



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

Legend:

Contour lines at 20' intervals

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| Private land or easement. Please stay on trail | Primary trail | Parking | High Point on trails |
| Town or Conservation Land. Please obey trail restrictions. | Secondary trail | Photo location | |
| Lake or Pond. Permanent water. | No access | Point of interest mentioned in the text | |
| Swamp, wetlands or area subject to flooding. | Stone wall | Trail susceptible to flooding | |
| Route of Gas Pipeline | Marsh or swamp | Bridge | |
| | Wooded area | Use Caution | |
| | Disused railway | | |



Danforth Brook area: The area was acquired by the Town in 2000 as part of the nearby residential development. The most popular start point is at the parking area on Danforth Lane. Another start point is via the well hidden break in vegetation next to the circle at the cul-de-sac **3**. Whichever route is taken, some wet areas soon give way to woodland and eventually to a path that follows the route of the Kinder Morgan gas pipeline. Take care when crossing the brook at **1** using stepping stones and at **2** by walking on the top of a low wall. There are some bog bridges and occasionally the surrounding ground can be wet, so good shoes are essential when visiting this path. The two old cars in the woods on the southwestern side of the pipeline have been there for many years and have become landmarks. Two paths lead on to Barretts Hill, the summit of which can be found by taking a side trail. This is a secluded area and it's rare to see another walker on this hill.

Keyes Farm Conservation land: This property is accessed from Hudson Rd./Route 85. The trail is a loop with an approach through woodland. The path crosses the same gas pipeline as the Danforth Brook Trail, but further to the northwest.



1 Keyes Farm trailhead



2 Keyes Farm trail

Parking:

- *Danforth Lane for Danforth Brook*, 2 cars in the space on Danforth Lane. Note that parking space at the cul-de-sac is reserved for emergency vehicles.
42.412278, -71.576111
- *Hudson Rd. for Keyes Farm*, 2-3 cars up a dirt track off Hudson Rd., near the Bolton Conservation sign.
42.414589, -71.581169

Suggested walks: *Strenuous* - The full loop of the Danforth Brook Trails is well worth the effort. Note that ascent of Barrett's Hill is much more gentle via the eastern trail (1.4 miles, hilly with stream crossings).

Shorter - Walk from the Danforth parking area to the trail junction shortly before the pipeline, turn right to follow the path back to the circle (0.75 miles stream crossings).

Rolling - start at the Keyes Farm parking area and follow the arrows on the trail (1.0 miles).



3 Danforth Brook stepping stones



4 Barrett's Hill summit plateau



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.

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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.

