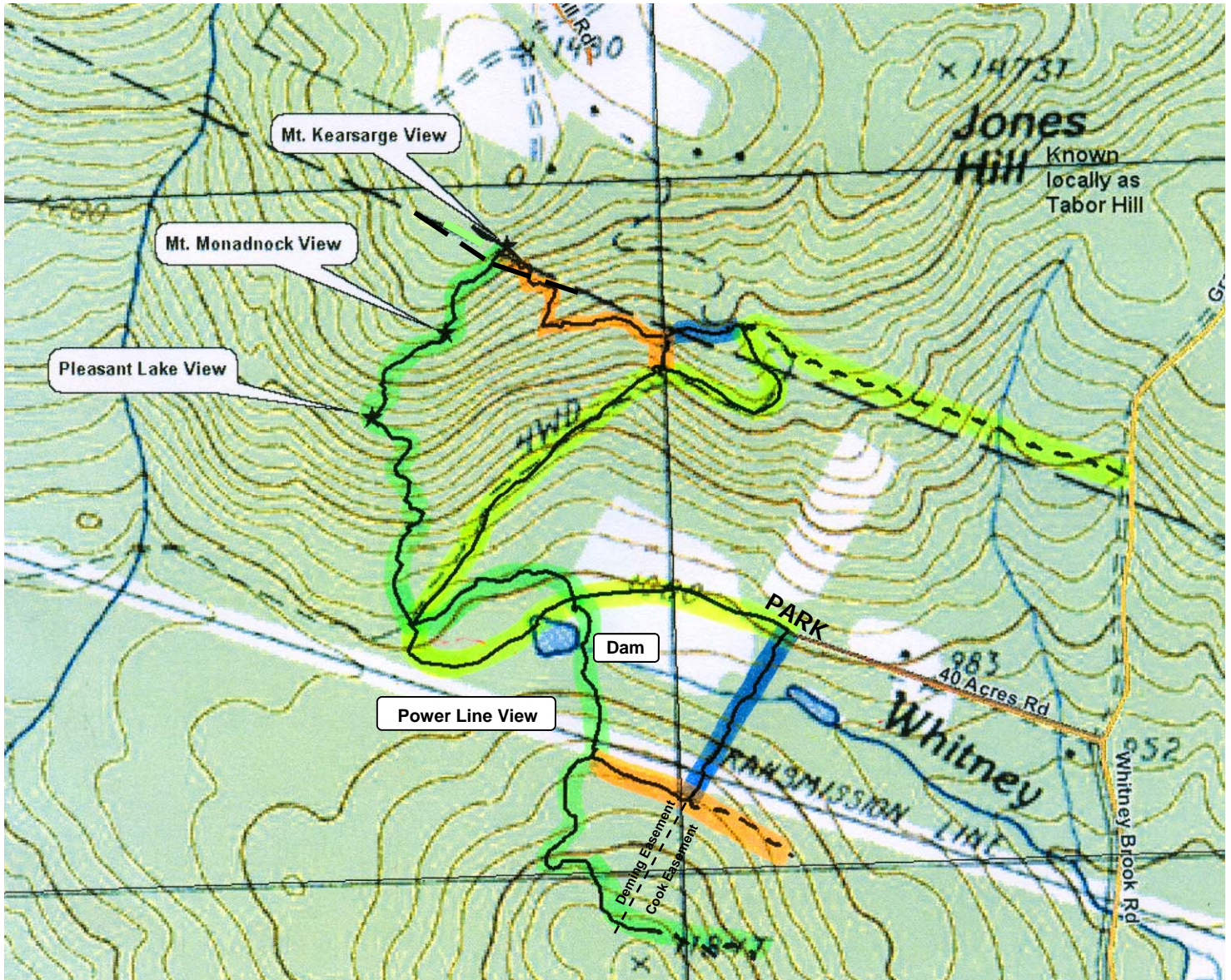


Trail Map

Deming Easement #22 (125 acres)

40 Acres Road, New London, NH



The 125 acre Deming easement is at the end of Forty Acres Road in Elkins. The property protects significant wildlife habitat and includes a mixture of forestlands, open fields, fruit bearing trees and bushes, ponds and wetlands. The Demings' land has some excellent views of Mt. Kearsarge, Pleasant Lake and the surrounding countryside.

Drive Directions: From Exit 11 off I-89 take Route 11 travel east toward Andover for 2.3 miles. Turn left on Elkins Rd. Continue on Elkins Rd. past the dam at the south end of Pleasant Lake. Elkins Rd. bears right past the dam, you continue straight on Wilmot Center Rd. for 3/4 of a mile. Turn left on unpaved Whitney Brook Rd. Travel .6 mile on Whitney Brook Rd. and turn left on 40 Acres Rd. and park at the end just past the entrance in the parking area. Trail complex starts from the parking area.

