

Vermont Town Forest Recreation Planning

Newbury Town Forest

Key Attribute #:

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Need #:

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Estimated Cost:

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Timing:
Long-Term

The Town of Newbury has recently purchased and established a town forest on Tucker Mountain. The Tucker Mountain Town Forest is an exciting acquisition not just for Newbury, but for the larger region as well.

In the past, Bradford Elementary School has held school outings and events there, and the new town forest is close to the Bradford-Newbury town line. Directly across from the Wright's Mountain trailhead, a dirt road, Stagecoach Road, leads from Wright's Mountain Road to Tucker Mountain. That road has been utilized by the public but is entirely on private property. The Bradford Conservation Commission, along with the Newbury Conservation Commission, should reach out to those private landowners about securing an easement for public use of that road. If easements were secured, the road would not need significant enhancements. Signage should be posted at the Wright's Mountain trailhead, within each town forest pointing towards the connection, and along the dirt road itself.

Public access would create a connection between the two town forests, allowing bikers and walkers to go between Tucker Mountain and Wright's Mountain and enjoy the trail systems, scenery, and nature of both town forests.

Responsibility:

Conservation Commission

Partners Involved:

Town, Town of Newbury, Newbury Conservation Commission, landowners

Planning Required:

ROW research, trail plan/design

Funding Opportunities:

BCP, BPP, STBG, TAP, MPG, RTP, RTC



Toolkit Resources

Land Conservation and Recreational Access Toolkit

