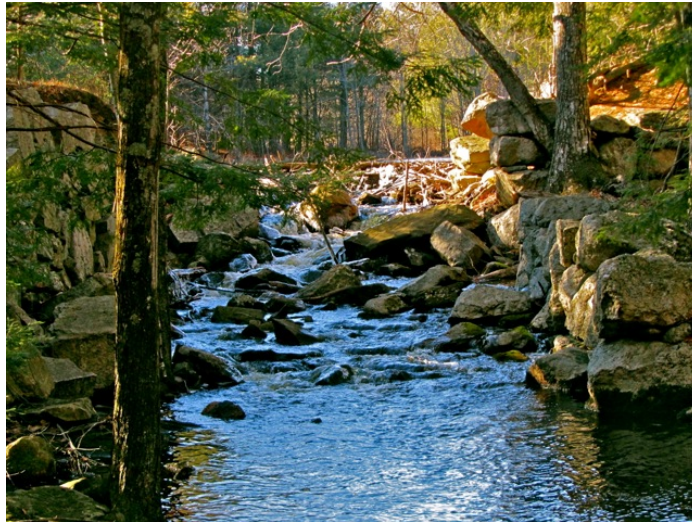


# Explore your Town With The Kingston Area Trail Passport



Don't forget to stop at the  
children's room in the  
library for your prize when  
you collect 5 Passport  
Stamps!

For more natural resource related  
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# Welcome to the Kingston

# Trail Passport!

## GET TO KNOW YOUR TOWN:

Did you know that the citizens of Kingston have protected over 2,000 acres of conservation land? These lands help to ensure that Kingston is and always will be a place that supports clean water, wildlife, birds, and nature exploration. Many of these properties have existing trails for you to explore. Through our Trails Passport program we hope to entice you and your family to discover some of these beautiful areas.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

Each Passport area is an easy and fun way to explore a small portion of the trails on these properties. You simply follow the maps or hiker trail markers to the passport rubbing location, (a post with an animal marker) place the corresponding page of your passport on top of the marker and make a rubbing with the side of a crayon or pencil. This will create a passport “stamp” for each site you visit.

### EARN A PRIZE:

When you have collected all five stamps, come in to the Kingston Community Library and pick up your certificate for a free "trail-blazer" ice cream at 'What's the Scoop'!

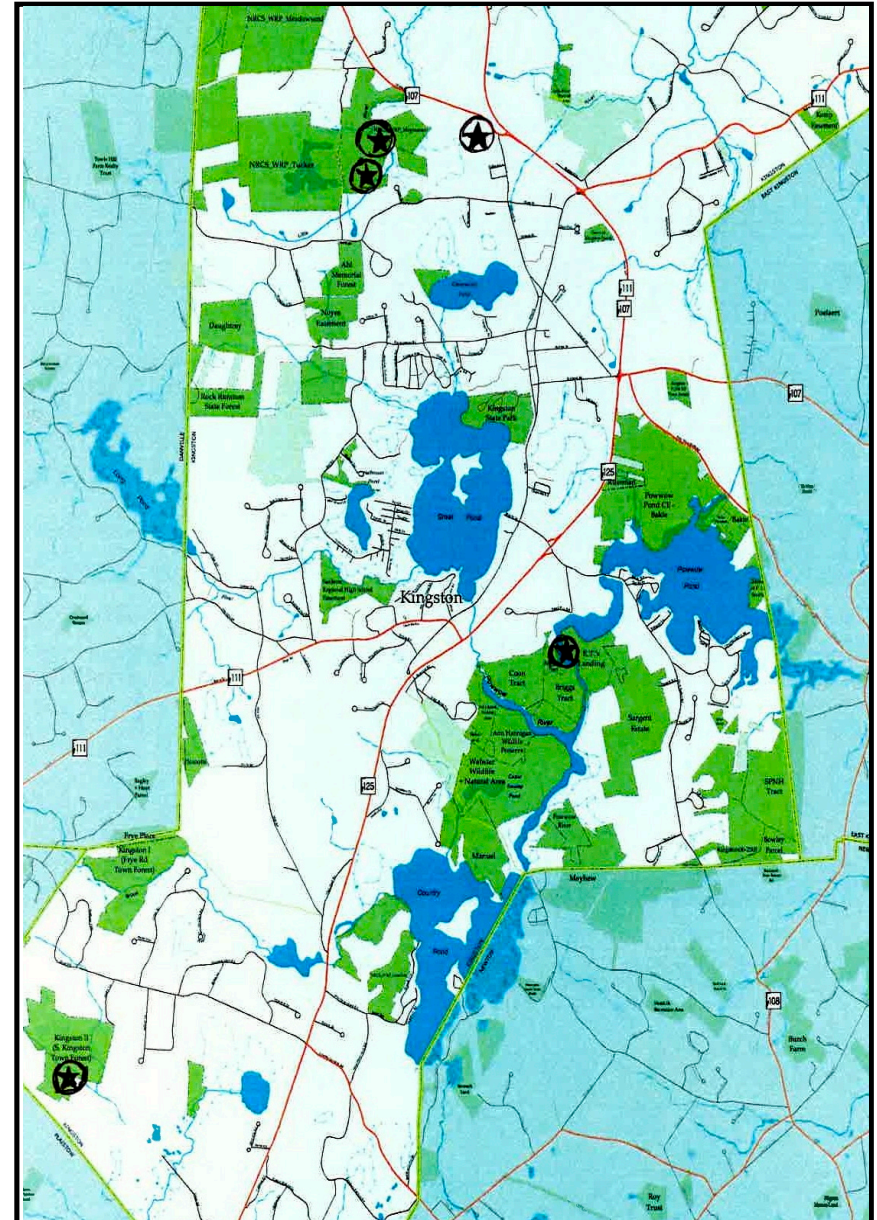
### EXPLORE FURTHER:

