



ASPEN FOREST



SOUTHEAST CORNER



Red-sided Gartersnake
(*Thamnophis sirtalis parietalis*)



Tent Caterpillar (*Malacosoma* spp.)



Pileated Woodpecker
(*Dryocopus pileatus*)

Well managed natural forests almost always provide higher quality water. Because of the amount of leaf litter on the forest floor, there is less sediment and fewer pollutants, than water from other catchments. Forests also play a major role in watershed protection, oxygen increase, nutrient redistribution and they provide habitat for the abundance of plants and wildlife found there.



Ruffed Grouse (*Bonasa umbellus*)



Porcupine (*Erethizon dorsatum*)



Red Squirrel
(*Tamiasciurus hudsonicus*)