Trails: (See second page for detailed trail descriptions)

There are four excellent views along the Pleasant Lake High Trail (Green) as marked. The Pleasant Lake High Trail can be followed east through the Cook easement along the ridge line above Pleasant Lake. This trail is part of the Town of New London's Conservation Commission map—the link is listed at the beginning of the ASLPT trail section of this web site.

The Pleasant Lake High Trail (green), the Tabor Hill Switchback (orange), the Deming East Line Connector (blue) and the Old Camp Tabor Road (yellow) have considerable elevation gains and should for that reason be considered to be moderately difficult when hiking uphill on them.

GUIDE TO DEMING EASEMENT TRAILS

Trail identification Color is a 1.5" dot placed at the base of the trapezoid. A pair of same colored dots indicates the start or finish of the trail. Dot closest to trapezoid indicates the primary trail.

Trails are blazed by the following color codes – follow the color dots:



Green
Dot

Pleasant Lake High Trail (PLHT) is also known as the "carrot" trail. Rated Moderate. Elevation gain: 495' Distance: .9 mile (Deming easement only) 2.7 miles total length. Starts at Whitney Brook Road just below the Power Line (Park), crosses Cook, Deming, Cantor and Webb NL Easements, and ends at the Wolf Tree/Webb Interpretive Trail Loop/SRK Greenway/Langenau Forest Spur Trail intersection at Sargent Brook. A major trail. Great views. Dramatic cliffs and rock falls.



Yellow
Dot

Yellow Dot Trails

1. **Deming Orchard Drive (DOD)** .4 mile. Rated easy (but must use PLHT (on uphill side to bypass water in drive if/when caused by beavers). This unpaved drive starts at property entrance at the end of 40 Acres Rd. (Park) and continues westerly, past the paved driveway (right), through the orchard, crossing the PLHT by the upper pond (left), past the Power Line (left), to connect with:
2. **Old Camp Tabor Road (OCTR)** .6 miles. Rated easy downhill, moderate uphill. No views. Climbs on intermittent broken paving to the Wilmot town line (elevation gain of 331 feet), ending at an intersection 300 feet beyond at the Grace Road Connector.
3. **Grace Road Connector (GRC)** .4 mile. Rated easy. (None of this trail is on the Deming Easement). Starts at the upper end of the OCTR (where the *Gravel Pit Connector (GPC)* enters from the left (see Blue dot Gravel Pit Connector). The GRC turns right here on an abandoned unpaved access road and descends easterly to Grace Road (known as Whitney Brook Road in Elkins) just above the Wilmot/New London Town line.

(Note: The three yellow dot trails make a cross-country ski trail loop of 2 miles when linked via 40 Acres Road, Whitney Brook Road and Grace Road)



Orange
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Orange Dot Trails:

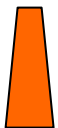
1. **Tabor Hill Switchback (THS)** .25 mile. Rated: moderate. Elevation gain: 250 feet. Starts well up on Old Camp Tabor Road, switchback-climbing to the PLHT at the Kearsarge view atop Tabor Hill. Serves as PLHT loop return/bail out, and as a link to the *Grace Road Connector (GRC)*, via *Gravel Pit Connector (GPC)*, see Blue below.
2. **Power Line Parallel (PLP)** 612 feet. Level. Connects the .37 miles of the PLP on the Cook easement to the Pleasant Lake High trail and the Deming East Line Connector.



Blue
Dot

Blue Dot Trails:

1. **Deming East Line Connector (DELIC)** .2 mile. Elevation gain: 87'. Starts at the Deming property entrance at 40 Acres Road, turns left down hill along the property line to cross Whitney Brook, thence up hill across the Power Line, to end at the PLP where the latter enters from the Cook Easement at the stone wall.
2. **Gravel Pit Connector (GPC)** 400'. Level. Starts from the Tabor Hill Switchback trail. After fifty feet, it crosses uphill into Wilmot, thence via gravel pit, to end at the Old Camp Tabor Road (OCTR, yellow), directly across which is the Grace Road Connector (GRC, yellow), see above.



Trapezoid directional marking: is orange in New London (indicating New London Conservation Commission jurisdiction), except when yellow is used for Safety Alternative Trails. In Wilmot, the color is yellow on the Grace Road Connector, the Gravel Pit Connector, and on trails in the Langenau Forest, owned by the Society for Preservation of New Hampshire Forests.