Some of these sites have maps for a larger trail network. We hope you will feel like exploring a little further!

### GET INVOLVED:

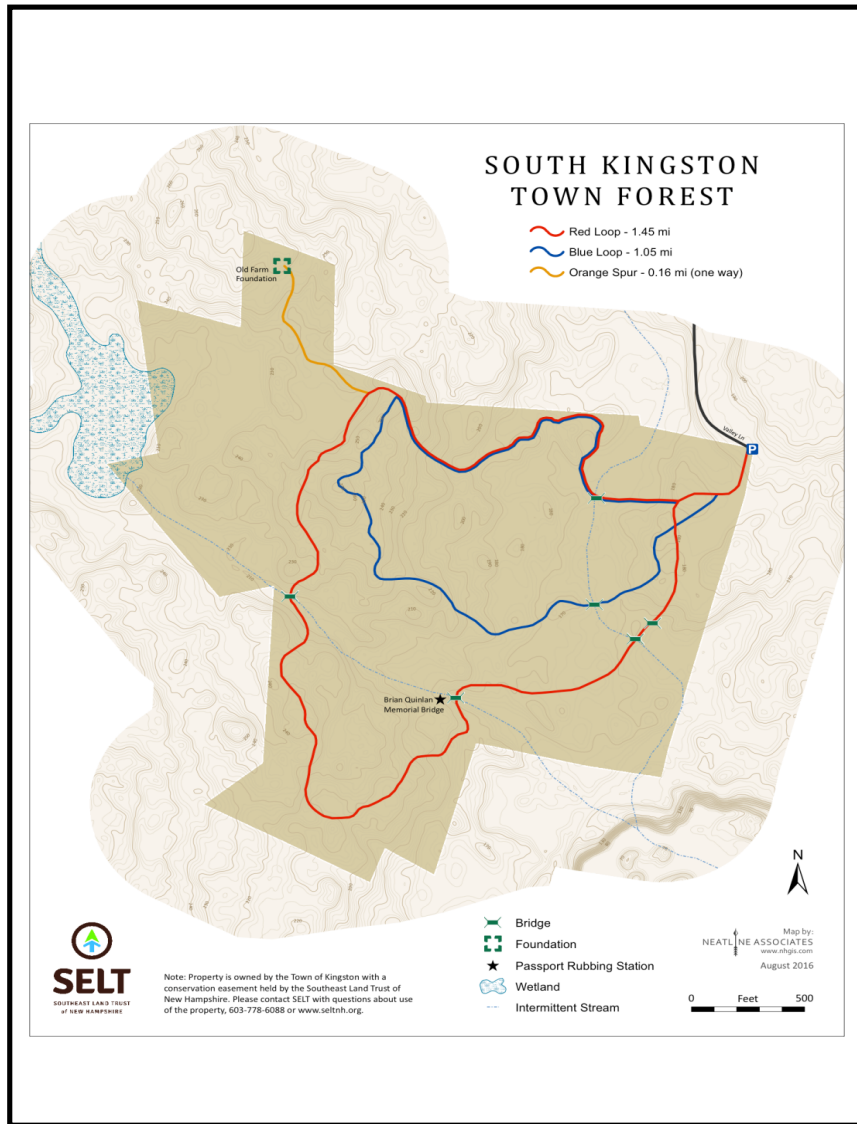
All of these trails are maintained by volunteers. Want to help out? Report areas that need attention, volunteer to help re-paint blazes, trim back overgrowth, or pick up debris and trash. Contact the KCC online, or attend a Conservaiton Commission meeting.

