

PISCASSIC GREENWAY



TRAIL GUIDE



Trailheads and Parking

Neal Mill Road (Newmarket, NH)
or Halls Mill Road or
Bald Hill Road (Newfields, NH)

493 acres • 3.4 miles of easy/moderate trails



Nature's Corridor

The Piscassic Greenway links two blocks of protected land in Newmarket and Exeter to create more than 4,000 acres for public use. In 2005, much of this land was slated as a 102-unit subdivision, but SELT, the Trust for Public Land, and the Town of Newfields stepped in and raised funding to conserve the land as open space for the community.

The Greenway has since grown with the acquisition of the 69-acre Cole Farm, the 59-acre Tucker Tract, and the 32-acre Gaziano Tract. The land offers open fields, ponds, wetlands, mature forests, productive soils for farming, and shoreline on the Piscassic River.

There are approximately 3.5 miles of trails on the property that are available for hiking, hunting, cross-country skiing, and bird watching. Mountain biking, snowmobiling and horseback riding are also allowed, but only on designated trails. Trails are blazed and range from easy to moderate difficulty.

Visitors can park at the lot on Bald Hill Road in Newfields or a small parking area at the end of Halls Mills Road. (Please do not block abutters' driveways.) Visitors can also access the Greenway via a short spur trail off the Rockingham Recreational Trail that connects to the Byrne Trail.



Trail Descriptions

● **Otis Hill Trail**

This trail is 0.6 miles in length and connects to the unmaintained, dirt portion of the Halls Mill Road. This trail is open to mountain biking.

● **Byrne Trail**

This gently rolling mile-long trail runs from the northern to the southern edge of the property. It is open to mountain biking, snowmobiling and horseback riding.

● **Byrne Spur**

Accessible from Halls Mill Road, this 0.4-mile trail runs into Byrne Trail and loops around to Otis Hill Trail making a 1.6-mile loop around the Greenway. A bridge over the wetland offers a platform for visitors to sneak a glance at turtles, birds, and other wildlife in the beaver pond.

● **Mraz Trail**

This trail begins on Bald Hill Road and offers an easy 1.7-mile round trip loop through fields and forests. Both the north and south loop connect to the Byrne Trail.



Enjoy the Trails!

The Piscassic Greenway is owned and managed by SELT and is open for public enjoyment. Please follow these visitation guidelines:

- Carry out what you carry in.
- Leave things where and as you find them – no cairns, rock art.
- Stay on marked trails, respect designated trail uses and prohibitions and use only designated trailhead parking.
- Respect wildlife.
- Respect other users of the trails and our neighbors.
- Control your dog(s). Be aware where they may be required to be on leash or any areas they may not be allowed.
- Hunting is allowed on most SELT lands. Be aware of hunting season and wear blaze orange for your own safety.

The following uses are not permitted:

- Camping
- Fires
- Target Shooting
- Trapping
- Wheeled motorized vehicles

About SELT

The Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire is a membership-based, nonprofit whose mission is to protect and sustain the significant lands in our communities for clean water, outdoor recreation, fresh food, wildlife, and healthy forests.

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Piscassic Greenway

Newfields & Newmarket 516 acres

Piscassic Greenway Boundary

Other Public & Conservation Lands

Other SELT Conservation Land

Forest

Field

Shrublands

Parking Areas

161

KIOSK

FOOT BI

Gate

Trails

Mileage between

Class A Trail

Public Roads

Town Boundaries

Contour Lines

Water

River/Stream

Wetlands

Feet

Source: Southeast Land Trust of New Hampshire



TRAIL USES				
Byrne	✓	✓	✓	✓
Byrne Spur	✓	✓	✗	✓
Halls Mill Road	✓	✓	✓	✓
Mraz	✓	✗	✗	✗
Neal Mill Road	✓	✓	✓	✓
Old Lee Road	✓	✓	✓	✓
Otis Hill	✓	✓	✗	✗