

## Sample Email to Friends re: Question #2

**Subject:** Please Vote Yes on Question #2 to Protect Your Public Lands

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Voting YES on Question #2 will help protect your state parks, forests, state-owned farmlands, and other valuable public lands.

Question #2 is necessary because every year the CT General Assembly sells, swaps, and gives away your state-owned public lands without any requirement for obtaining public input. This often happens at the very end of the legislative session with no transparency.

Voting YES would require a public hearing and a 2/3 vote before valuable public lands like state parks, forests, and state-owned farmlands could be sold, swapped, or given away by the General Assembly. Other less valuable public lands would only require a simple majority vote.

The only way to require that the public can always provide public input BEFORE public lands are lost is by amending the state constitution. Maine, Massachusetts, and New York all have provisions in their state constitutions that protect public lands, and it's time for Connecticut to catch up!

I hope you can agree that greater transparency with your public lands makes sense, and I hope you will vote YES on Question #2 on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

[Go here for more information.](#)

Sincerely,