## Kingston Passport Areas





## South Kingston, (Valley Lane) Town Forest



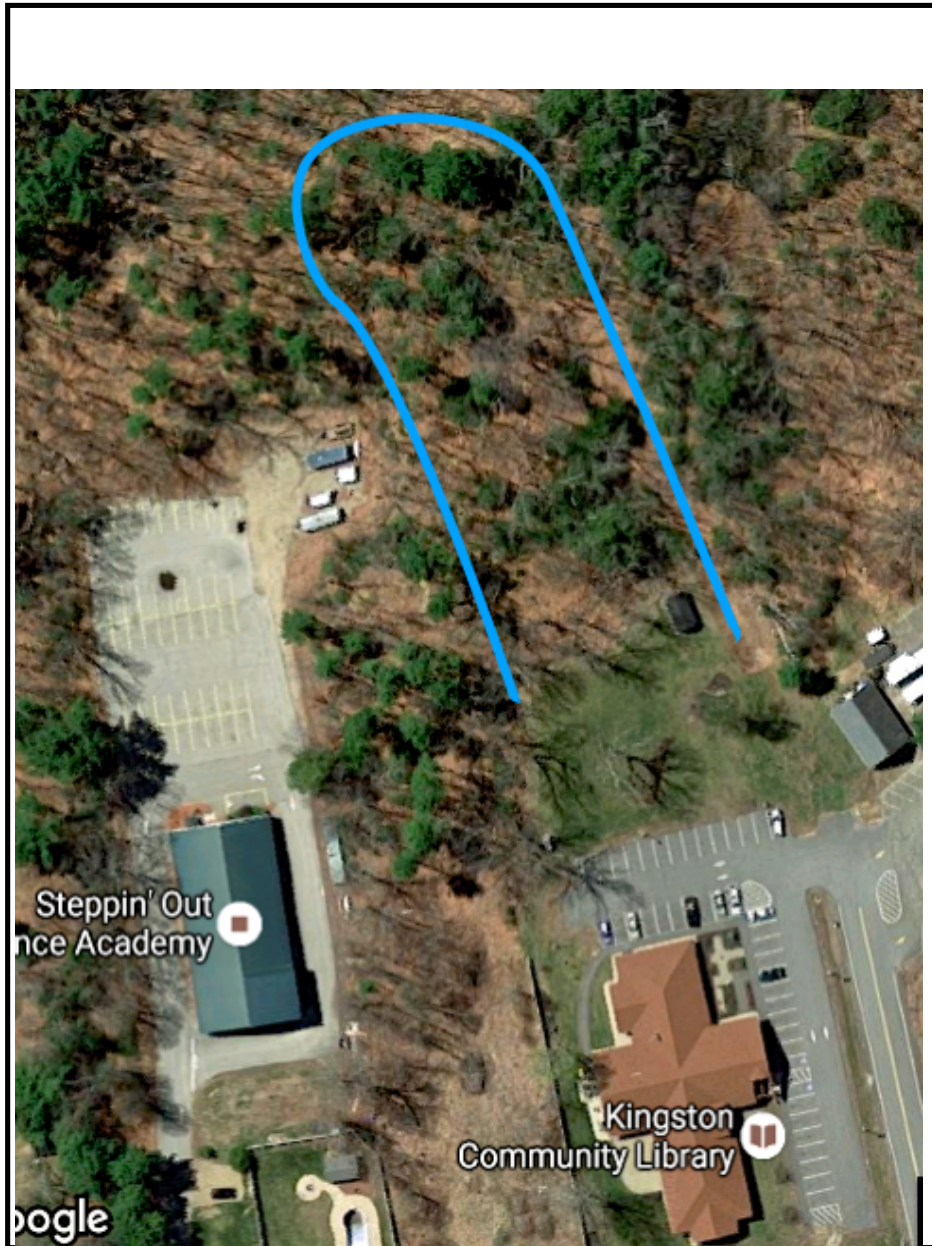
## South Kingston (Valley Lane) Town Forest

Of our five town forests, Valley Lane is Kingston's primary forest. A trail network was completed in 2010, and many hikers have enjoyed the trails, and their informational markers, since then. The difficulty of the trail network varies depending on how many loops you make, and which you take. You will be surrounded by hemlock, oak, pine and maple, and find a giant cluster of "glacial erratic" outcrops, with an unusual covering of leafy "rock tripe". The rubbing station is a short distance down the red trail (be careful not to be sidetracked to the blue trail) at the Brian Quinlan Memorial Bridge. The Bridge and rubbing post are marked on the trail map. Brian Quinlan was chair of the CC when the forest was established, but passed away before seeing the trail system become a reality. A waterfall graces the location of this marker in spring.

There is ample parking at the trailhead.

