Town of Kennebunk, Maine



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Maintenance Plan for the Eastern Trail

The Eastern Trail is a significant asset within the Town of Kennebunk. It is the intent of the Town to dedicate the necessary resources to properly maintain this important and valued recreational and transportation amenity. This represents the Town of Kennebunk's Maintenance Plan for the portion of the Eastern Trail within its municipal boundaries.

Funding

The Town of Kennebunk annually appropriates funding for the maintenance of roads, sidewalks, parks and other publicly traveled and utilized ways and facilities. Funds for maintenance of the Eastern Trail within Kennebunk will be appropriated within the budget established by the Department of Public Services.

Maintenance

This maintenance plan will involve annual maintenance work every spring and throughout the year as needed to ensure the trail is ready for each season, to include:

- Ongoing removal of all obstructions (trees, branches, etc.,) throughout the year.
- Evaluation of and response to erosion issues every spring to ensure the trail is ready for each season.
- In late fall and early spring of each year, the Town will inspect all culverts to ensure proper operation.
- On an as-needed basis, the Town will tend to necessary brush-cutting along the entire Trail within its borders.
- Continuous monitoring of the Trail over the years will occur to ensure that the trail is kept in good condition.

Monitoring

The Town anticipates that trail monitoring will occur by the Eastern Trail Management District and/or the Eastern Trail Alliance, and by regular and periodic users of the Trail. When reports are received as to maintenance needs, the Town will respond in a prompt and thorough manner so as to ensure a high level of maintenance and readiness of the Eastern Trail.

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