

Friends of the Blue Hills

Trail Volunteer Work Report

Work date (mm/dd/yy): 5/16/09

Report date: 5/18/09

Your name: Bob Mazairz

List Volunteers working with you:

Greg Richards, Joe Woodman, Jim Kaemmerlen, Jim Green, Aaron Weiss (new), Alec Hartford, Jacob xxxxxx(he was at the North Pkg lot near the trailside Museum event), Dave Humphreys

Trail Name: Wolcott Path

Section Name/Description:

70% of the distance from DCR headquarters to Hancock Hill Path

Work Completed (Please be specific with location of work. Note hazards & potential hazards addressed if applicable):

This included re-establishing 75 yards of new drainage ditch that had been completely filled in with gravel, removing the leaves and debris for the remainder of the section worked on and scattering them downslope (on the opposite side of the path), clearing and improving 5 waterbars, and restoring the connection of a 6th waterbar to the drainage ditch near the new stairway the AMC built. The stairway construction completely blocked the drainage ditch and forced all the water onto the path - but not into the pre-existing waterbar right at the base of the stairway because it had been cut off from the drainage ditch. Essentially the drainage ditch reached a deadend, but the water-removal system has now been restored. Multiple bicyclists, equestrians, plus two DCR vehicles let us know that the grade reversals permitted smooth travel.

Total Hours (# of people x hours worked): 22.75

Work Remaining:

The remaining 30% of the trail between DCR headquarters and Hancock Hill Path nearest to Hancock Hill Path hasn't been touched yet.

Other comments (areas of concern, wildlife sightings, trail markings and signage condition, need for re-route, possible encroachment):

Ring-necked snake (first sighting in this area according to Ale)

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