

TRAIL ASSESSMENT FORM

Doc. #	1020	Trail Name	Coon Hollow Path North	Trail Type:	Wide - M	Condition	Good
Route:		Hillside Ave. – 1123 – 1120 – 1092 – 1082 – Elliot Circle					
Recent Weather:		Sunny in the 30's – Melting Snow. Snow cover on trail was 0-1 inch					
TRAIL LANDMARKS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trailhead leaves from the north side of Hillside Street from the fire gate and granite marker labeled Coon Hollow Path. Trailhead in located .18 miles west of the Houghton pond parking area. • Unnamed path enters on right at 20 yards. • Bn at 200 feet. • Unnamed path enters on right at 362 feet. • Bn at .12 miles. Sbd widow maker-overhanging trail. 3" dia. Bow saw work. • Bn at .13. • Log wb at .14 miles. R to L. Dt on left into stream. Both require cleaning. • Cv at .15 miles. R to L. Rkw and cement const.on both sides. Corrugated PVC (14" dia._ Good operation. Dt well both sides. Clean in spring. • Log wb 10 feet north of Cv. L to R. Requires cleaning on left. • Log and Rkw wb at .16 miles. L to R. Clean dt on right. • Rkw on right of trail at .17 miles. Doing a nice job keeping water off the right side of the trail. • Rkw wb at .18 miles removing water from trail. Clean dt on right. • Bn at .19 miles. • Log wb at .20 miles removing water from trail. Clean dt on right. • Rwk/log wb at .21 miles. L to R. Clean dt on right. • Half Way Path crosses the trail at .21 miles. • Wooden wb at .23 miles. L to R. Dt on R. Requires cleaning. • Bn at .25 miles. • Wooden wb at .26 miles. L to R. Dt on R. Requires cleaning. • Wooden wb at .28 miles. L to R. Dt on R. Requires cleaning. • Sbd at .3 miles crosses trail. 2" dia. Bow saw work. • South Skyline crosses at intersection marker 1123 at .31 miles. • Bn at .33 miles. • Bn at .38 miles. • Rd at .38 miles. L to R removing water from trail. Dt on right however needs to be deeper to remove water from treadway. • Coon Hollow path joins the Five Corners Path at intersection marker 1120 at .41 miles. Somewhat confusing intersection as an unnamed path enters on left. Green dot blazes minimize confusion however while the Coon Hollow and the Five Corner Path west share the same treadway for the next .28 miles, additional signage would help people unfamiliar with the area. (1) • Rd at .42 miles removing water from the treadway. R to L. Cleaning needed on left. • Wooden wb at .42 miles. R to L. Dt on left. Requires cleaning. • Bn at .45 miles. 					

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rd at .45 miles removing water from the treadway. R to L. Cleaning needed on left. • Two Rd at .47 miles removing water from the treadway. R to L. Cleaning needed on left. • Bn at .51 miles. • Sbd extending into treadway at .53 miles. Bow saw work. • Unnamed path enters on left right at .62 miles. • Bn at .62 miles. Branches across treadway. Bow saw work. • Wildcat Notch Path enters on left at .69 miles. • Coon Hollow continues to follow green dot blazes. • Skyline North crosses at intersection marker 1092 at .75 miles. • Coon Hollow Path leaves Wildcat Notch Path and the green dot blazes on the left immediately northwest of this intersection. • Large dt with rkw crosses treadway at .77 miles. L to R. Dt on R and L require cleaning. • Bn at .79 miles. • Trail marker post (3x3") at .79 miles on right. Markings obliterated. (2) • Rd with rkw on left and right at .8 miles. Dt on right. Both rkw directing water into dt. Clean in spring. • Bn at .8 miles. • Treadway enters an area of moderate erosion at .81 miles as treadway turns left and ascends. Erosion extends through .84 miles. Rkw in center of treadway designed to slow runoff it appears. There is a rkw wall with a dt on the other side of it to the right of the treadway running from .81 through .83 miles. This looks like a recent attempt to reduce erosion in this area and its effect should be monitored and additionally cleaned in the spring. (3) • Rkw wb at .83 miles. L to R. Dt on right needs to be extended into the previously noted dt paralleling trail to be effective. The current runoff reenters the treadway. (4) • Coon Hollow Path joins the Red Dot Trail loop at intersection marker 1082 at .84 miles. • Trail enters an area of moderate erosion at .86 miles. • Dt on right at .87 miles. Dt needs to be deeper to help with the erosion in this area. • Erosion continues through .90 miles however the treadway is ledgy in this area so it is not a major issue. • Bn at .92 miles. • Unnamed path leaves on the right at .94 miles. • Unnamed path leaves on the right at .95 miles. • Bn at 1.02. • Unnamed path leaves on the right at 1.03 miles • Coon Hollow Path ends with it's intersection with Elliot Circle at 1.09 miles after crossing two granite steps and a granite marker on the left labeled Coon Hollow Path.
MINOR PROBLEM AREAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significant areas of brushing and bow saw work required as noted in the survey. <p>(1) Additional signage - Coon Hollow path joins the Five Corners Path at intersection marker 1120 at .41 miles. Somewhat confusing intersection as an unnamed path enters on left. Green dot blazes</p>

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MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS	(2) Trail marker post (3x3") at .79 miles on right. Markings obliterated.		
	(3) Treadway enters an area of moderate erosion at .81 miles as treadway turns left and ascends. Erosion extends through .84 miles. Rkw in center of treadway appears designed to slow runoff. There is a rkw wall with a dt on the other side of it to the right of the treadway running from .81 through .83 miles. This looks like a recent attempt to reduce erosion in this area and its effect should be monitored and additionally cleaned in the spring.		
DISTANCES TO MAJOR INTERSECTIONS	(4) Rwk wb at .83 miles. L to R. Dt on right needs to be extended into the previously noted dt paralleling trail to be effective. The current runoff reenters the treadway.		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hillside Street Trailhead to Half Way Path crosses. - .21 miles• Hillside Street Trailhead to South Skyline crosses at intersection marker 1123. - .31 miles.• Hillside Street Trailhead to Coon Hollow Path/ Five Corners Path intersection marker 1120. - .41 miles.• Hillside Street Trailhead to Wildcat Notch Path - .69 miles.• Hillside Street Trailhead to Skyline North at intersection marker 1092. - .75 miles.• Hillside Street Trailhead to Coon Hollow Path / Red Dot Trail at intersection marker 1082 - .84 miles.• Hillside Street Trailhead to Elliot Circle. - 1.09 miles.		
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Abbreviations:

Usage type: foot traffic only (H), multi-use (M)

waterbars (wb)	small blowdowns (sbd)
culverts(cv)	large blowdowns (lbd)
rolling dips (rd)	rock work (rkw)
bridges (br)	bridge building (bbd),
bog bridges (bb)	culvert replacement (cr)
rock stairs (rs)	trail relocation (tr),
cribbing (cb)	building new trail drainage (ntd)
retaining walls (rw)	brushing needed (bn)
ditches (dt)	excessive erosion (ee)
	leaning tree (lt)