



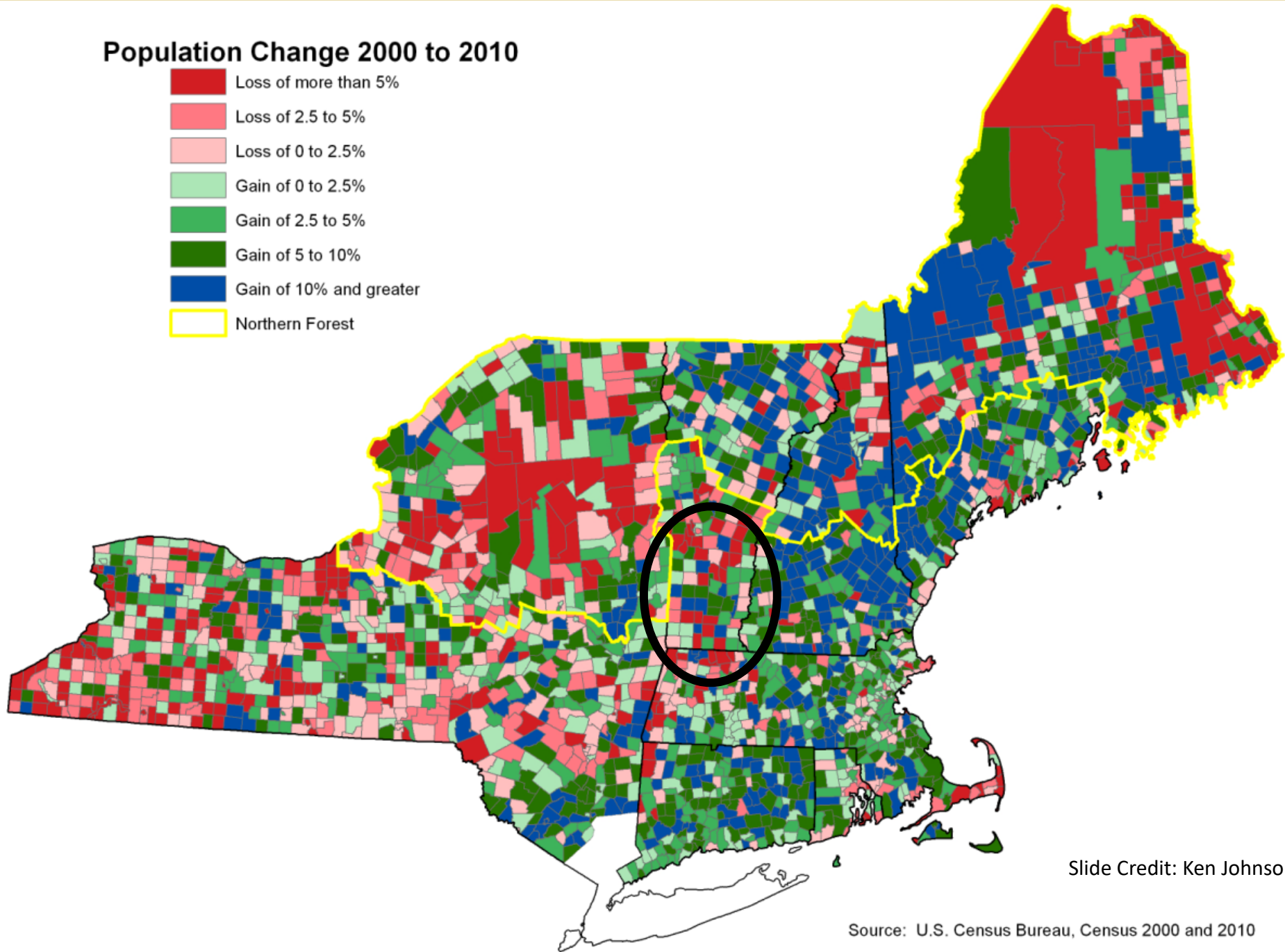
LIVE THE NEW FOREST FUTURE

Rethinking Rural Economic Development

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Population Change 2000 to 2010

