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Testimony in Support of LD 30

Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation to Implement the Recommendations of the Portland to Auburn Rail Use Advisory Council Regarding the Rail Line from Portland to Yarmouth

Presented to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation
March 4, 2025

Senator Nangle, Representative Crafts and members of the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation, my name is Mattie Daughtry. I serve as President of the Maine Senate and proudly represent Senate District 23, which includes Brunswick, Freeport, Harpswell, Pownal, Chebeague Island, and part of Yarmouth. I am here today to introduce LD 30, "Resolve, Directing the Department of Transportation to Implement the Recommendations of the Portland to Auburn Rail Use Advisory Council Regarding the Rail Line from Portland to Yarmouth."

This bill would direct the Department of Transportation to remove state-owned existing railroad track that is inactive along the section known as the Berlin Subdivision between the City of Portland and Royal River Park on East Elm Street in the Town of Yarmouth, and replace it with an interim bicycle and pedestrian trail. And it would direct them to do so within existing and available funding resources and incompliance with all permits and municipal agreements. This trail in particular, called the Berlin Line, would further expand transportation options by connecting bus routes and allowing those who don't drive more options for getting around.[1] When created in conjunction with the rail trail created by LD 29, the Merrrymeeting Trail and the Berlin Line would provide a path connecting Portland, Brunswick, and Augusta - opening up new recreation and commuter paths for some of our largest population centers.

I am very passionate about expanding access to the outdoors through the use of rail trails. Walking and biking are both low-barrier ways to enjoy time outside and get some exercise. According to the CDC, access to places to engage in physical activities like trails encourage those in the surrounding community to be active more often because trails provide a location that is insulated from traffic and other hazards.[2] And trails in particular are a good investment – the American Heart Association found that for each dollar a community invests into trails, almost three dollars could be saved in medical costs later because of increased physical activity.[3] I think everyone can agree that investing in the continued health of our communities is worth the effort.

Not only would building out our state's network of trails benefit our local communities, but it would also further cement Maine's reputation as a destination for outdoor recreation. And I don't think I need to tell anyone in this room how vital outdoor recreation tourism is in our state or how increased use of trails by tourists would benefit the communities surrounding those trails.

Thank you for your attention today. I urge you to pass LD 30 to provide more outdoor recreation options to Mainers and to all visitors to our state.

[1] https://cascobaytrail.org/

[2] https://www.cdc.gov/healthy-places/php/key-topics/parks.html?CDC_AAref_Val=https://www.cdc.gov/healthyplaces/healthtopics/parks.htm

 $[3] \underline{\ https://www.heart.org/-/media/files/about-us/policy-research/fact-sheets/physical-activity/active-transportation-fact-sheet-2019.pdf}$



INDIVIDUALS SIGNING PETITION OR TESTIFYING IN SUPPORT OF LD 30 or LD 511

<u>Petition</u>: We urge members of the Maine Legislature to pass LD 511 supporting an interim trail on the Casco Bay Trail route from Portland to Auburn, and we urge Governor Mills to sign this bill into law. This critical step has been long worked for by many, and presents a valuable opportunity to increase public health and safety, grow active transportation options, strengthen communities, encourage economic growth, and protect the environment for many Maine people.

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ORGANIZATIONS ENDORSING LD30 / LD511

Business Groups

Cumberland Crossing
L.L. Bean
Ocean View
Pinebury
Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce
Roux Institute at Northeastern University

Health Care Groups

American Heart Assoc, Maine Chapter
American Lung Assoc, Maine Chapter
Dempsey Center
InterMed
Maine Public Health Association
MaineHealth
Martin's Point Health Care
Northern Light Mercy Hospital
Orthopaedic Associates of Maine

Active Transportation Groups

Bicycle Coalition of Maine
Casco Bay Trail Alliance
East Coast Greenway Alliance
Eastern Trail Alliance
Maine Trails Coalition
Portland Bike-Ped Advisory Council
Portland Trails
Rails to Trails Conservancy
Teens to Trails
Vision Zero Maine

Environmental Groups

Androscoggin Land Trust
Conservation Law Foundation
Maine Conservation Voters
Maine Island Trail Association
Natural Resources Council of Maine
Portland Parks Conservancy
Royal River Conservation Trust

Local Bike Shops

Boulder Nordic & Cycle Sport, East Busy Town Bikes CycleMania Gorham Bike and Ski KB Wheels Port City Bikes Portland Gear Hub Rainbow Bicycle

