

TRAIL ASSESSMENT FORM

Doc. #	Trail Name	Swamp Trail South	Trail Type:	Wide - M	Condition	Fair - Good
Route:	Markers #5371 – 5380 – 5370 - 5365 – 5364 – 5361 – 5332 – 5355 (pipeline & Acton Path) Overall distance 0.78 miles					
Recent Weather:	Drought Conditions as declared by The National Drought Mitigation Center					
TRAIL LANDMARKS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trailhead leaves from the east side of the Ponkapoag Trail at intersection Marker #5371. Leaving the trailhead overall heading is southeast. The treadway begins descending at road width. • Duck Pond Foot Path (FBH map) Marker # 5380 leaves on the left (east) at 0.20 miles 360 feet. • Treadway begins ascending at 0.24 miles. • Green Dot Loop Trail enters on the right, Marker #5370 sharing the treadway with the Prescott Foot Path (FBH map) at 0.27 miles • Treadway enters an intersection at intersection Marker #5365 at 0.30 miles. At this intersection an unnamed path (<i>Fire Trail</i> on FBH map) leaves on the left (southwest) at road width as the Swamp Trail continues south sharing the same treadway as the Green Dot Loop Trail. • Wooden waterbar crosses treadway at 0.31 miles. Waterbar non-functional needs to be dug out. • Culvert under the treadway, 0.32 miles. Adjacent to AMC Cabins' pump house. In good shape, recently cleared of debris. Streambed was dry on survey day. • Treadway enters an intersection at intersection Marker #5364 at 0.33 miles at the entry to the AMC Camps. There is a Pump House to the left of treadway and an unnamed footpath leaving on the right to Ponkapoag Pond and AMC Cabins. Recent work done on '<i>rubber</i>' water lines; lines exposed on day of survey. • Metal water pipe partially exposed 0.35 miles • Stone waterbar crosses treadway at 0.36 miles (adjacent to <i>day-use parking</i> area). Not functioning waterbar needs to be excavated. • Three stone/wooden waterbars cross treadway at 0.41 miles. All waterbars compromised; all need to be dug out. Ground clearance for automobiles using <i>day parking</i> is questionable. • Treadway enters a road width path on the right at 0.43 miles at the height of land into the AMC Camps and cabin area. • Ponkapoag Path crosses at road width from the left, at intersection Marker #5361 at 0.48 miles while multiple paths continue leave on right to cabins. • <i>Missionary Point</i> driveway on right at intersection Marker #5332 at 0.53 miles. Adjacent waterbar crossing the treadway at 0.68 miles; needs to be dug out; not functioning. • 0.68 miles Non-functional waterbar needs maintenance. • Cement Culvert under the treadway at 0.71 miles. 36" cement pipe in streambed. Appears to be clear of debris; streambed dry. • The Swamp Trail (FBH Map) ends at 0.78 miles, Marker #5335 with its intersection with the <i>gas pipeline</i> and Acton Path. At this intersection the Acton Path begins to the right. The gas transmission pipeline leaves 					

	the intersection to the left and to the right.		
MINOR PROBLEM AREAS AND MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waterbar at 0.59 mile • Waterbars at ~ 0.11, 0.19 miles • Multiple waterbars at '<i>day parking</i>' area ~ 0.35 – 0.4; also assess issues automobile ground clearance (multiple boulders, steep incline) 		
DISTANCES TO MAJOR INTERSECTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intersection Marker #5371 to Duck Pond Foot Path Marker # 5380 (FBH map) leaves on the left (east) - 360 feet. • Intersection Marker #5371 to Green Dot Loop Trail Marker #5370 enters on the right -0.26 miles. • Intersection Marker #5371 to intersection Marker #5365 - 0.29 miles. • Intersection Marker #5371 to intersection Marker #5364 - 0.33 miles. • Intersection Marker #5371 to Ponkapoag Path crosses at intersection Marker #5361 - 0.48 miles. • Intersection Marker #5371 to intersection Marker 5332 - 0.59 miles. • Intersection Marker #5371 to The Swamp Trail (FBH Map) ends with its intersection with the pipeline. - 0.78 miles. 		
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Note: based on report prepared by Ken Jones 4/16/08