



WHY IS ADIRONDACK WILD IN COURT OVER MINING IN WILDERNESS? WASN'T ALL THAT SETTLED BY THE NYCO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT? **No.**



Large basswood, *Tilia Americana*, on Lot 8. Photo © Dan Plumley



Dr. Patrick samples vernal pool. Photo © Dan Plumley

Icehouse Pond. Photo © Ken Rimany

HERE'S WHY:

- Lot 8 is still public Forest Preserve Wilderness. Exploring for minerals may result in up to 1254 trees cut, up to 21 drilling pads constructed, with motors, lights and noise pollution.
- The State failed to acknowledge even one potential adverse environmental impact from all this activity. An environmental Impact statement is needed.
- The State conducted no comprehensive ecological assessment of Lot 8. Our coalition found large trees, magnificent forests, protected plants and sensitive amphibians.
- The vote did not repeal other laws protective of Wilderness. The State says it did and that it can choose what laws to follow. That's arbitrary. The courts must resolve this.
- The Legislature failed to pass a law that would legislate how NYCO Minerals explores without excessive damage to the Wilderness resource. We support a careful, legislated process.

WHAT WE ARE SAYING TO NEW YORK STATE AGENCIES:

Respect or amend the laws - Be open and transparent - There is no rush - Jobs are not at stake.
NYCO has years of mineral reserves on its own lands to work with.

We welcome support for our efforts. Go to www.adirondackwild.org. Thank you.

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