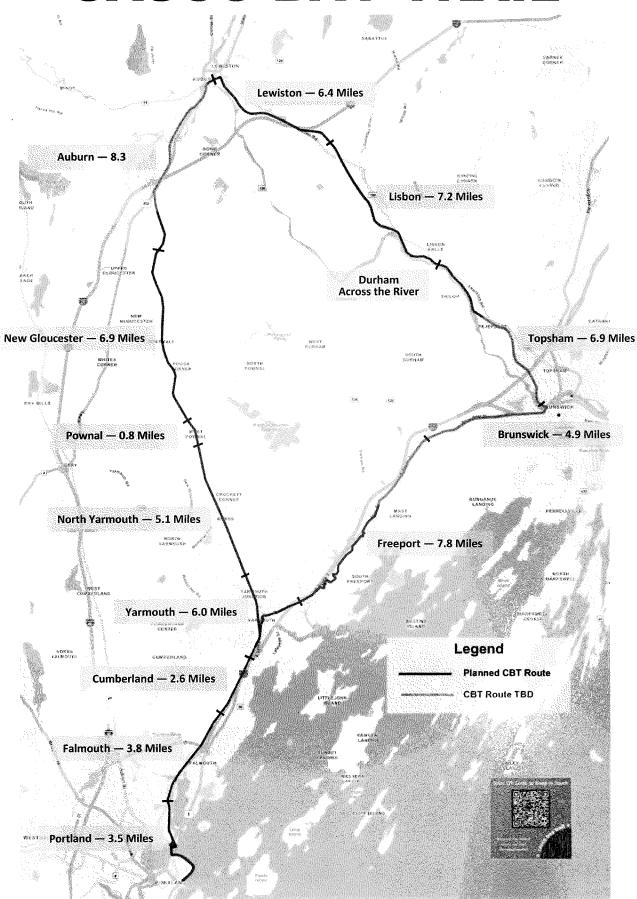
Local Bicycle Clubs

Casco Bay Bike Club Forest City Cycling Friday Coffee Ride Group Maine Cycling Club

Local Breweries

Allagash Brewing Company Rising Tide Brewery Orange Bike Brewing Company

CASCO BAY TRAIL

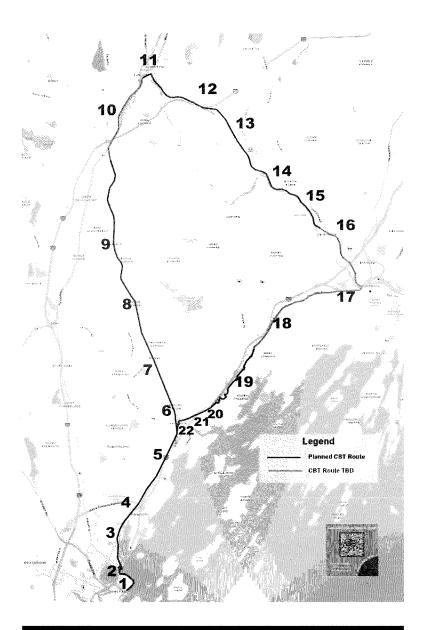


Overview

The proposed Casco Bay Trail is an off-road bikeway loop serving fourteen communities between Portland, Lewiston-Auburn and Brunswick. It will provide a safe from traffic, active transportation option for 225,000 residents in one of the busiest travel regions in Maine.

