CAROLINA HILL
AT MAIN STREET, EAMES WAY AND BRIDLE TRAIL

LEGEND

ROADWAY
30 FT ELEVATION CONTOUR
PARCEL BOUNDARY
STREAM/WATERWAY
WATERBODY
EASEMENT
WETLANDS
OPEN SPACE
SCHOOL FACILITY
TRAIL PARKING

MAP KEY

NORTH TRAILS: TRAILS ARE WINDING, NARROW, RUGGED, AND STEEP. LIMITED MAINTENANCE PERFORMED AND USERS SHALL PROCEED WITH CAUTION.

UTILITY CORRIDOR: TRAILS ARE WIDE BUT SURFACE IS ROUGH.

SOUTH TRAILS: TRAILS ARE BROAD WITH MODERATE GRADE AND REASONABLE FOOTING.

CAROLINA HILL HIGH POINT: FIRE BURNING PROHIBITED

WATER TOWER: ACCESS PROHIBITED.

PARKING AT FERRY STREET: NO SPACE MARKINGS. SPACE FOR ABOUT 15 VEHICLES.

CULDESAC APPROXIMATELY 800 FEET SOUTH OF EAMES WAY SCHOOL. PARALLEL PARKING PERMISSIBLE ALONG OUTSIDE SHOULDER OF CULDESAC. NO SPACE MARKINGS. SPACE FOR ABOUT 10 VEHICLES.

PARKING AREA AT WOODED LOT 0.66 MILES NORTH OF FURNACE STREET INTERSECTION. NO SPACE MARKINGS. SPACE FOR ABOUT 8 VEHICLES.

PARKING AT SAINT CHRISTINE’S PARISH: TRAIL ACROSS STREET FROM SOUTH END OF PARKING AREA. PARKING PROHIBITED DURING CHURCH SERVICES.

HIGHLY DEGRADED TRAILS, PROCEED WITH EXTREME CAUTION.

MAP UPDATED: MAY, 2016

LOCATION PLAN (TOWN OF MARSHFIELD)
MARSHFIELD
RECREATIONAL TRAILS
MAP

CAROLINA HILL
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DESCRIPTION

LAND DESCRIPTION:
THIS CONTIGUOUS 775 ACRE RESERVATION IS CURRENTLY INTERCONNECTED BY A TRAIL NETWORK OF VARIABLE DIFFICULTY. ALSO REFERRED TO AS HARRINGTON’S WILDERNESS, CAROLINA HILL IS THE ONLY TOWN HILLTOP OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND OFFERS THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO GAIN ACCESS TO BOTH UPLAND AND WATER VIEWS. THE OVERHEAD UTILITY LINES RUNNING EAST-WEST AND THE GRAVEL ROAD EAMES WAY RUNNING NORTH-SOUTH PROVIDE A FRAMEWORK FROM WHICH A MORE RUGGED AND ADVENTUROUS COLLECTION OF TRAILS BRANCH. WITH THE HEAVILY USED BRIDLE TRAIL AT THE EAST EDGE AND THE EAMES WAY SCHOOL TO THE NORTH, A CONSISTENT FLOW OF USERS VISIT THE RESERVATION DAILY.

PARKING:
THERE ARE SEVERAL PARKING LOCATIONS SURROUNDING THE RESERVE AND PROVISIONS FOR INFORMATIVE SIGNAGE HAVE BEEN PROVIDED AT EACH LOCATION, THOUGH AT SOME THE INFORMATION AND FALLEN INTO DISREPAIR OR HAS BEEN REMOVED.

MARKINGS AND WAYFINDING:
MANY BUT NOT ALL OF THE TRAILS ARE INTERMITTENTLY MARKED WITH YELLOW AND WHITE TREE BLAZING. OTHER TRAILS ARE EITHER SO WIDE AND OPEN THAT TRAIL MARKING SERVES NO FUNCTION, OR OVERGROWN AND RUGGED TO THE POINT OF NEAR LOSS. THE ABSENCE OF CONSISTENT MARKINGS MAKES WAYFINDING DURING SNOWY MONTHS DIFFICULT OR IMPOSSIBLE ON SOME OF THE SMALLER ROUTES.

DIFFICULTY AND TRAIL LENGTH:
THERE IS A WIDE RANGE OF DIFFICULTY LEVELS AND USERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO REVIEW THE RATINGS DESCRIPTIONS PROVIDED ON THE MAP BEFORE PLOTTING A ROUTE. THERE IS CONSIDERABLE TOPOGRAPHY WITHIN THE RESERVATION WITH ROUGHLY 160 FEET TO ELEVATION GAIN FROM ROUTE 3A TO THE CAROLINA HILL CREST. THE FOLLOWING TRIP TIMES ARE BASED ON AN EASY HIKING SPEED OF BETWEEN 1.5 AND 2.5 MPH:

- NORTH TO SOUTH VIA EAMES WAY = 1.3 MILES OR APPROXIMATELY 30 MINUTES.
- WEST TO EAST VIA UTILITY COORIDOR = 1.4 MILES OR APPROXIMATELY 50 MINUTES.
- ADVENTUROUS/CIRCUITUOUS ACROSS RESERVATION VIA MORE DIFFICULT TRAILS = 2.5 MILES OR APPROXIMATELY 90 MINUTES.

PERMITTED ACTIVITIES
HIKING
DOG WALKING
BIKING
HORSEBACK RIDING
NORDIC SKIING

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES
CAMPING
FIRE
CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL
USE OF FIREARMS AND TRAPPING
USE OF PAINTBALL GUNS
MOTOR VEHICLES (EXCEPT FOR EMERGENCY OR SERVICE)

NOTE: Exclusion of an activity from these lists does not imply its prohibition. Activities not on the prohibited list and not permitted under Massachusetts or Federal law are also prohibited. Refer to Town of Marshfield Conservation Commission list of Rules and Regulation for up to date information.

TYPICAL CONSERVATION SIGNAGE.

TYPICAL TRAIL AT NORTH SIDE OF RESERVATION, NARROW AND RUGGED.

TYPICAL TRAIL AT SOUTH SIDE OF RESERVATION, BROAD AND CLEAR.

TYPICAL VIEW ALONG UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY.

TYPICAL VIEW FROM NORTH SIDE OF RESERVATION.