Make Trail Marker Rubbing Here

## Library Woods



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### Library Woods Trail

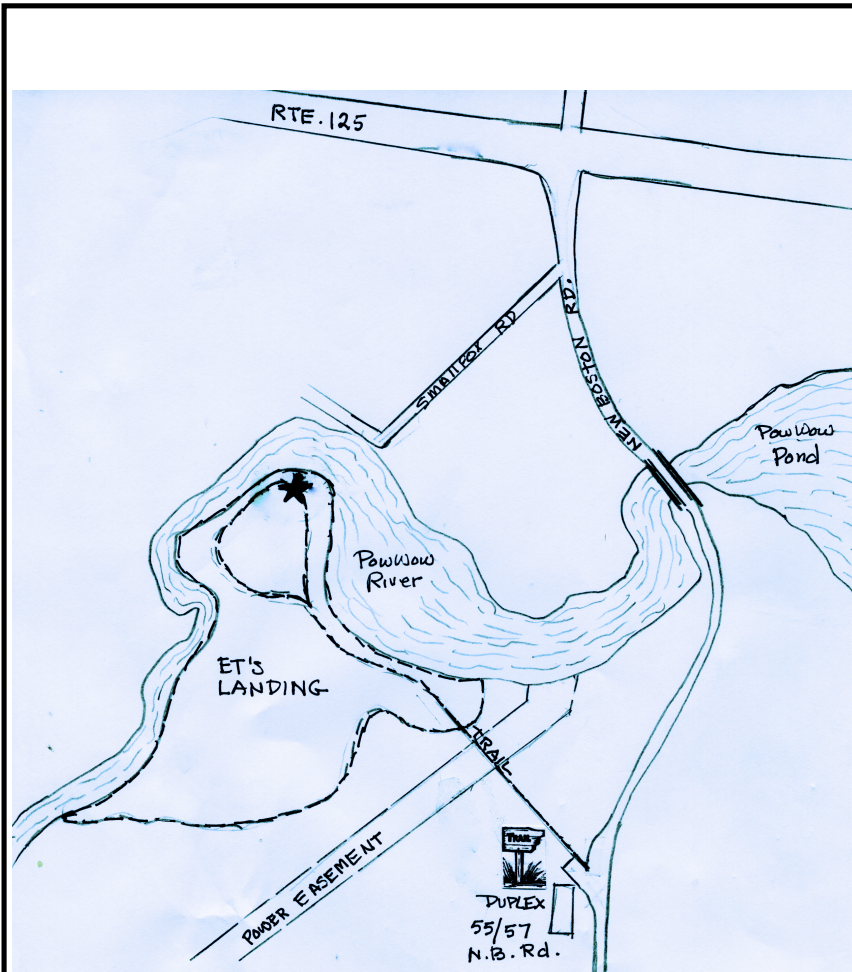
The library woods trail is a great starter trail for smaller hikers, and is only a quarter of a mile round trip! The Girl Scouts have bordered the trail, making it impossible to get lost. They have also identified many of the trees and shrubs along the trail. The

Trail Passport rubbing station is at the far turn of the trail. Simply park at the library to access this short, wooded trail.

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## ET's Landing



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ET's Landing, named after Dianne Eadie (past CC chair, who was instrumental in conserving this piece of land) and Bill Tucker, who once owned the land and lived here, is a picturesque, level walk alongside the Powwow River and marsh.

From Rte. 125, heading north, take a right onto New Boston Road.

At 8/10<sup>th</sup>s of a mile you will see part of a chain link gate on your right. Park at the pull out there. Walk around the gate and through the backyard of the duplex, address 55/57, to the woods road trail behind the shed. (**This is a legal Right of Way**). Follow the trail across the power easement. At the first fork stay to the right, and continue on to the rock monument and rubbing station.

This is an easy, flat hike of a mile round trip, with several openings to water views. You are likely to see various species of duck and other migratory waterfowl in spring and fall, including eagles in winter, and osprey in summer.

At the end of the trail you'll find the stone marker and the rubbing station. Enjoy the large, in-use, beaver dam at the bend of the river. With a little luck, and if you're very stealthy, you may even see the beavers at work!

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# Tucker French Forest

## Tucker & French Family Forest

The Southeast Land Trust is now owner of this property, a combined acquisition of two old farms and a sand pit. SELT has superimposed a wonderful, well-marked trail system, to the delight of hikers! This forest consists of 589 acres, and has two rubbing stations.

There are several parking areas for the T/F forest. We suggest parking at gate 2 for the most scenic walk, with the marsh to your left, and in the spring, two vernal pools to your right.

Follow the French South Trail to the Patten Island Loop, and you will find the rubbing post at the top of the first scenic overlook.

The second rubbing post is at the old French Mill overlook. The closest parking is at Gate 5 off North Road, but it's also easily accessible by staying on the French South trail.

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