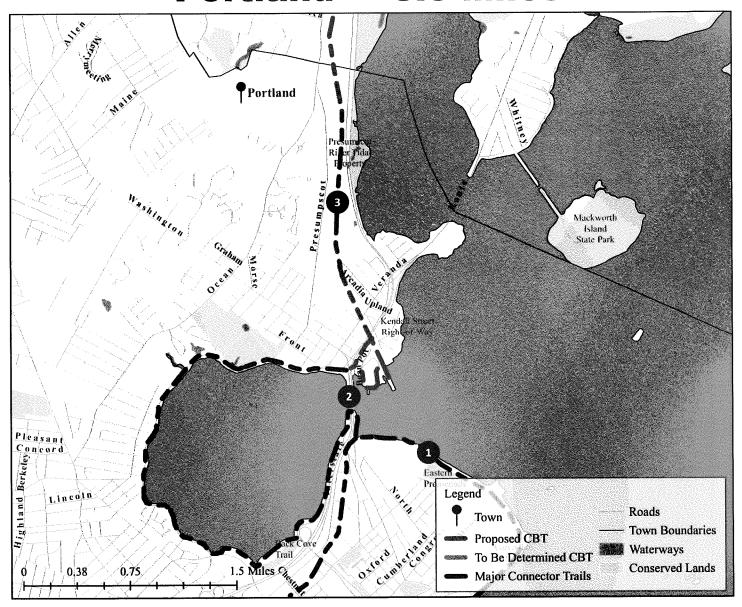
Trail Segments

Portland
1. Eastern Prominade Trail 1.5
2. Tukey's Bridge
Falmouth 4. Full Falmouth Corridor
Cumberland 5. Full Cumberland Corridor 2.6
Yarmouth
6. Cumberland to North Yarmouth 3.3
21. Freeport to Beth Condon Pathway 1.0 22. Beth Condon Pathway 1.7
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New Gloucester
9. Full New Gloucester Corridor 6.9
Auburn 10. Danville Junction to Downtown 7.6
11A. Auburn Riverwalk
Lewiston
11B. Lewiston Riverwalk 0.5
12. Downtown to Lisbon Border 5.9
Lisbon
13. Lisbon Border to Papermill Trail 3.6 14. Papermill Trail 2.6
15. Papermill Trail to Topsham Border 1.0
Topsham
16. Full Topsham Corridor 6.9
Brunswick
17. Full Brunswick Corridor 4.9
Freeport
18. Brunswick Border to Downtown 3.4
19. Downtown to YMCA 4.0 20. YMCA to Yarmouth Border 0.4
Estimated Total Miles



These segments are potential project components at varying stages of development. Each segment progresses through a sequence of stages from route identification to public control to trail use authorization to design and engineering to funding to construction to completed trail. Many components are on rail corridors no longer used by trains.

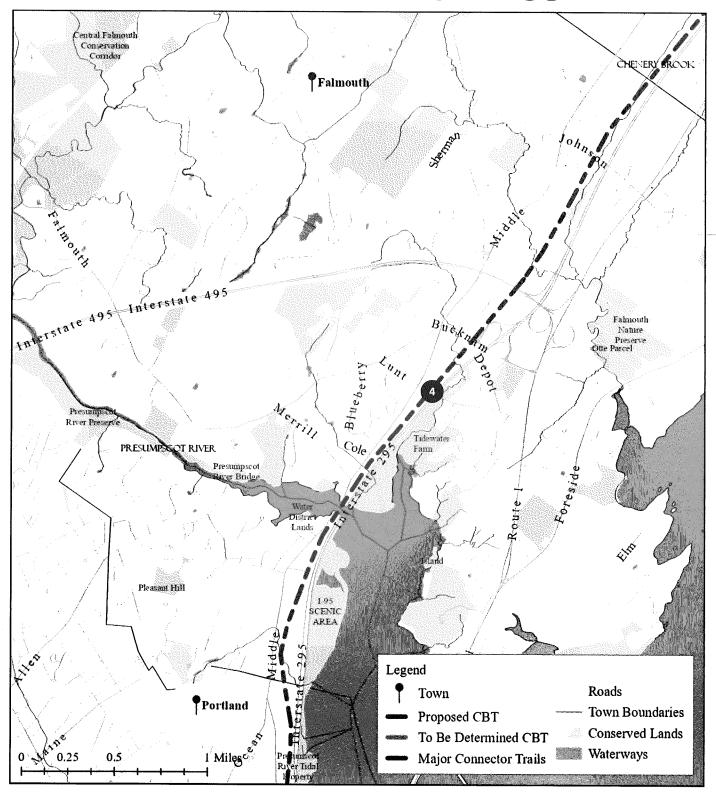
Portland — 3.5 Miles



Portland Segments

- Eastern Promenade Trail (1.5 Miles, Completed). This popular 1.5-mile waterfront multi-use trail has been called the "crown jewel" of Portland's trail network. It is built along an old rail corridor and offers spectacular harbor and ocean views. It connects directly to Tukey's Bridge and the Back Cove Trail.
- Tukey's Bridge to Roux Institute (0.5 Miles, Funded). As part of the Roux Institute access plan, federal funding is approved for a pedestrian and bicycle trail on the eastern side of Tukey's bridge, ramping up to the bridge from the Eastern Promenade trail to the south and from the Roux campus to the north.
- Roux Institute to the Falmouth border (1.5 Miles, RUAC Recommended). This segment is on the unused and state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. A recent MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Council (RUAC) recommended interim trail use of the corridor. The first mile is likely to include a rail with trail design to accommodate the boat transportation needs of the Portland Yacht Center. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

