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Vernal pools are essential for the survival of wildlife, particularly amphibians. The amphibians success depends on having access to these small bodies of water that are unable to support fish, who would otherwise prey on amphibian eggs and tadpoles. The pools are generally just that - very small and often dry up by the middle of summer. But by midsummer the breeding season of the amphibians is over.

Once the frogs, toads, and salamanders have reproduced and metamorphosed they leave their aquatic environment and head into the surrounding woodlands. The adult amphibians will not survive without access to a safe terrestrial habitat.

Please support LD 1882 - legislation that will help to protect the woodlands surrounding vernal pools!