

TRAIL ASSESSMENT FORM

Doc. #	1030	Trail Name	Hancock Trail West	Trail Type:	Narrow - H	Condition	Good
Route:		Unquity Road Parking Area – 1201 – N. Skyline – Hancock Hill					
Recent Weather:		Light rain in last 24 hours, Partly cloudy in the 60s					
TRAIL LANDMARKS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trailhead is located on the south side of a small parking area located on the west side of Unquity Road approximately ½ mile north of Reservation Headquarters. Treadway is path width. Old bd crosses the treadway at .02. Remove. Two people. Another old bd crosses the treadway at .02. Remove. Two people. Bd crosses the treadway at .03 miles. Can be stepped over. Treadway crosses the Chestnut Run Path at .03 miles. Treadway crosses an Unnamed road width path at .06 miles. Log wb crosses at .09 miles. L to R. Overhead bn at .10 miles. Minor erosion noted in treadway at .12 miles caused by run off entering from the Hancock Hill Path. Recommend a wb be installed on the Hancock Hill Path to prevent this. (1) The Hancock Trail enters the Hancock Hill Path at intersection marker 1201 at .12 miles. The Hancock Trail turns left (south) onto the Hancock Hill Path and shares the same treadway for .02 miles. The Hancock Trail leaves the Hancock Hill Path on the right (southwest) at an additional intersection marker 1201 at .14 miles. (2) From .19 miles to the summit of Hancock Hill, route finding becomes difficult due the number of unnamed paths crossing. Rock slabs are blazed with small (1x3”) faded white rectangular blazes however additional blazing is recommended. (3) Bn at .19 miles. Treadway begins ascending again at .22 miles. Unnamed path enters on the left at path width at .25 miles. Treadway enters an intersection at .27 miles. Path on right leads to lunch rock and view. Unnamed path enters on left at .33 miles. Small cairn to the left of the treadway at .33 miles. Treadway continues over slabs at .39 miles Bn at .4 miles. Hancock Trail enters the North Skyline on Hancock Hill at .41 miles, 450 feet north of the North Skyline, Circle Trail intersection. 					
MINOR PROBLEM AREAS		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Minor erosion noted in treadway at .12 miles caused by run off entering from the Hancock Hill Path. Recommend a wb be installed on the Hancock Hill Path to prevent this erosion. (1) Duplicate intersection marker 1201 noted (2) From .19 miles to the summit of Hancock Hill, route finding becomes difficult due the number of unnamed paths crossing. Rock slabs are blazed with small (1x3”) faded white rectangular blazes however additional blazing is recommended. (3) 					
MAJOR		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None noted 					

PROBLEM AREAS			
DISTANCES TO MAJOR INTERSECTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trailhead to Chestnut Run Path - .03 miles. • Trailhead to the Hancock Trail enters the Hancock Hill Path at intersection marker 1201 - .12 miles. • Trailhead to the Hancock Trail leaves the Hancock Hill Path on the right (southwest) at an additional intersection marker 1201 - .14 miles. • Trailhead to North Skyline on Hancock Hill - .41 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)