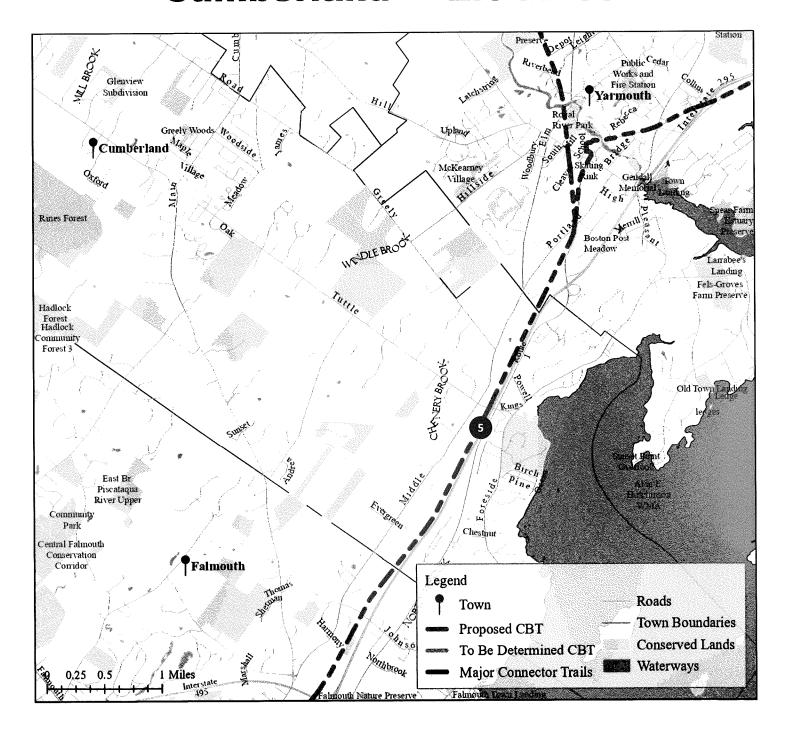
Falmouth — 3.8 Miles



Falmouth Segment

Full Falmouth Segment (3.8 Miles, RUAC Recommended). The entire trail in Falmouth is on the unused and state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. A key feature of this segment is a picturesque bridge over the Presumpscot River. A recent MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Committee (RUAC) recommended interim trail use of the entire corridor through Falmouth. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

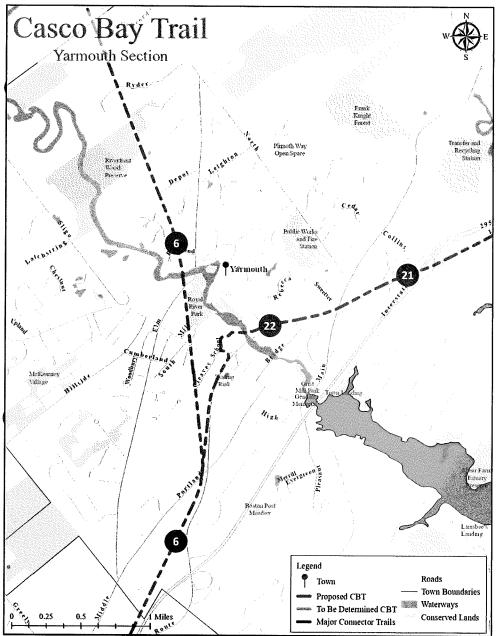
Cumberland — 2.6 Miles



Cumberland Segment

Full Cumberland Segment (2.6 Miles, RUAC Recommended). The entire trail in Cumberland is on the unused, state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. A recent MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Committee (RUAC) recommended interim trail use of the corridor through Cumberland. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

Yarmouth — 6.0 Miles



Beth Condon Pathway

Yarmouth Segments



Cumberland Border to North Yarmouth Border (3.3 Miles. RUAC Recommended). This Yarmouth segment is on the unused, state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. The segment is also where the Casco Bay Trail forks left (toward Lewiston-Auburn) or right (toward Brunswick) to create the loop. A recent MaineDOT Rail **Use Advisory Committee** recommended interim trail use on this segment. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