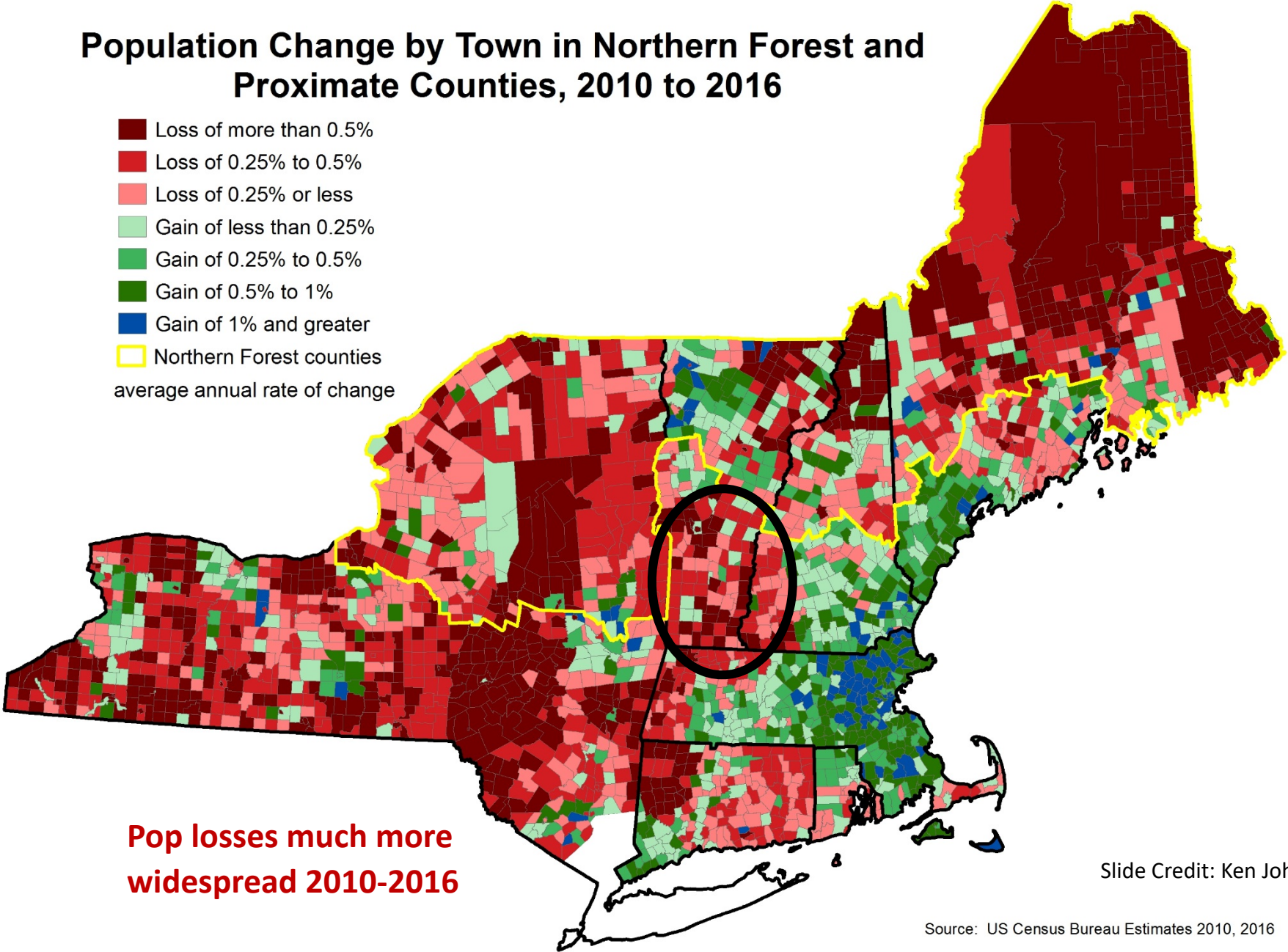


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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and 2010

