

TRAIL ASSESSMENT FORM

Doc. #	5020	Trail Name	Dorchester Trail West	Trail Type:	Wide - M	Condition	Good
Route		5174 - Holman Lane					
Recent Weather:		Heavy Rain last 24 hours (2"), Light rain in the 50's					
TRAIL LANDMARKS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trailhead is located and leaves from the north west side of Redman Farm Path (Green Dot Loop) at intersection marker 5174. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This trail although shown on the DCR map is unnamed and is only shown for approximately ¼ mile. The FBH map identifies this as the Dorchester Trail and shows it ending at Holman Lane near route 138. For the purpose of the assessment, I have performed the survey using both maps. Differences will be noted in the assessment. Treadway leaves at path width as opposed to road width on the DCR map. Overhead bn at 90 feet. Unnamed path enters on left at road width at 172 feet. Downed limbs need to be pulled off the treadway on the unnamed path. Dorchester Trail continues northwest now at road width. Artifact (lamp post or water meter post) lying to the left of the treadway at 270 feet. Cv crosses under the treadway in a streambed at 360 feet. R to L. 36" corrugated steel pipe. Bn at outlet with lbd in inlet however not hindering flow. Treadway enters the golf course fairway at .1 miles. Bootleg intersection marker noted to the right of the treadway. (5143 w/ direction arrows) Treadway reenters the woods slightly south of its entry point at .14 miles at footpath width. Large rock wall begins to parallel the treadway at .15 miles. Sbd crosses the treadway at .19 miles. Can be stepped over. Minor erosion in the treadway noted as trail begins ascending at .20 miles through .25 miles. There is a crushed drainpipe entering from the golf course as well as water from the golf course hill causing this erosion. Water bars should be considered to resolve if desired. (1) Treadway enters the gold course fairway at .25 miles. DCR map indicates that this unnamed path (Dorchester Trail) ends here. FBH assessment continues. Treadway reenters the woods at .27 miles at a bootleg blue blaze on the left. Treadway opens to road width to the left of a residence at .3 miles. Unnamed path leaves on the right at road width into residence at .33 miles. Downed limb in treadway to be removed at this intersection. Bd crosses at .36 miles. 6" dia. Can be carried off. Sbd crosses the treadway at .37 miles. 3" dia. Cutback. Bow saw. Treadway enters an area of runoff at .39 miles with cut logs to the left of the treadway. Overhead bn at .44 miles. Pine boughs. 					

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bn at .48 miles.• Unnamed path leaves on the left at path width at .49 miles. Dorchester Trail continues northwest at road width.• The Dorchester Trail ends at its intersection with Holman Lane at .56 miles .03 miles from route 138 just south of the route 93 cloverleaf.<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Signage on Holman Lane indicates it as private property.		
MINOR PROBLEM AREAS	1. Minor erosion in the treadway noted as trail begins ascending at .20 miles through .25 miles. Drainpipe entering from the golf course as well as water from the golf course hill is causing this erosion. Two water bars should be considered to resolve if desired. (1)		
MAJOR PROBLEM AREAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None noted		
DISTANCES TO MAJOR INTERSECTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Intersection marker 5174 to Dorchester Trail end at Holman Lane - .56 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)