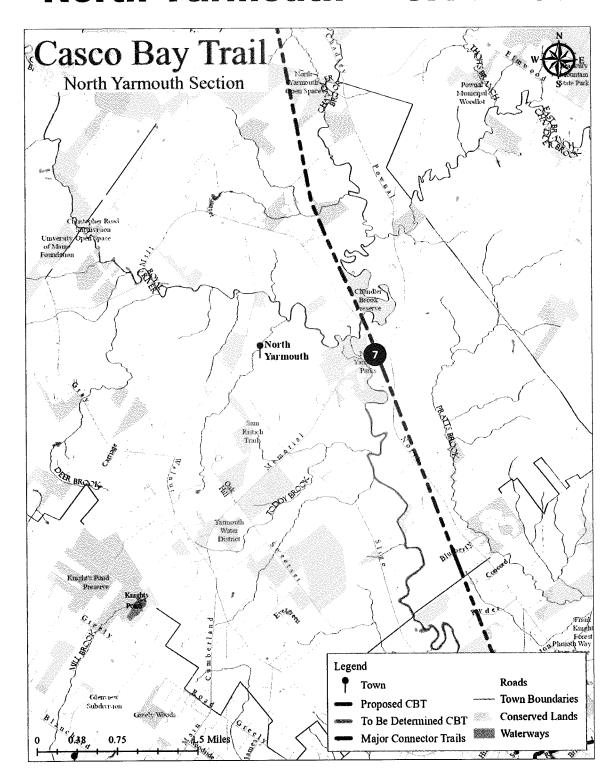


Beth Condon Pathway Extension (1.0 Miles, Funded). This segment runs from the Freeport border, across the Cousins River bridge, under Route 295 at exit 17 to the current end-point of the Beth Condon Pathway. The project is designed, funded, and part of the current MaineDOT work plan.

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Beth Condon Pathway (1.7 Miles, Completed). This existing pathway runs through Royal River Park and downtown Yarmouth and completes the Casco Bay Trail loop. The pathway is named in honor of a Yarmouth student who was struck by a drunk driver while walking along US Route 1.

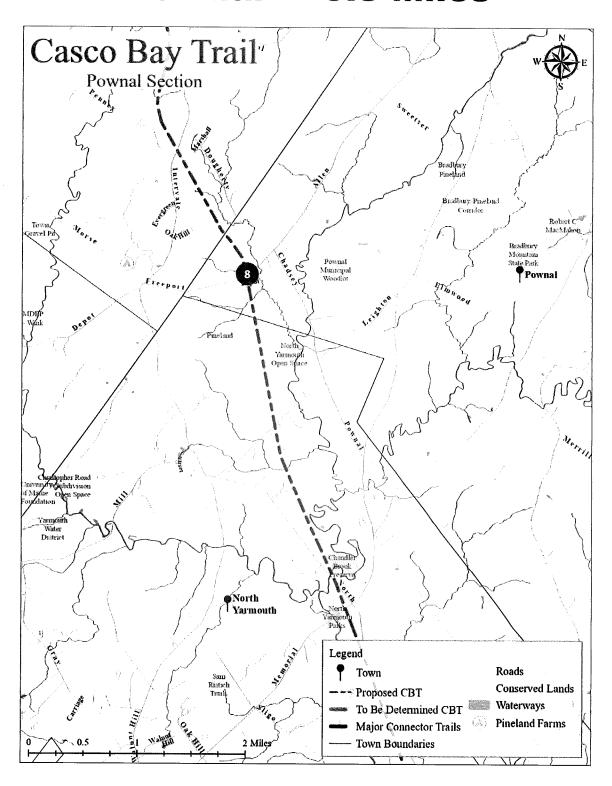
North Yarmouth — 5.1 Miles



North Yarmouth Segment

Full North Yarmouth Segment (5.1 Miles, RUAC Recommended). The entire trail in North Yarmouth is on the unused, state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. This segment, along with segments 8 and 9, pass through many of the beautiful park and conservation lands of the Royal River watershed. A recent MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Committee (RUAC) recommended interim trail use of the corridor through North Yarmouth. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

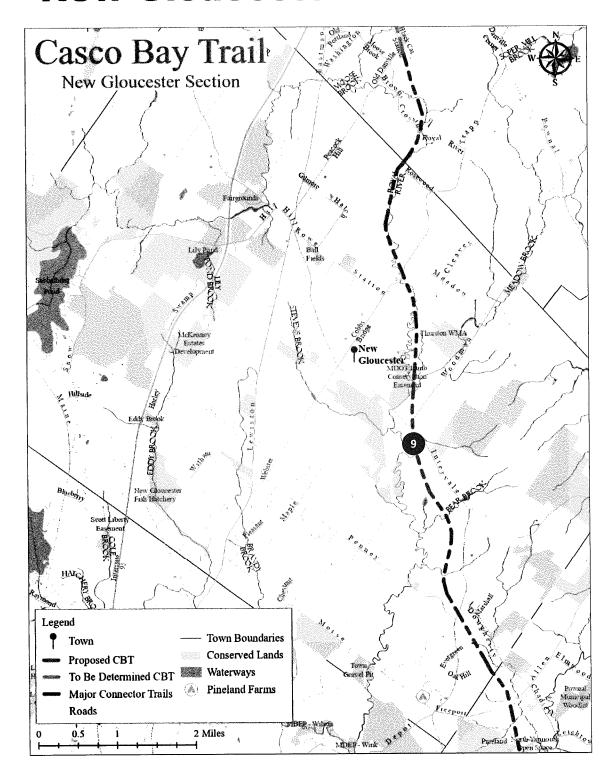
Pownal — 0.8 Miles



Pownal Segment

Full Pownal Segment (0.8 Miles, RUAC Recommended). The entire trail in Pownal is on the unused, state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. This segment also connects with the Bradbury-Pineland Corridor Trail, providing access to Bradbury State Park and the extended trail facilities at Pineland Farms. A recent MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Committee (RUAC) recommended interim trail use of the corridor through Pownal. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

