

We place great value on the work of Cooperative Extension throughout the state. We appreciate the ways in which the organization helps to make the resources of the University accessible to New Hampshire's citizens. We wish you and your staff all the best as you work to realize the goals of this Plan in the coming years.

Sincerely,

J. Bonnie Newman  
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