TALKING TRAILS BREAKFAST

PRESENTED BY:

CABOT TRAILS COMMITTEE &
CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
WELCOME

- Introductions
- Cabot Trails Committee
- Recreation Trails Planning Grant
- Review of Purpose and Needs Statement
- Table Discussion
- Report out on Table Discussion
- Closing and Next Steps
INTRODUCTIONS

YOUR NAME AND
THE ROAD YOU LIVE ON?
CABOT TRAILS COMMITTEE

Historically number of efforts, including Recreation Committee

Established as stand alone committee by Town in 2019

Reports to Select Board

All volunteers, currently 7 (pending) members

Don’t have to be a member to participate, help!!

Focus is non-motorized use
RECREATION TRAILS PLANNING GRANT

● Municipal Planning Grant from the Agency of Commerce and Community Development
● 18 Month Ending in June 2020
● Project Deliverable include:
  ○ Land owner outreach material
  ○ Maps of destinations and potential trail corridors
  ○ Project Report including next steps and funding opportunities
Purpose Statement:

The Town of Cabot will evaluate the opportunities and constraints of developing a non-motorized trail network to link our designated village center to regional networks and local recreation amenities. We hope to increase outdoor opportunities to keep Cabot a nice place to live, work, and play.
**Needs Statement:** The primary goals are

The development of outdoor trails and paths to increase recreational opportunities in town and attract visitors to town which will boost the local economy.

Establish a well-coordinated effort to educate and recruit landowners for recreational trails. Given limited public land in Cabot, voluntary use of private land for outdoor recreation opportunities is essential.

Provide links for public assets such as Molly’s Falls Pond State Park, the Lamoille Valley Rail Trail and Cross-Vermont Trail in Marshfield.

Provide access between trails and the Village Center.

Provide safe corridors for cyclists and pedestrians.

Support ag-related tourism with trails and connectivity.

Keep the trail network accessible for a wide variety of users.

Keep the trail network easily maintainable.

Improve access for people with disabilities and older adults where feasible to enjoy recreation in Cabot.

Communicate recreation opportunities through maps and brochures.
TABLE DISCUSSION

- Facilitator
- Three questions
  - Where are the trails you use?
  - Where would you like trails to go?
  - What are your concerns about trails in town?
- Map
- Report out on discussion
CLOSING AND NEXT STEPS

- Cabot Trails Committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7 pm
- Landowner meeting in August/September
- Tabling at “Ride the Ridges” event in September
THANK YOU AND QUESTIONS?

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Project Web Site

http://centralvtplanning.org/towns/cabot-2/cabot-trail-working-group/