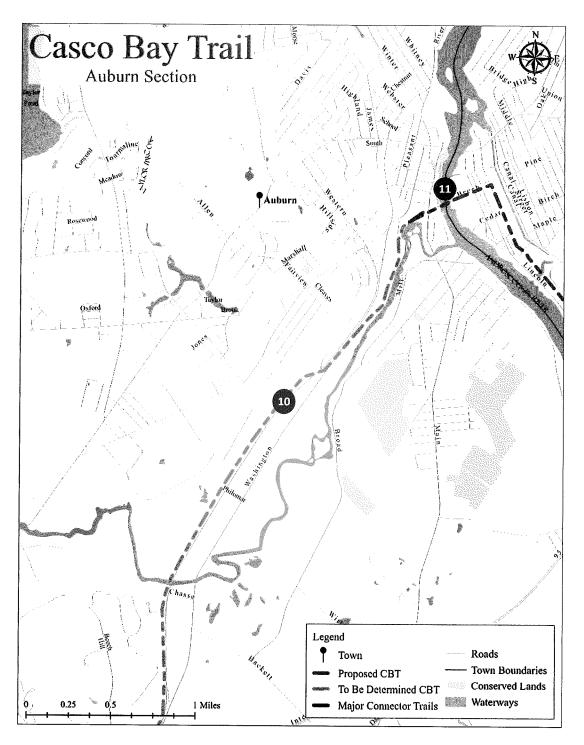
New Gloucester — 6.9 Miles



New Gloucester Segment

Full New Gloucester Segment (6.9 Miles, RUAC Recommended). The entire trail in New Gloucester is on the unused, state-owned Berlin Subdivision rail corridor. Like segments 7 and 8, this segment passes through many of the park and conservation lands of the Royal River watershed, including <u>Pisgah Hill Preserve</u>, <u>Intervale Preserve</u>, <u>Thurston Wildlife Marsh</u>, and Pineland Farms. A recent MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Committee (RUAC) recommended interim trail use of the corridor through New Gloucester. Final trail authorization is pending legislative approval.

