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ELIZABETHTOWN, NY - Corrie Miller, a scientist and dedicated conservationist, will take over as Executive Director of the Ausable River Association (AsRA) starting October 11. Miller has a strong background in non-profit management and has most recently worked in Vermont's Northern Green Mountains as part of the Staying Connected Initiative to find community-based solutions for wildlife habitat protection.

"We are extremely pleased that Corrie has accepted our offer to build on the incredible work of Dr. Carol Treadwell," said the river association's board chair, John Lafferty. "Corrie rose to the top of a strong group of candidates. We see a near future where a growing AsRA will be increasingly central to connecting current science with the people who care about the river, together strengthening the health of the Ausable River and its communities."

"I am particularly excited about the growth potential of the organization and being part of growing it," Miller said. "Years ago, I fell in love with the Adirondacks when I lived and worked here. Now I get to come back and put my professional experiences to work for the Ausable River and the human and wild communities that depend on it."

Miller will move to the Ausable River valley and work side by side with Treadwell, who remains on as contract staff for 6 months to ensure a smooth transition. "Corrie brings tremendous skill and energy to AsRA," Treadwell noted, "I'm thrilled to see the board able to move swiftly to make this transition effective. I'm expecting great things for the Ausable River and the Association in the coming years."

Miller received her Bachelor of Science degree from Vanderbilt University, and completed a post-baccalaureate certificate at University of Minnesota before obtaining a Master of Science degree from the University of Vermont. Since that time she has served as Associate Director of Smokey House Center in Danby, VT, and most recently has worked to build community partnerships in seven Northern Vermont towns through the Staying Connected Initiative, a partnership of non-profit and state agencies across the Northeast working on behalf of wildlife habitat connections.

The Ausable River Association (AsRA) is a nonprofit organization that works cooperatively with landowners, municipalities, and government agencies to protect the wild, scenic, and recreational resources of the Ausable River watershed. The Ausable River is nationally and internationally known for its trout fishery, spectacular scenery, and exceptional recreational opportunities. Protecting the river from current threats and restoring its natural balance is an ongoing challenge. AsRA has been stewarding the river and its watershed since 1998.