# Trail Revitalization Project Prospect Hill Park

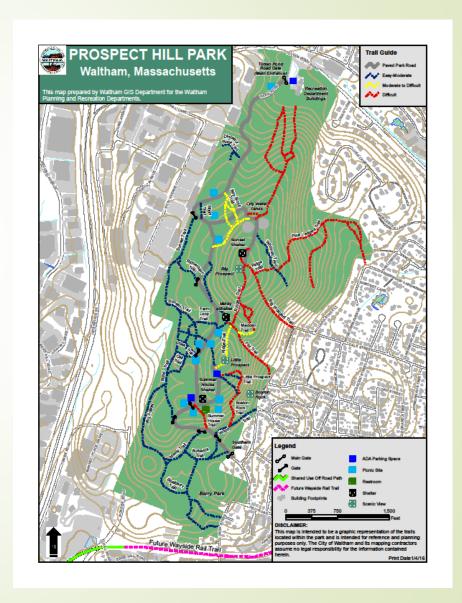
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## Objectives

- Reconcile map with established trails.
- Apply decision making matrix and ROS to current trails.
- Plan for new trails to address POI, Safety and Park needs.
- Trail issues.
- Cost

#### Prospect Hill Trail Map

- Multiple established trails not represented.
- Color rating system deters casual visitors.
- Utilize GIS mapping software for future maps.
- GPS trails for GIS overlay for accuracy and distance markers.(currently in progress)
- Many trails lack names/ designations.





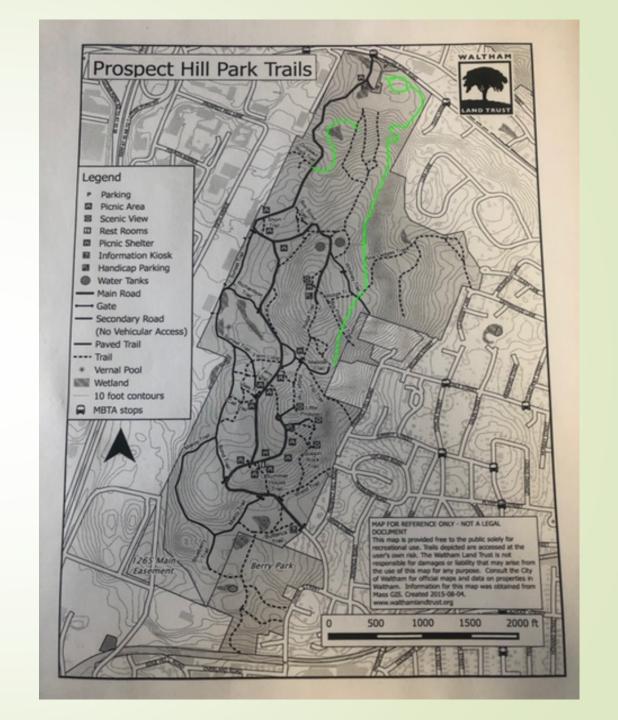
- Red Lines indicate well established trails
- Main trails that lead to private property or dead end.



- Yellow Lines indicate recommending trail closings.
- Red stars indicate decisions needed for trails future.

Potential trail additions include but are not limited to the following

- Trail from base to dinosaur rock
- ADA discovery trail
- PHP Loop connector
- Mother tree trail spur



- This is a physical representation of the GPS trail work using GIS software.
- Will be able to add to online database on Waltham City website.
- Can make changes easily.
- Create QR codes accessed at PHP.



#### Trail issues

- Lack of signage.
- Improperly installed trails, creating erosion issues.
- Poison Ivy and other vegetative encroachment.

## Trail Signs

- Roughly 70 intersections in Prospect Hill park, only 6 are clearly marked.
- Approximately 6 trails have no names/designation.



#### Trail Signs

- Trail Signs to be installed on 4''x4''x8' pressure treated posts, with gravel base.
- Signs will be at every trail intersection as well as start/finish.
- Larger signs for trails heads near PHP base.
- Trails will be marked/blazed with paint between intersections.



### Trail Blazing

- Trail markings to be added in addition to signs.
- These markings will be used between starts/finishes and intersections of trails.

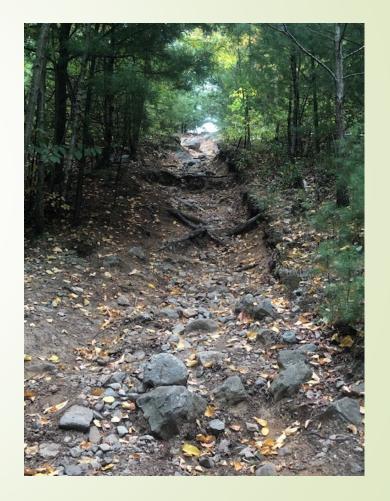




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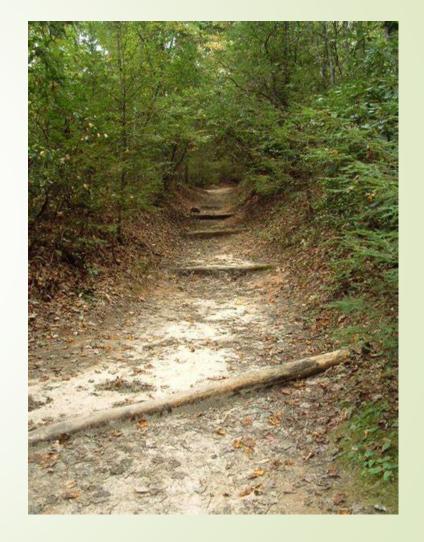
#### Erosion

- Older trails lack proper design, increasing erosion issues.
- Erosion severe enough on some trails that using them is dangerous.



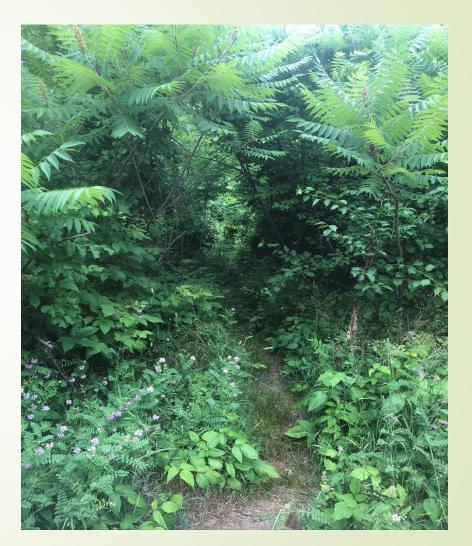
#### **Erosion Issues Continued**

- Reroute and/or close trails.
- Install water bars.



#### Vegetation Encroachment

- Trails are being encroached, some to the point of "natural" closure.
- Poison Ivy is a large issue.
- Must establish regular mechanical maintenance.
- Herbicide applications needed for Poison ivy.



# Vegetation Encroachment