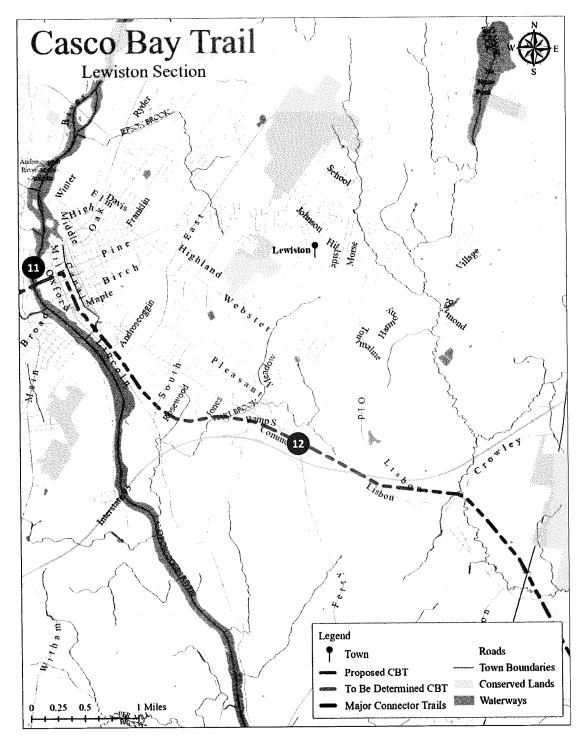
Auburn — 8.3 Miles



Auburn Segments

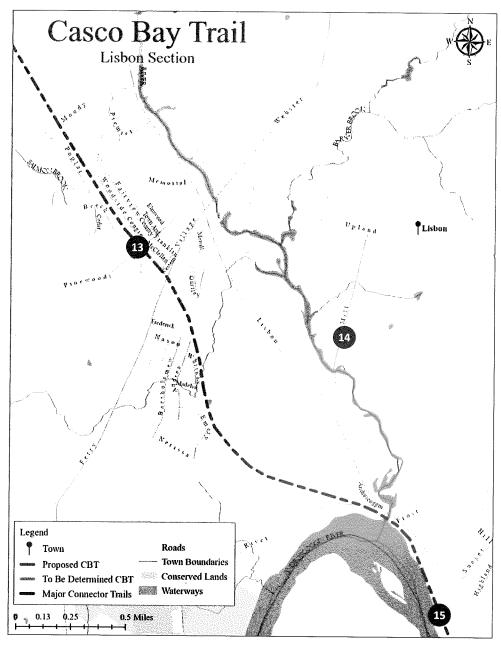
- Danville Junction to Downtown (7.6 Miles, Route TBD). The rail trail on the Berlin Subdivision rail corridor ends at Danville Junction, near the New Gloucester-Auburn border. The route from there to downtown Auburn is to be determined, but the Auburn community is engaged in a redevelopment of the entire route 202 corridor into Auburn, and active transportation is a key aspect of their municipal planning.
- Auburn Riverwalk (0.7 Miles, Completed). As highlighted on traillink, the Auburn Riverwalk passes through the heart of the old mill district of the Twin Cities of Auburn and Lewiston. The paved and gravel path offers many scenic views of the Androscoggin River, the powerhouse that fueled the historic mill industry.

Lewiston — 6.4 Miles



- Lewiston Riverwalk (0.5 Miles, Completed). As highlighted on traillink, the Lewiston Riverwalk passes through the old mill district of the Twin Cities of Auburn and Lewiston. The paved and gravel path offers many scenic views of the Androscoggin River, the powerhouse that fueled the historic mill industry.
- Downtown Lewiston to Lisbon Border (5.9 Miles, Negotiations in Process). This segment is located on the inactive Lewiston Lower Rail corridor. It has been envisioned as a rail trail for 25 years. The corridor is owned by CSX, and the Lewiston-Auburn Railroad Company (owned by the cities of Lewiston and Auburn) is discussing with CSX the possibilities for using the corridor as a trail. A preliminary engineering assessment has been conducted by Sebago Technics.

Lisbon — 7.2 Miles





Lisbon Segments



Auburn Border to Papermill Trail (3.6 Miles, Negotiations in Process). This segment is located on the inactive Lewiston Lower Rail corridor. It has been envisioned as a rail trail for 25 years. The corridor is owned by CSX, and the Lewiston-Auburn Railroad Company (owned by the cities of Lewiston and Auburn) is discussing with CSX the possibilities for using the corridor as a trail. A preliminary engineering assessment has been conducted by Sebago Technics.

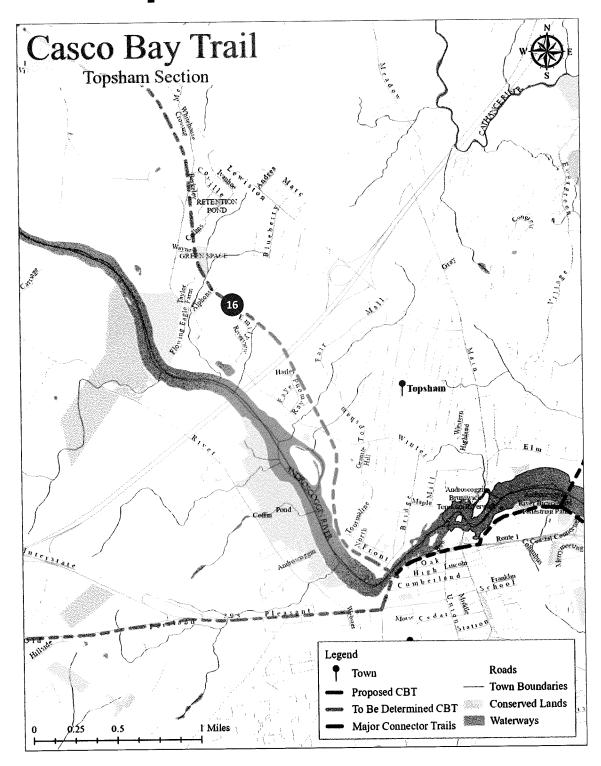


Papermill Trail (2.6 Miles, Completed). This existing paved trail runs along the Sabattus and Androscoggin Rivers and through fields and woods in the town of Lisbon and Lisbon Falls.



Papermill Trail to Topsham Border (1.0 Miles, RUAC In Process). This segment is located on the unused state-owned Lewiston Lower Rail Corridor. A MaineDOT Rail Use Advisory Council is evaluating its potential trail use.