Population Change by Town in Northern Forest and Proximate Counties, 2010 to 2016

- Loss of more than 0.5%
- Loss of 0.25% to 0.5%
- Loss of 0.25% or less
- Gain of less than 0.25%
- Gain of 0.25% to 0.5%
- Gain of 0.5% to 1%
- Gain of 1% and greater
- Northern Forest counties
average annual rate of change

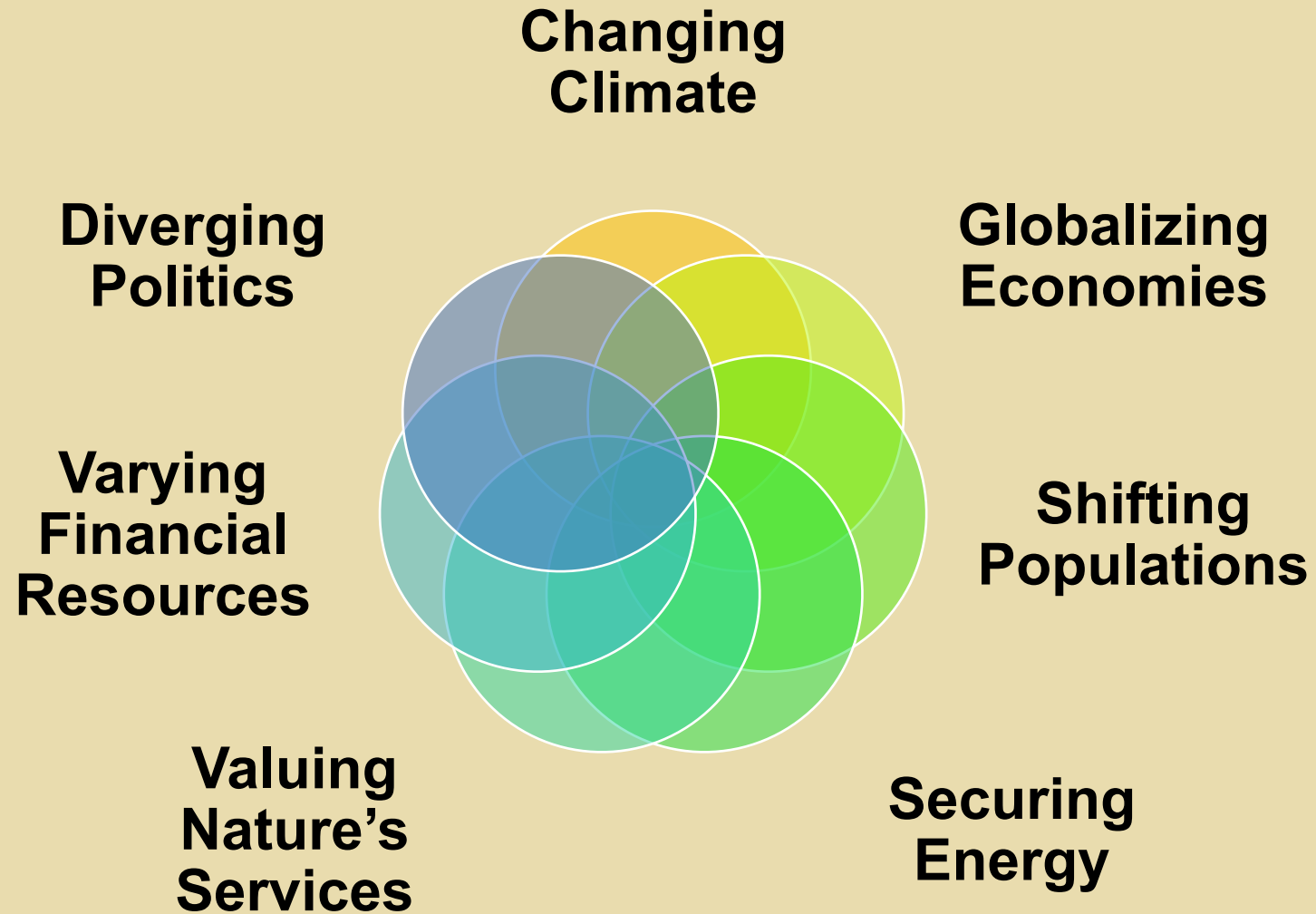


Pop losses much more widespread 2010-2016

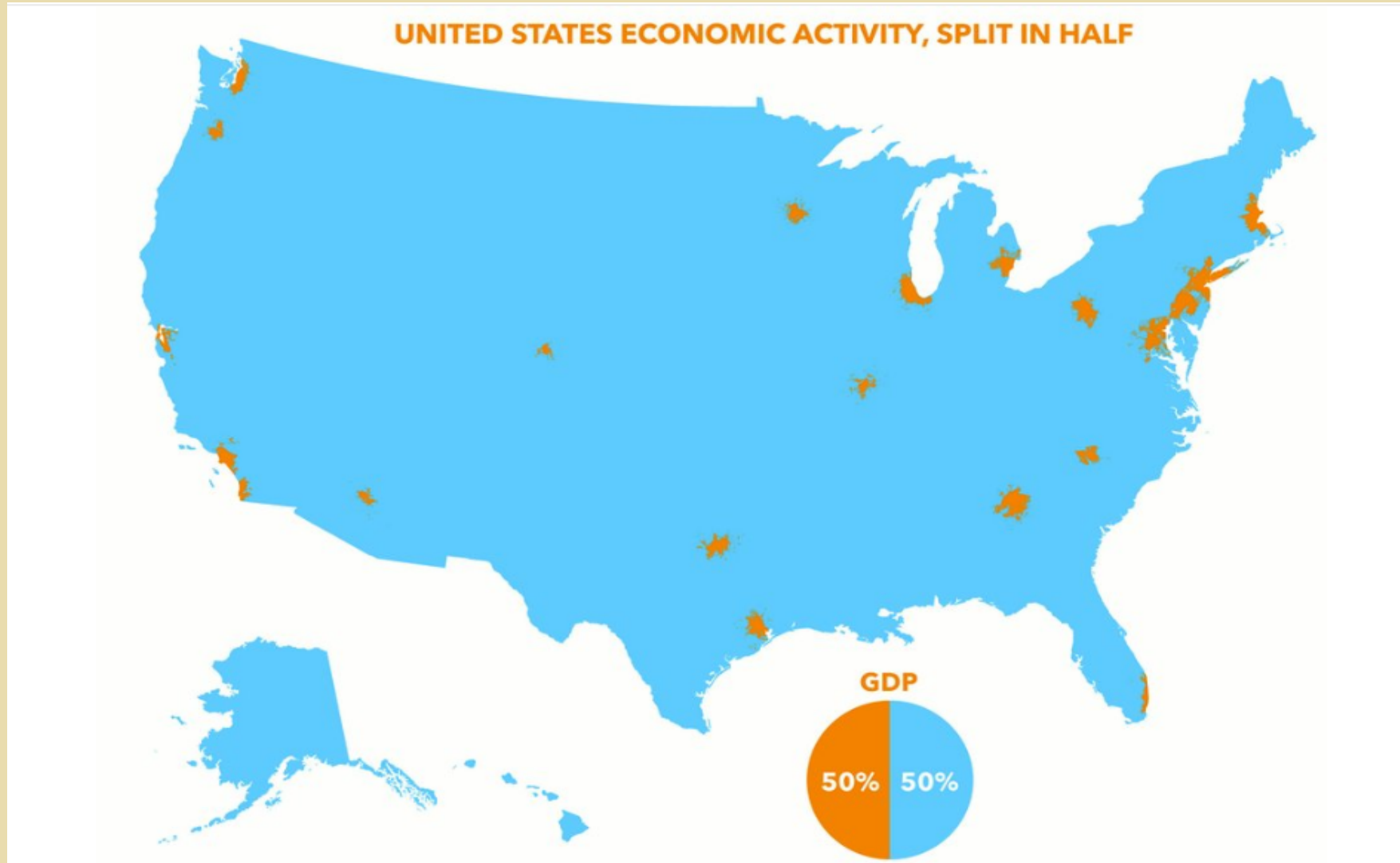
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GLOBAL FORCES



