THE NEW BOSTON TRAIL

The main trailhead for the New Boston Trail is located in the north end of the parking lot adjacent to the Transfer Station and across from the recreational ball fields on Old Coach Road. The trail is marked with blue tags and numbers for location identification. **In an emergency, note the nearest locator number on the trail tag and call 911.**

The New Boston Trail winds its way through 3.8 miles and 350 acres of Town Forests: Lydia Dodge West, Lydia Dodge East, O'Rourke and Sherburne. The trail goes through varying terrain, across stone and wooden bridges, up hills and into valleys and meadows, crossing near wetland areas such as Clark Swamp and the Sherburne meadow, created and maintained by active beaver populations. Many different species of birds, mammals, reptiles, wildflowers and trees are commonly observed along the trail. Blue

herons and wood ducks may be seen from the Clark Swamp overlook, if one is quiet so they are not disturbed. In Lydia Dodge West, beautiful man-made rapids

constructed long ago cascade from north to south along the trail next to giant rocks left from ancient glaciers. The forest trees range from black gums growing in or near marshes in the south to the extensive hemlock, white pine and red pine seen throughout the four forest areas.

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Hardwoods such as red oak, white oak, beech, birch and ash are scattered throughout the area where soils allow.

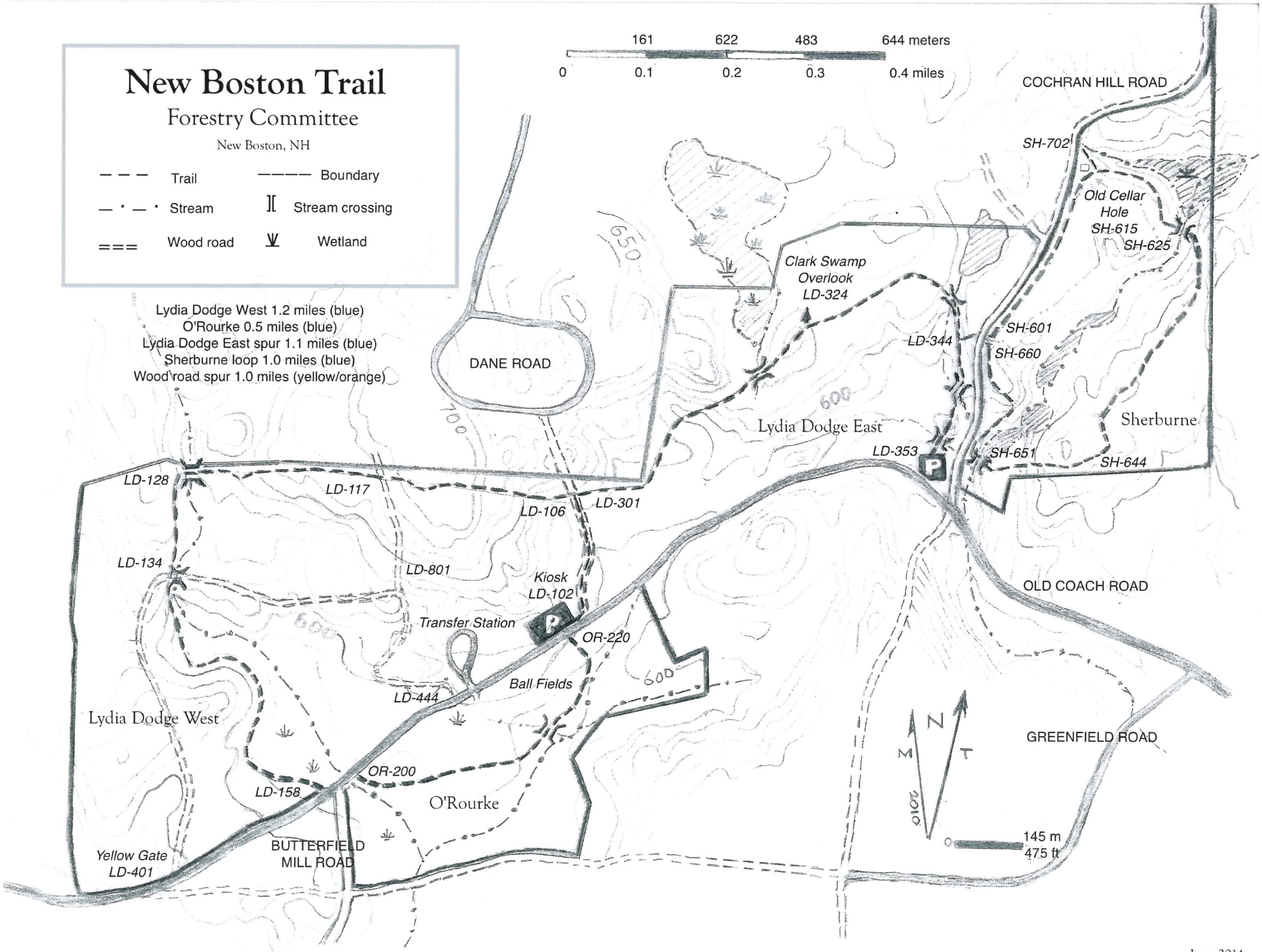
The trail varies in difficulty depending on the terrain. The O'Rourke section is easy; Lydia Dodge West and Sherburne are moderate; Lydia Dodge East is moderately difficult due to several rock stream crossings and varying terrain.

RESTRICTIONS

The use of wheeled motorized vehicles is not permitted on town forest land, with the exception of individuals needing handicapped access. Camping and fires are not permitted unless authorized by the forestry committee and selectmen. Target shooting in the sand pit surrounded by the Sherburne Forest is NOT permitted. Please do not litter: carry in, carry out.

Hunting is allowed in all town forests.

Please respect abutting private lands and trails. The New Boston Trail is open from dawn to dusk.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Trail
Boundary
Stream
Stream crossing
Wood road
Wetland
161 622 483 644 meters
0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 miles
Lydia Dodge West 1.2 miles (blue)
O'Rourke 0.5 miles (blue)
Lydia Dodge East spur 1.1 miles (blue)
Sherburne loop 1.0 miles (blue)
Wood road spur 1.0 miles (yellow/orange)
COCHRAN HILL ROAD
SH-702
Old Cellar Hole
SH-615
SH-625
Clark Swamp Overlook
LD-324
LD-344
SH-601
SH-660
DANE ROAD
Lydia Dodge East
Sherburne
LD-353
SH-651
SH-644
LD-128
LD-117
LD-106
LD-301
LD-134
LD-801
Kiosk
LD-102
Transfer Station
OR-220
OLD COACH ROAD
Ball Fields
LD-444
Lydia Dodge West
GREENFIELD ROAD
OR-200
LD-158
O'Rourke
Yellow Gate
LD-401
BUTTERFIELD MILL ROAD
145 m
475 ft
650
600
700

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