## Vermont Town Forest Recreation Planning



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Key Attribute #:

Need #:

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Estimated Cost:

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Timing: Short-Term

While Huntington's existing town forest may present few recreational opportunities, there are many public lands, organizations, and recreation providers in the area who can help meet the outdoor recreation needs of Huntington residents. The Town of Huntington should form partnerships to create these opportunities for residents.

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With the nearby state-managed lands, Huntington should go to FPR and spearhead a planning process to incorporate some of Huntington's recreational needs at Camel's Hump State Park, Camel's Hump State Forest, and Huntington Gap WMA. While the town plays host to the Camel's Hump and the popular Burrows Trail, the state park and forest could also provide more local-serving recreation oportunities in those areas, such as dog walking and mountain biking trails, perhaps at a new trailhead.

The town should also work with nearby communities with robust town forests. The Hinesburg Town Forest is on the towns' border and Richmond's new town forest is also nearby. Huntington should be involved in existing planning processes for those forests, presenting Huntington's community interests. Huntington should also be involved in the planning of programming and maintenance for the forest to help support efforts there.

The town should also work with other recreational providers in the area, such as the Green Mountain Audubon, Sleepy Hollow Inn, and Camel's Hump Nordic Ski Association to ensure their recreation opportunities are known and accessible to Huntington residents to the extent possible. Responsibility: Town, Conservation Commission, and/or a committee of local volunteers

Partners Involved: FPR; Hinesburg; Richmond; Bolton, others

Planning Required:

<u>Funding</u> <u>Opportunities:</u>

## Toolkit Resources

Land Conservation and Recreational Access Toolkit

Vermont Town Forest Stewardship Guide

Programming Partnerships Toolkit