⌘ ECONOMIC INVESTMENT





MAINE

CANADA

VERMONT

NEW HAMPSHIRE

NEW YORK

ATLANTIC OCEAN

Clayton Lake

Presque Isle

Millinocket

Jackman

Greenville

Grand Lake Stream

Bangor

Machias

Rangeley

Newport

Colebrook

Farmington

St. Albans

Berlin

*AUGUSTA

Plattsburgh

Potsdam

Burlington

MONTPELIER

Lincoln

Saranac Lake

Watertown

Long Lake

Old Forge

Glens Falls

*CONCORD



The Northern Forest Center is a **regional innovation and investment partner creating rural vibrancy** by connecting people, economy and the forest landscape.

↑↑ NORTHERN FOREST CENTER PROGRAM STRATEGY



STRENGTHEN RURAL COMMUNITIES

Invest in downtown infrastructure, high-speed broadband, real-estate redevelopment.



GROW FOREST BASED BUSINESSES

Invest in emerging technologies, activities and markets such as renewable heat, mass timber, innovative wood products, carbon markets and outdoor recreation infrastructure.



DEEPEN FOREST STEWARDSHIP

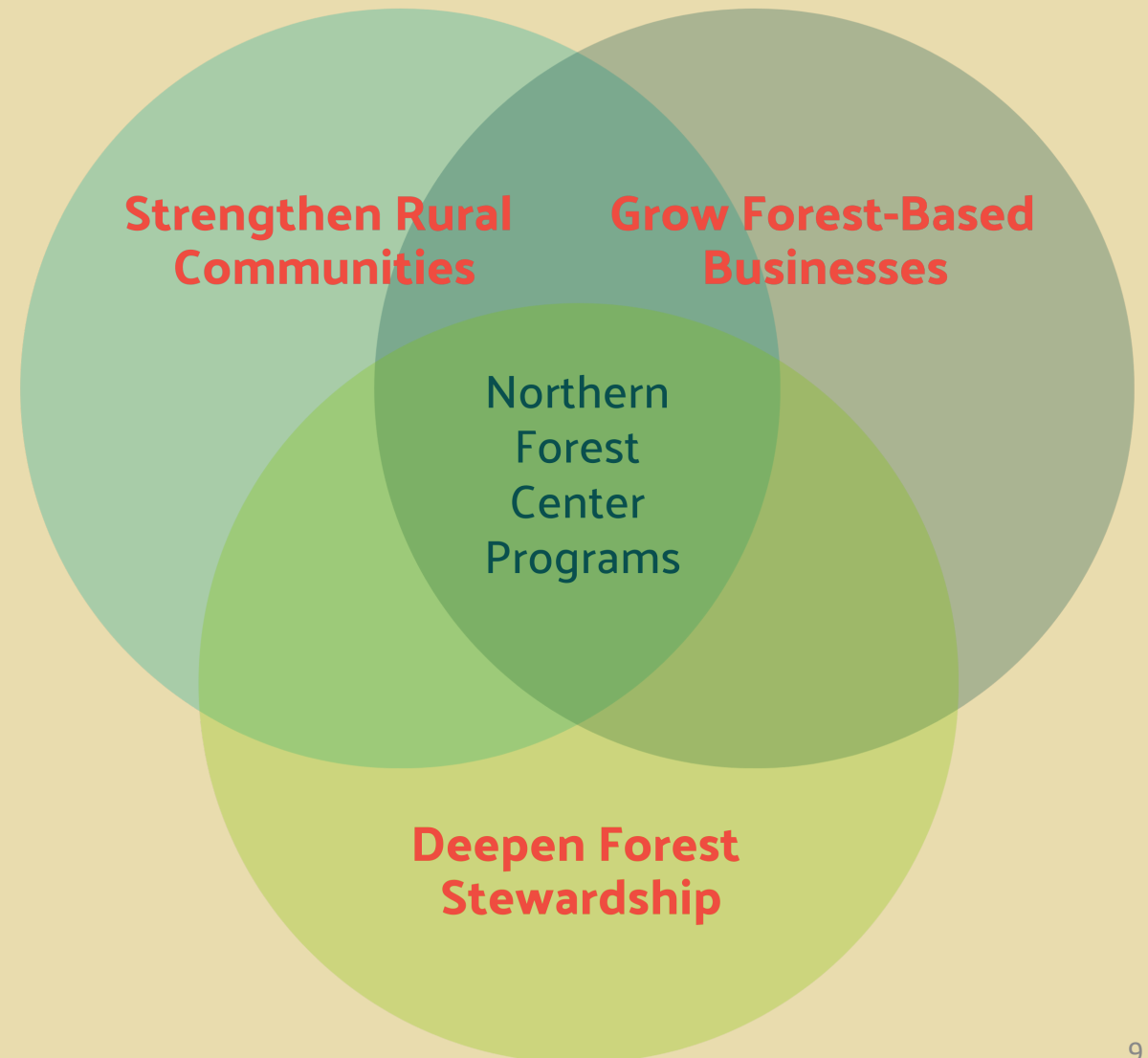
Invest in community-owned forests and other forest conservation strategies.

