

Jessi Leach

From: Susan Shea [sshea@greenmountainclub.org]
Sent: Friday, July 25, 2008 3:39 PM
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Cc: Dave Hardy; Pete Antos-Ketcham; Ben Rose
Subject: Lamoille Valley Rail Trail

RE: Comments on Management Plan for Lamoille Valley Rail Trail

Dear Ms. Leach,

The Green Mountain Club supports the concept of the multi-use Lamoille Valley Rail Trail.

Trail developers should be aware that an approximately ¼ mile portion of the Long Trail follows the route of the Rail Trail south of Route 15 in Johnson across land owned by the Green Mountain Club. The maintenance, management, and signage of this portion of the Rail Trail should be coordinated with the Green Mountain Club.

The draft plan mentions that the Long Trail can provide access into Johnson village for users of the Rail Trail. Perhaps you meant the reverse. If the Rail Trail goes through Johnson village, it could provide access to services for Long Trail hikers. The Long Trail was relocated several years ago and no longer follows Route 15 or crosses the Route 15 bridge over the Lamoille River. Instead, after following West Settlement Road, it follows the railroad right-of-way for a short distance, then turns north passes the Evergreen Cemetary, crosses Rt. 15, and crosses the river on a footbridge.

For further information, please contact us at the address below.

Thanks you.

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