Vermont Town Forest Recreation Planning

Education and Recreation Partnerships

Key Attribute #:

Need #:

Estimated Cost:

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Timing: Short-Term

Bradford schools have a strong tradition of using Wright's MT/Devil's Den Town Forest for educational purposes. The Conservation Commission should continue working with Bradford Elementary School and Oxbow High School, to expand that programming to include more recreational opportunities, and explore additional opportunities for programming and partnerships.

Bradford school students, facilitated by the school bus turnaround, should further engage with the forest and help others learn about the forest by creating the interpretive signage. The Conservation Commission should also work to provide more recreational programming for the students by partnering with the Bradford Parks and Recreation Department. The Parks and Recreation department could bring the day camp there or offer hiking, nature walks, or snowshoeing programs in the forest.

Throughout the visioning process, it came up that the town should provide more adult programming, both recreational and educational. The activity programs mentioned above should also be held for adults and the Conservation Commission should lead ecology tours of the forest geared towards adults.

The Conservation Commission should also work with other area organizations focused on outdoor education such as Four Winds Institute and the Upper Valley Land Trust.

Responsibility: Conservation Commission

Partners Involved: Bradford Elementary School, Oxbow High School, Bradford Parks and Recreation Department, Four Winds Institute

Planning Required:

Funding Opportunities: VCF, VHCB, LF, BJF



Toolkit Resources

Interpretation Guidance Toolkit

Programming Partnerships Toolkit