⚡ THE NORTHERN FOREST CENTER'S INTEGRATED APPROACH

UNIQUE VALUE PROPOSITION

The Center is the only regional organization working across economic, community and conservation disciplines to actively position the Northern Forest for economic prosperity and ecological resilience.

Our programs seek to integrate elements of all of three strategy areas.



⤴ NORTHERN FOREST CENTER BELIEFS

WE BELIEVE IN:

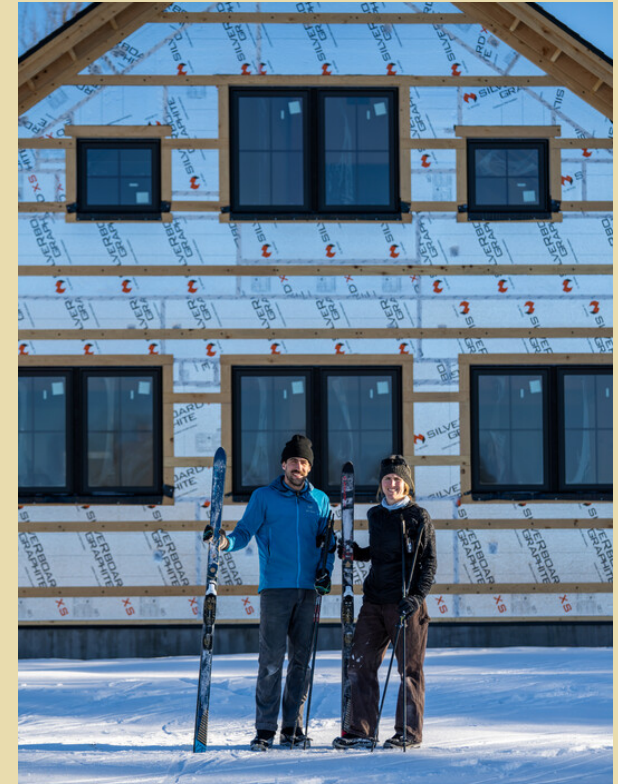
- The New Forest Future
- Bold, adaptive leadership
- The value of welcoming and Inclusive communities
- Widely shared opportunity
- Persistence

COMMUNITY INVESTMENT STRATEGY





⚡ INVESTMENT STRATEGY: LANCASTER, NH



⚡ IMPACT INVESTMENT: PJ NOYES BUILDING









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⤴ LIFE AS WE MAKE IT



⤴ TENSIONS TO MANAGE



⤴ GETTING THERE



⤴ THANK YOU



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