APPENDICES
Appendix A – Open Space and Trail Maps
Goal 1. Preserve open space for the Town’s overall benefit.
   Objectives
   A. Through both acquisition and conservation agreements, develop additional open space permanently protected by the Town, State or non-profit organizations.
   B. Develop a schedule and process to regularly review land use changes, identify and prioritize areas for protection and acquisition based on open space value.
   C. Increased public awareness of opportunities to preserve open space
   D. Maintain rural character.
   E. Explore adding permanent protections to all Town-owned open space not currently protected.

Goal 2. Improve community appreciation, understanding, active involvement and commitment to conservation.
   Objectives
   A. Develop message and material about benefits of open space preservation
   B. Spread the message. Educate residents about the need and benefits of open space preservation.
   C. Increase the number and level of involvement of persons who support financially, volunteer, or otherwise contribute to open space for conservation purposes.

Goal 3. Improve, expand, and manage open space-related recreational opportunities.
   Objectives
   A. Educate residents regarding the existence and availability of open space-related recreation areas.
   B. Improve condition of Town’s open space-related recreation areas
   C. Work with State agencies to incorporate use of state-owned land adjacent to Town-owned land for open space-related recreational opportunities such as hiking and other natural resource-related activities.
   D. Cooperate and collaborate with nearby/adjacent towns to formulate agreements regarding lift, Pheasant Lake Chauncey, and Westborough State Hospital.

Goal 4. Improve, expand, and manage recreation opportunities, facilities and programs.
   Objectives
   A. Continue to raise awareness of Town recreation opportunities, facilities and programs.
   B. Continue to evaluate Town recreation opportunities, facilities and programs.
   C. Develop a resource development strategy or business plan to support the Town’s recreation departments, activities (including program scholarships), recreation area maintenance and improvements.
   D. Improve condition of Town’s recreation properties.
   E. Work with State agencies to incorporate use of state-owned land adjacent to Town-owned land for active recreation.
   F. Increase access and use of recreation facilities and programs to more users.

Legend
Limited, Non-Profit
Limited, Private
Permanent, Non-Profit
Permanent, Private
Permanent, Public

This map was produced by the Town of Northborough Geographic Information System (GIS) staff using data collected from the Massachusetts GIS Technical Committee and data from Northborough.

This map is part of a series created in coordination with the Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Council (CMRPC) for use in the Town’s current Open Space Plan.

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March 2010
Five-Year Action Plan

Some Other General Actions:
Identify and prioritize parcels for conservation protection
Satisfy town-wide need for recreation facilities
Update sidewalk Master Plan
Digitize parcel data
Promote cluster development
Certify wetlands, vernal pools and intermittent streams

Legend

- Existing Trails
- Ch 61 Lands
- Protected Lands

Southborough Open Space and Recreation Plan
2008

Conway School of Landscape Design
March 2008
Jennifer McElligott, Brian Trippe, Greg Walzer
MAP 8

OPEN SPACE PLAN
INTERCOMMUNITY TRAIL LINKS

CITY OF MARLBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS
2010

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Charm Bracelet Trail Maps

Map List
1. Mill Pond
2. Headwaters Conservation Area
3. Libbey Conservation Area and Wilc Forest
4. Upper Jackstraw Brook
5. Bowman Conservation Area West
6. Bowman Conservation Area
7. South Cedar Swamp
8. SVT Walkup Robinson Reservation
9. SVT Cedar Hill and Sawink Reservations

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Town of Westborough Trail Map

- Charm Bracelet Trails
- Other Trails

Open Space:
- State Protected
- Town Protected
- Land Trust Protected
- Private Protected
- APR Protected
- APR Protected
- Town Recreation

July 10, 2012
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The MetroWest Regional Open Space Connectivity Plan was funded by the Massachusetts Environmental Trust (MET) and was collected through a Conservation Project Incentive Program (CPIP) project. This allowed for the inclusion of Priority Preservation Areas identified by municipal staff or officials as having preservation value due to environmental, recreational, educational, or connectivity reasons.

Project Description

The MetroWest Regional Open Space Connectivity Plan was funded by the District Local Technical Assistance Program. It illustrates how the open space and trails system in each of the nine (9) MetroWest Regional Collaborative member municipalities can become linked into an interconnected regional network, crossing municipal boundaries and connecting to other trails and open space in the surrounding communities. The plan also identifies unprotected land of potential conservation interest that would enhance the connectivity and conservation value of the existing open space.

