

STUDENTS PLAY A LEAD ROLE

Our story continues with **SEEDS Youth Conservation Corps** entering the picture. Trees needed to be felled, delimbed, skidded (hauled to the mill site) and then stickered and loaded onto the trailer. Under the effective supervision of Bill Watson, SEEDS came to the rescue. Their team of students were well-trained for the job. They spent three days accomplishing all of these tasks. They were skilled, efficient, courteous and hardworking. SEEDS empowers youth through service learning projects and development of green collar job skills. The team-based training program works on labor-intensive conservation and stewardship projects. It was a great fit! We couldn't have done it without them!



SEEDS member hard at work skidding logs



TCAPS & Green Team excavate at the Treat Farm

Traverse City High School Youth Corps (TCAPS) was part of the cast too. They have worked with PHSB for several summers on historic preservation projects, helping to remove sod, jack up barns and pour concrete for example. This summer, up to twenty students and three staff from the TC High School Green Team, and the TCAPS helped at three of the work sessions at the Treat farm. They put some finishing touches on land excavating, cleaned out the farmhouse and outbuildings, and moved brush. They are also our biggest labor force at PHSB's Field Clearing project. Good for them! Good for us!