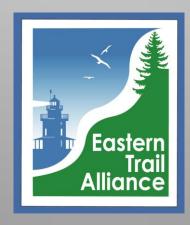


The Eastern Trail's Future

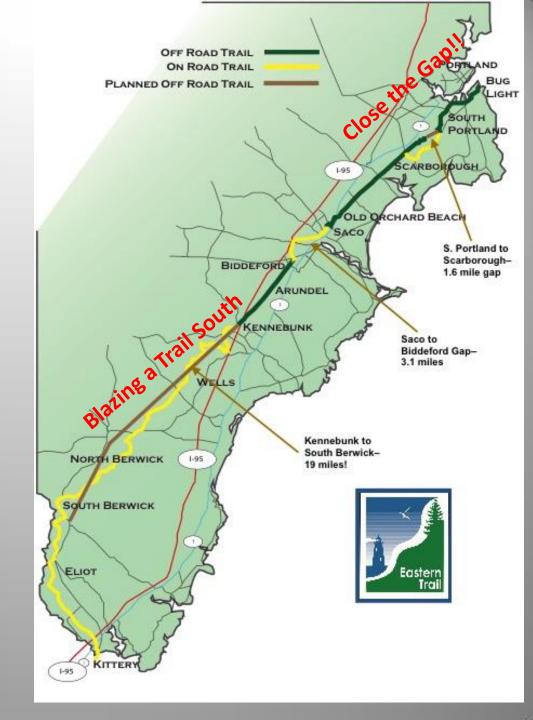
Filling in the Gaps, Extending Off-Road Miles



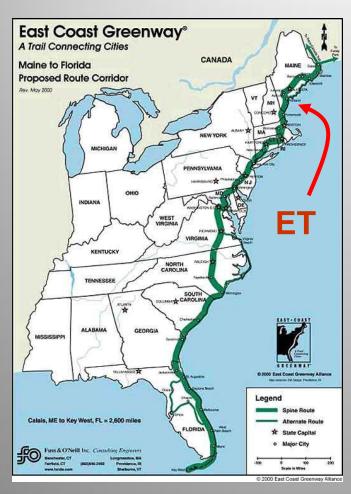
Present & Planned Off-Road Eastern Trail

Turning the Brown to Green:

- *South Portland–Scarborough: engineering studies completed; trail path approved; funding advancing well; plan to conclude fundraising and open completed trail in 2018!
- *Kennebunk–South Berwick: In 2017, the towns of Kennebunk and Wells raised \$70,000 and a recent grant was used to complete a survey of most of the abandoned railroad corridor to see where they can develop sections of useable trail. In 2018 they hope to complete that survey and apply for final design and construction funding.
- *Saco-Biddeford: the towns and the ETMD will continue to explore a cooperative rail-trail option with the owner of an operating railway that could link existing ET segments at Thornton Academy and Southern Maine Health Center.



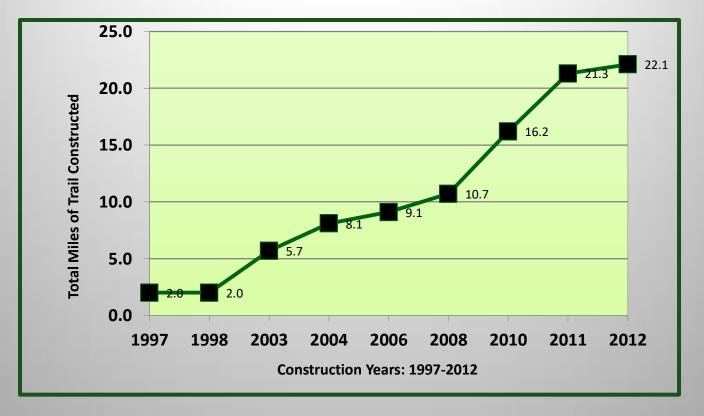
Eastern Trail is part of the East Coast Greenway



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Commonly known as the "Urban Appalachian Trail"

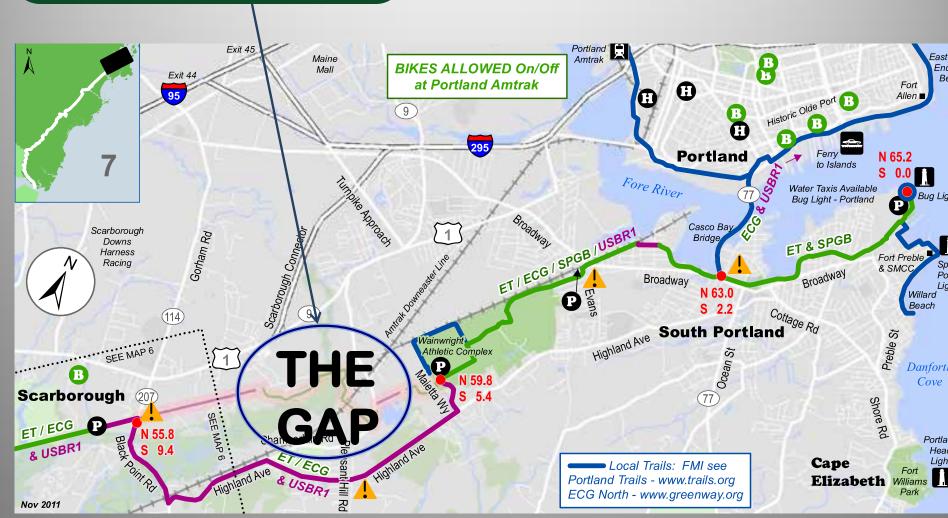
The Progress of Building the Off-Road Eastern Trail



<u>Section</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Total</u>
1997 South Portland Greenway	2.3 miles	2 miles
2003 South Portland Greenway	3.7 miles	6.0 miles
2004 Scarborough Marsh	2.5 miles	8.5 miles
2006 Defosses-Nonesuch River	1.0 miles	9.5 miles
2008 Scarborough to OOB line	1.6 miles	11.1 miles
2010 KAB (SMHC to KES)	5.5 miles	16.6 miles
2011 OOB to Saco (Thornton)	4.4 miles	21.7 miles
Turnpike Bridge to Rt 35	0.7 miles	22.4 miles

=>33% of entire trail

The South Portland-Scarborough 1.6 mile gap - \$4.1M



Closing the Gap on The Eastern Trail:

Wainwright Fields to the Nonesuch River



"Every dollar spent on trail development saves \$3 in medical expenses and adolescents who bike are 48 percent less likely to be overweight."

-Rose Harvey,
NY State Health Commissioner

"Great location on the Eastern Trail"



"Great opportunity to snag a spot in this desirable subdivision! Wide and flat lot with mature trees for privacy. Convenient to turnpike and interstate. Beaches and the Eastern Trail just around the corner"

Extending the Eastern Trail will increase real estate values and local business investments.

"Beautifully crafted traditional architecture frames the scenes of daily life, while our location on the Eastern Trail takes you away from the everyday."

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