

TRAIL ASSESSMENT FORM

Doc. #	Trail Name	Slide Notch Path	Trail Type:	Medium	Condition	Good
Route:		Bouncing Brook Path Marker 3073 to Chickatawbut Road Marker 4052.				
Recent Weather:		Clear, rain last night which cleared snow from previous week when there was some significant winds.				
TRAIL LANDMARKS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail starts at Bouncing Brook Path Marker 3073 as a steep rocky tread with evidence of waterflow heading down from the trail. Trail is part of the Red Dot Loop until Marker 3090. • Rotted wooden waterbar, L to R, at 30 yds. Not really needed if structures higher up the trail are effective. • Wooden waterbar, L to R, at 45 yds. Structure collects water from side ditch on L and could use a good cleaning to prevent water flowing down the trail. • Two wooden waterbars, L to R, at 60 and 65 yds. Need good cleaning. • Swale, L to R, at 90 yds. Needs to be reworked to prevent water passing by structure. • Rock waterbar, L to R, at 127 yds. Clean • Evidence of water flowing heavily down the trail for much of the trail heading uphill to Skyline Trail. Improvement of structures further up the trail would reduce the flow but still likely at times of high water flow. • Swale, L to R, at 240 yds. Needs to be reworked to prevent water passing by structure. • Swale, L to R, at 250 yds. Needs to be reworked to prevent water passing by structure. • Stream crosses trail L to R from ditch on L of trail at 260 yds. Need to build up downside of crossing to keep water from heading downhill. • Stream crosses trail R to L from ditch on R of trail at 275 yds. Need to improve crossing and ditch that carries water along L side of trail to crossing noted above. • The section of trail up to the Skyline Trail crossing is a ravine with rock outcrops on either side of trail. There is a slight opportunity to push this water to the remains of an old ditch along L side of trail. This would require major rework and it still may not be very successful to keep water off the trail. (1) • Trail crosses Skyline Trail at 410 yds. • Unnamed trail enters L at 420 yds. • Wooden waterbar, R to L at 436 yds. Structure is not working but would be difficult to fix as the outflow is actually uphill. Need to assess as part of review mentioned below. • Sassaman Notch Trail Marker 3090 crosses at 460 yds. Red Dot Loop exits R on Sassaman. Yellow Dot Loop exits L with Sassaman. • Water runs down the trail from Skyline Trail for another 100 yards. A swale could be added at marker 3090 to collect water and get it off the trail. (2) • Yellow Dot Loop (Tower Path) enters trail from L at 500 yds. 				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large rock steps going downslope from 585 to 602 yds. • Trail splits at 626 yds. and follows left fork to Chickatawbut Road. • Trail ends at Chickatawbut Road Marker 4052 at 700 yds. 		
<p>MINOR&MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS</p>	<p>(1) Water flows down the trail from just South of Skyline Trail. This section needs to be reviewed to determine how best to correct. Will be difficult as rock outcroppings are located on both sides of trail and they form a bit of a ravine to funnel water down the trail. There is some evidence of a ditch on L side of trail and this could be reestablished to get the water off the trail. This would be a major undertaking but would significant improve the trail. The treadway is very solid with a lot of rock so erosion is not really a problem, just waterflow on trail during rainy periods. The section for review should include the trail down to Bouncing Brook Path</p> <p>(2) As trail heads North after intersection with the Skyline Trail, a similar situation as noted above occurs. There is a non-functioning wooden waterbar at 436 yds. that could be reworked with a long outflow ditch to get water off the trail. A swale could be added at Marker 3090 to get the water off the trail at this point. These would be major projects but would be very beneficial to keep water off the trail.</p>		
<p>DISTANCES TO MAJOR INTERSECTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bouncing Brook Path Marker 3073 to Skyline Trail - 410 yds. • Bouncing Brook Path Marker 3073 to Sassaman Notch Path Marker 3090 - 460 yds. • Bouncing Brook Path Marker 3073 to Yellow Dot Loop (Tower Path) - 500 yds. • Bouncing Brook Path Marker 3073 to Chickatawbut Road Marker 4052 - 700 yds. 		
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