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Appendix B – Stakeholder Meeting Materials
Boroughs Park Feasibility Study
August 27, 2012
7:00 – 8:30 pm
Southborough Senior Centers

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions 7:00 PM
2. DLTA Project Overview 7:10 PM
   a. Background
   b. Major Tasks and Desired Outcomes
   c. Discussion
3. Discussion of Ongoing and Previous Related Efforts 7:35 PM
4. Discussion of Next Steps 8:05 PM
5. Meeting Conclusion 8:30 PM

Suggested Ground Rules for Discussion

- Everyone is encouraged to speak.
- One person should speak at a time.
- All ideas should be treated with respect; there are no right/wrong ideas or answers.
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- While expressing something you feel strongly about, be careful not to put down anyone.
- Try not to use acronyms or abbreviations.
- Be concise.
- Turn off the sound on your cell phone.
Boroughs Park Feasibility Study
Tuesday, November 20, 2012
7:00 – 9:00 pm
Conference Room B, 1st floor
Northborough Town Offices

AGENDA

Objectives:
- Complete identification of municipal and organizational partners working on open space, trail and other related conservation initiatives in the Boroughs study area
- Complete identification of open space, trail and other related conservation initiatives in the Boroughs study area
- Gather comments regarding potential structures for a regional collaboration

1. Welcome and Introductions 7:00 PM
   a. Review of Meeting Objectives

2. DLTA Project Background 7:10 PM
   a. Regional Coordination
   b. Trail Maintenance
   c. Promotion of Regional Open Space and Trail Resources

3. Review of Potential Municipal and Organizational Partners 7:20 PM

4. Review of Related Open Space, Trail and Other Related Initiatives 7:50 PM

5. Discussion of Potential Regional Collaboration Models 8:20 PM

6. Next Steps and Meeting Conclusion 8:50 PM

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Boroughs Park Feasibility Study
Project Meeting #3
Monday, January 7, 2013
7:00 – 9:00 pm
Town Hall Selectmen’s Meeting Room
Northborough Town Offices

AGENDA

Objectives:
• Complete review of potential activities/roles for a regional collaboration
• Identify and prioritize next steps for regional collaboration

1. Welcome and Introductions 7:00 PM
   a. Review Project Background and Meeting Objectives

2. Community Exchange 7:10 PM
   a. Brief overviews of ongoing related work in the Boroughs

3. Review of Potential Activities/Roles for a Regional Collaboration 7:30 PM

4. Identify Next Steps for Regional Collaboration 7:45 PM

5. Prioritize Next Steps for Regional Collaboration 8:00 PM

6. Identify Next Meeting Date and Meeting Conclusion 8:45 PM

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Boroughs Trail Feasibility Study - Meeting Participants

Arthur Bergeron    Marlborough Economic Development Corporation
Pricilla Ryder    Marlborough Conservation Commission
Bill Coder        Northborough Open Space Committee
Bob Mihalek       Northborough Trails Committee
Kathy Joubert     Northborough Planning Board
Doreen Ferguson   Southborough Recreation Commission
Frederica Gillespie Southborough Open Space Preservation Commission, Community Preservation Commission
Sally Watters     Southborough Open Land Foundation
Deborah Costine   Southborough Open Land Foundation, Bay Circuit Trail
Eric Denoncourt   Southborough Planning Board
Beth Rosenblum    Southborough Conservation Commission
Tim Kemper        Southborough Trails
Jim Robbins       Westborough Planning Board
Don Burn          Westborough Community Land Trust, Westborough Open Space Committee, Sudbury Valley Trustees, OARS
Dan Stimson       Sudbury Valley Trustees
Eli Rosinha       The Trustees of Reservations
Trish Settles     Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission
Vera Koliass      Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission
Barry Keppard     Metropolitan Area Planning Council
Boroughs Trail Feasibility Study
Feasibility analysis for the regional coordination and promotion of a potential trail corridor and network in Marlborough, Northborough, Southborough and Westborough

Project Fact Sheet

The Boroughs Trail Feasibility Study is exploring the feasibility of developing a coordinated approach to trails development, management and promotion in the city of Marlborough and the towns of Northborough, Southborough and Westborough.

The project will bring together local, state and private landowners together with business leaders and park, recreation and health advocates to discuss this approach.

Comprised of a chain of separately owned trails under public and private stewardship, the Boroughs Trail would be a regional recreational asset and economic development tool. The trail and the network of linkages would support a regional identity and provide an interconnected recreational hub having a long term impact on economic development, housing, public health, community engagement, equity and the quality of life in the Boroughs.

For more information, please visit: http://www.mapc.org/boroughstrail

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For more information about this study, please contact Trish Settles (Central Massachusetts Regional Planning Commission) at tsettles@cmrpc.org / (508) 459-3320 or Barry Keppard (Metropolitan Area Planning Council) at bkeppard@mapc.org / (617) 451-2770 x2083.