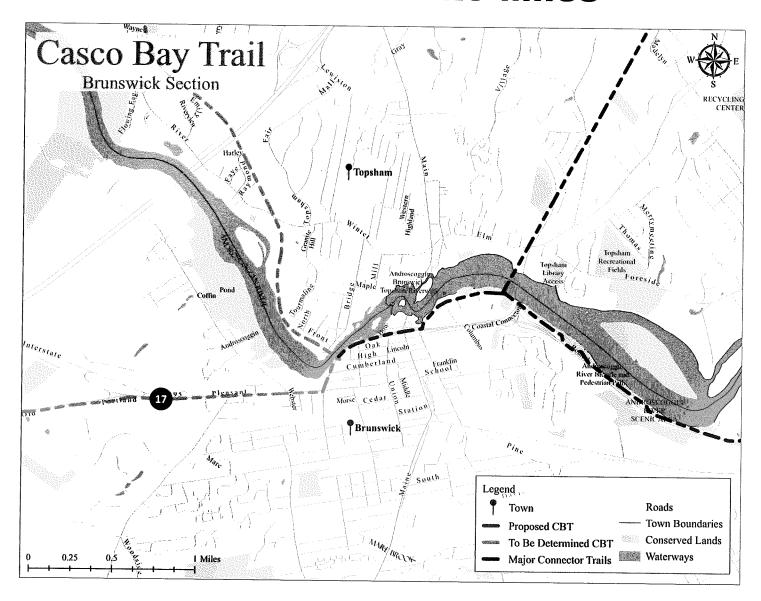
Topsham — 6.9 Miles



Topsham Segment

Full Topsham Segment (6.9 Miles, Route TBD). The state owns the rail corridor between Lisbon and Topsham. The corridor is used for freight transportation, but trips are rare. Because it is an active corridor, discussions about the potential use of this corridor as a rail trail or rail-with-trail have not been initiated to date. But given the infrequency of its use by trains, and its ownership by the state, its potential use as a rail trail or rail-with-trail seems worth exploring.

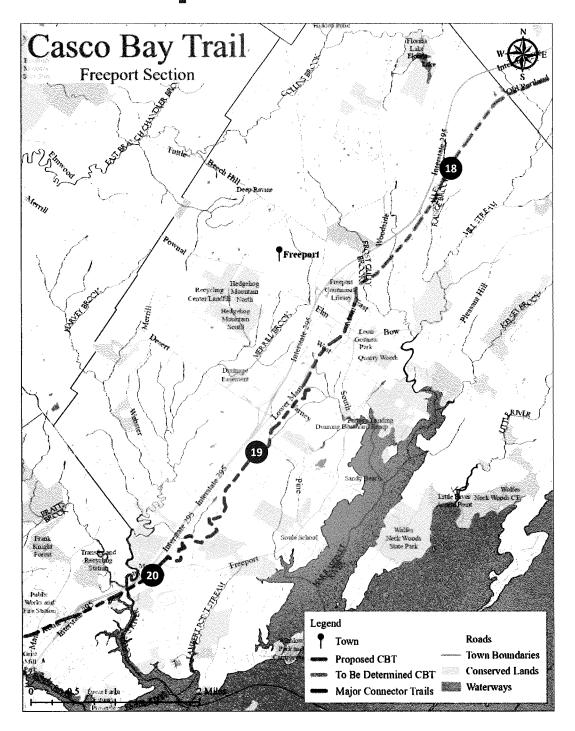
Brunswick — 4.9 Miles



Brunswick Segment

Full Brunswick Segment (4.9 Miles, Route TBD). While no route has been identified for the Casco Bay Trail through Brunswick, discussions are in progress. The vision is a Brunswick hub for not just the Casco Bay Trail, but the Capitol to Coast Trail, the Merrymeeting Trail, and the dividing gateway to the East Coast Greenway's inland and coastal routes.

Freeport — 7.8 Miles



Freeport Segments

- 18 Brunswick Border to Downtown (3.4 Miles, Route TBD). No route has been identified for this portion of the Casco Bay Trail loop.
- Downtown to Casco Bay YMCA (4.0 Miles, Preliminary Route Identification). Many Freeport town committees have been engaged in identifying a Casco Bay trail route from the Yarmouth border to downtown Freeport and preliminary plans are taking shape.
- Casco Bay YMCA to Yarmouth Border (0.4 Miles, Planned, Funding Needed). The basic design for this extension of the Beth Condon Pathway from Yarmouth is in place. Funding still needs to be obtained.



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