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July 14th 2010: Biomass Power - Bad for Rivers, Forests, Air Quality and Carbon Emissions

Mary S Booth, PhD ecologist tells of how wood-burning electric biomass generators were found to be an answer, good for the nation's carbon-footprint as well as a cleaner energy source than fossil fuels. Massachusetts sought to add 135 megawatts of electricity. Into the permitting process went three new biomass plants, in Springfield, Russell (Westfield River), and Greenfield (Deerfield River). The Ocean River Institute got involved defending taking & warming of water in a coldstream salmon river, the Westfield (oceanriver dot org). Meanwhile, Mary researched the impacts on Massachusetts for

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