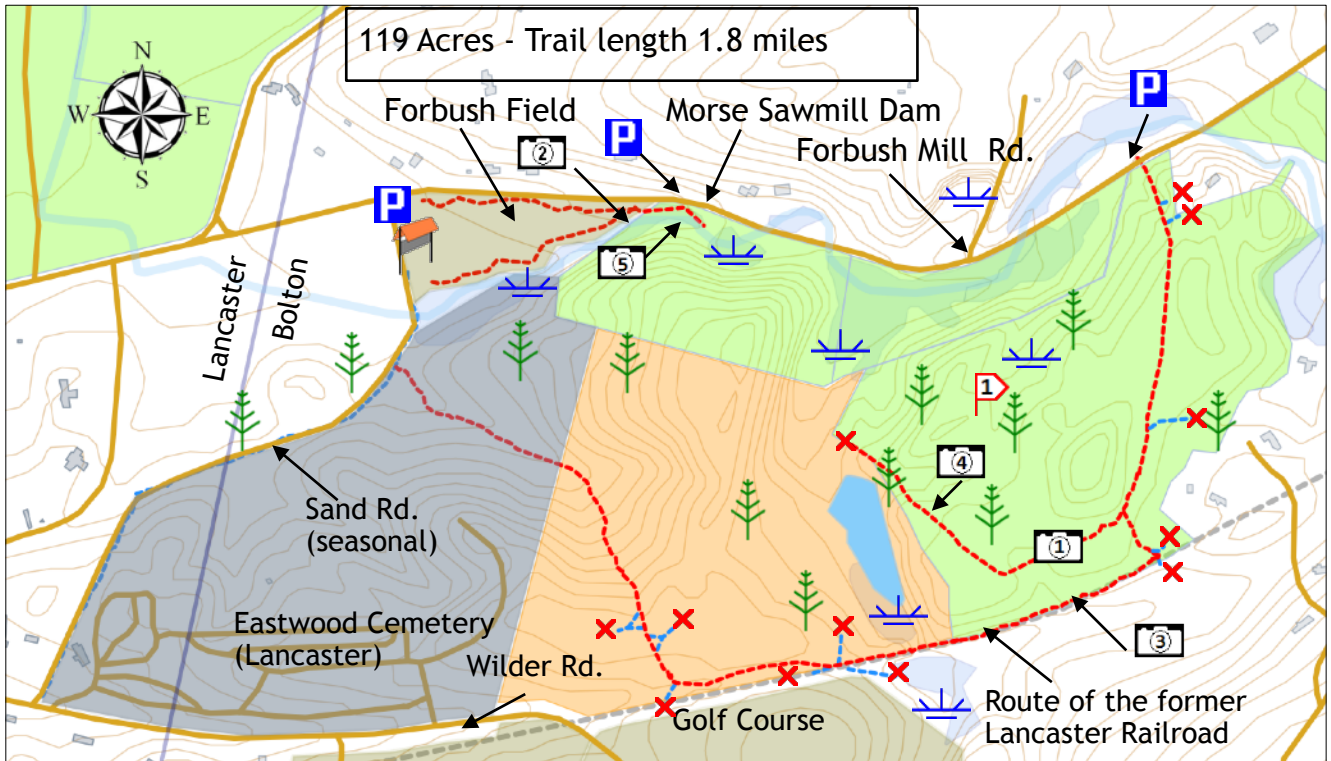


This trail area extends through active forest management land, including the Vespa tract and the Taggart parcel.



