Discussion questions for joining our community. Joining Coweeta entails a thoughtful and deep consideration of what it means to be part of this community both physically and spiritually. Hopefully these questions will help you delve into an exploration of what your place could be as part of this community, as well as how you picture Coweeta and its role in the larger world. This may help you in understanding your commitment here and communicating it to us.

- 1) What do you see as your work or passion in life?
- 2) Why do you want to be part of Coweeta?
- 3) What is your commitment to living an organic lifestyle? Why?
- 4) What do you see as the positives and negatives of living here?
- 5) Write a mission and vision statement reflecting your values for Coweeta.
- 6) Translate these statements into possible actions that the community could engage in.
- 7) What role do you see yourself in that would promote the values, beliefs addressed in your mission and vision statement?
- 8) List your skills/knowledge that you bring to Coweeta that would help achieve these goals:
- 9) What projects/activities would you be willing to take on and lead?
- 10) How are you able to support yourself and Coweeta financially? (food, housing, power, infrastructure, transportation, health care, maintenance). Address each of these separately.
- 11) How will aging effect your ability to meet your commitment to Coweeta?
- 12) What are your long term health plans as you age?
- 13) What is your connection to the local community? The larger community?
- 14) What is your commitment to good communication?
- 15) How will you help make Coweeta a welcoming community where all feel included and valued?

Add anything else you feel is important. Please make up your own list of questions and/ or concerns.

This is the basis for writing and submitting an "application for acceptance for a one year stay at Coweeta in preparation for becoming a permanent member here. Alternatively, you could apply for a year-long internship. A slightly different format or questionnaire might be more appropriate. This however, would not qualify you for permanent membership at Coweeta.

Please don't just answer questions, although this might be good preparation for writing a final submission for acceptance. Rather, write a comprehensive statement of why you want to come to Coweeta as a potential member, what you see as your vision and mission for being part of Coweeta, and your commitment to Coweeta as well as what you are expecting in return.

This is your contract with Coweeta. It needs to spell out the terms of your coming here and conditions under which you might leave or be asked to leave. Feel free to discuss all this with us so there is a clear understanding of the agreement you have with the Coweeta Community. Your application can be submitted after your stay here (3 week minimum).

Thanks your joining us here! We wish you well on your journey wherever it takes you!

Please make sure you give ample time to discuss all these issues with us during you stay

Best wishes!

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