



Monroe Housatonic Railbed Trail

Trail Highlights

The trail begins at Purdy Hill Road and runs north along Doc Silverstone Drive, the access road to Great Hollow Lake in William E. Wolfe Park. The trail then branches off the paved roadway to a stone dust trail, winding north through scenic forested areas. It runs along Pepper Street for portions and breaks away to wind north through the forest, to its terminus at the Newtown town line.

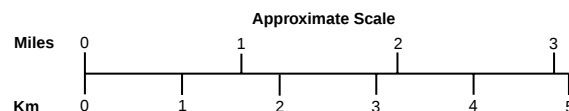
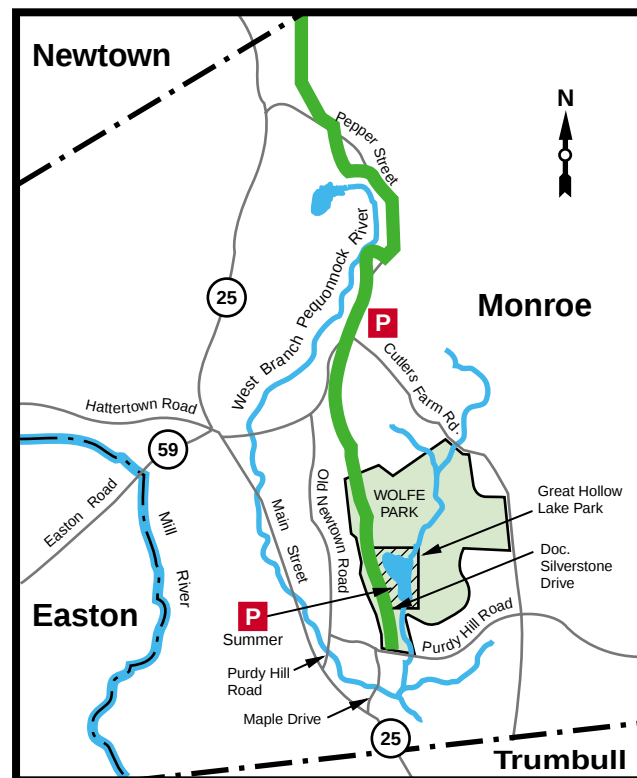
Parking and Accessibility

The trail is accessible from Purdy Hill Road, Cutlers Farm Road, and at three locations from Pepper Street. Parking is at an off-street lot at the intersection of Pepper Street and Cutlers Farm Road. From Labor Day to Memorial Day, parking is available at the Great Hollow Lake side of Wolfe Park. Park membership (fee required), which allows swimming, use of the beach, and nonmotorized boating on Great Hollow Lake, is required during the summer season.

From I-84: Take exit 11. At the end of the ramp take a left (west) on Wasserman Way. Follow this road to its intersection with Route 25. At this intersection, take a left (south) onto Route 25. Follow Route 25 to its intersection with Pepper Street; at this point turn left onto Pepper Street. The parking will be on the left at the intersection with Cutlers Farm Road. Or continue on Route 25 south to the intersection with Purdy Hill Road; at this intersection turn left (east) onto Purdy Hill Road. Follow Purdy Hill Road to the intersection with Doc Silverstone Road. At this intersection take a left into Wolfe Park.

From the Merritt Parkway (Route 15): Take exit 49 to Route 25 North. Turn right onto Purdy Hill Road or Pepper Street.

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Recommended Activities



Prohibited Activities



LOCATION: Monroe
ENDPOINTS: Purdy Hill Road to Newton town line
HOURS: Dawn to dusk
LENGTH: 4.25 miles
SURFACE: Stone dust and asphalt

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