Map made by Bolton Trails Committee with MassMapper data and route locations collected by volunteers © Bolton Conservation Trust 2025

Legend:

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| Recreation Area. Please stay on trail | Primary trail | Parking |
| Town or Conservation Land. Please obey trail restrictions. | Secondary trail | Photo location |
| Lake or Pond. Permanent water. | Marsh or swamp | Point of interest mentioned in the text |
| Swamp, wetlands or area subject to flooding. | Wooded area | Trail susceptible to flooding |
| Private land or easement. Please stay on trail | Kiosk | Disused railway |
| Cemetery | No access | |

Contour lines at 20' intervals

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① The cart track

Taggart Property: Bolton acquired 38.5 acres of this property with assistance from the LAND grant program. A further 4.5 acres are land banked for the town's own use. The area contains some noteworthy features such as a section of the *Old Lancaster Railroad* bed **③** (<https://boltontrails.org/lanaster-railroad>), wetlands around the perimeter with a vernal pool in a kettle hole at the heart of the land **②**, old cart tracks, and interesting forest vegetation such as mountain laurel **④**. The topography helps the surrounding land by increasing resiliency from floods.

Forbush Field Trail: Passes a beautiful waterfall **⑤** at the Morse Sawmill Dam site where a perennial stream flows parallel to Forbush Mill Road. In the eighteenth century the waterfall was the site of the foundation of one three mills known as the Brook Sawmill. It is believed that they were built by two brothers, Joel and Joab Bernard.

Sand Road: Is a seasonally restricted access, and unpaved connection between Forbush Mill Rd. and Old Common Rd. in Lancaster.



② The Still River, a cold water fishery

Parking:

Forbush Mill Rd: On the edge of the roadway. 2 cars
42.446957, -71.638602

Morse Sawmill Dam, on the edge of the roadway. 2 cars.
42.446366, -71.645595

Forbush Field. Large parking area next to soccer fields.
42.446508, -71.650129

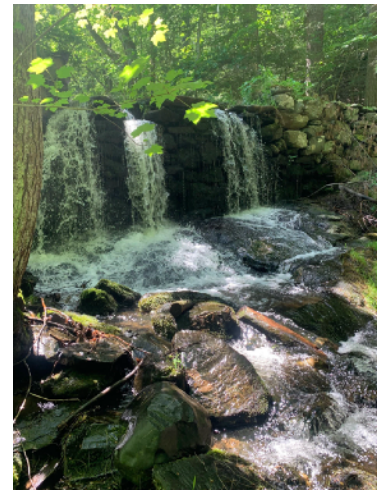
Connections: *Wilder Farm area via the Tadmor sidewalk.* From the Taggart trailhead, walk north along Forbush Mill Road past the DPW buildings. The sidewalk is parallel to Route 117 (Main St.) and leads to the Goose Pond Path development. The Wilder Farm trailhead is at the southern end of the road.



③ Old Lancaster Railroad bed



④ Mountain Laurel



⑤ Waterfall



Bolton Conservation Land Rules and Regulations.

The Bolton Conservation Commission welcomes responsible public use and enjoyment of land under its stewardship. Pursuant to MGL Chapter 40, Section 8c, the Conservation Commission has adopted these rules and regulations to provide a pleasurable experience for users and in order to preserve and protect in perpetuity the wildlife, ecological, environmental, and conservation values of these properties which include:

- Protection of surface and groundwater resources
- Protection of unfragmented forest habitat
- Protection of wildlife habitat
- Protection of open space and the Town's trails system.

Prohibitions

- Hunting, trapping and discharging of firearms, arrows, paintballs, and pellets
- Motor vehicles, except for emergency response or municipal vehicles
- Dumping and/or littering
- Alcoholic beverages and glass containers
- Smoking
- Swimming except by waders at the Tom Denney Nature Camp

Advance permission needed in writing from the Bolton Conservation Commission for the following:

- Camping
- Fires
- Memorials or Displays
- Building new trails, extensions, and modifications to existing trails
- Cutting, removing, or damaging vegetation, except for the control of invasive species
- Collecting dead or downed wood, rocks or wildlife

Any activities or uses not set forth here require the prior written permission of the Bolton Conservation Commission.

Adopted 12/21/2010

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Dogs may be walked on conservation land as long as they are under effective control of a person. People walking dogs shall remove feces from trails and all environmentally sensitive areas. Please keep dogs out of vernal pools during breeding season for frogs and salamanders (generally mid-February through April). Do not let dogs chase or harass wildlife.

