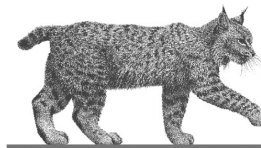
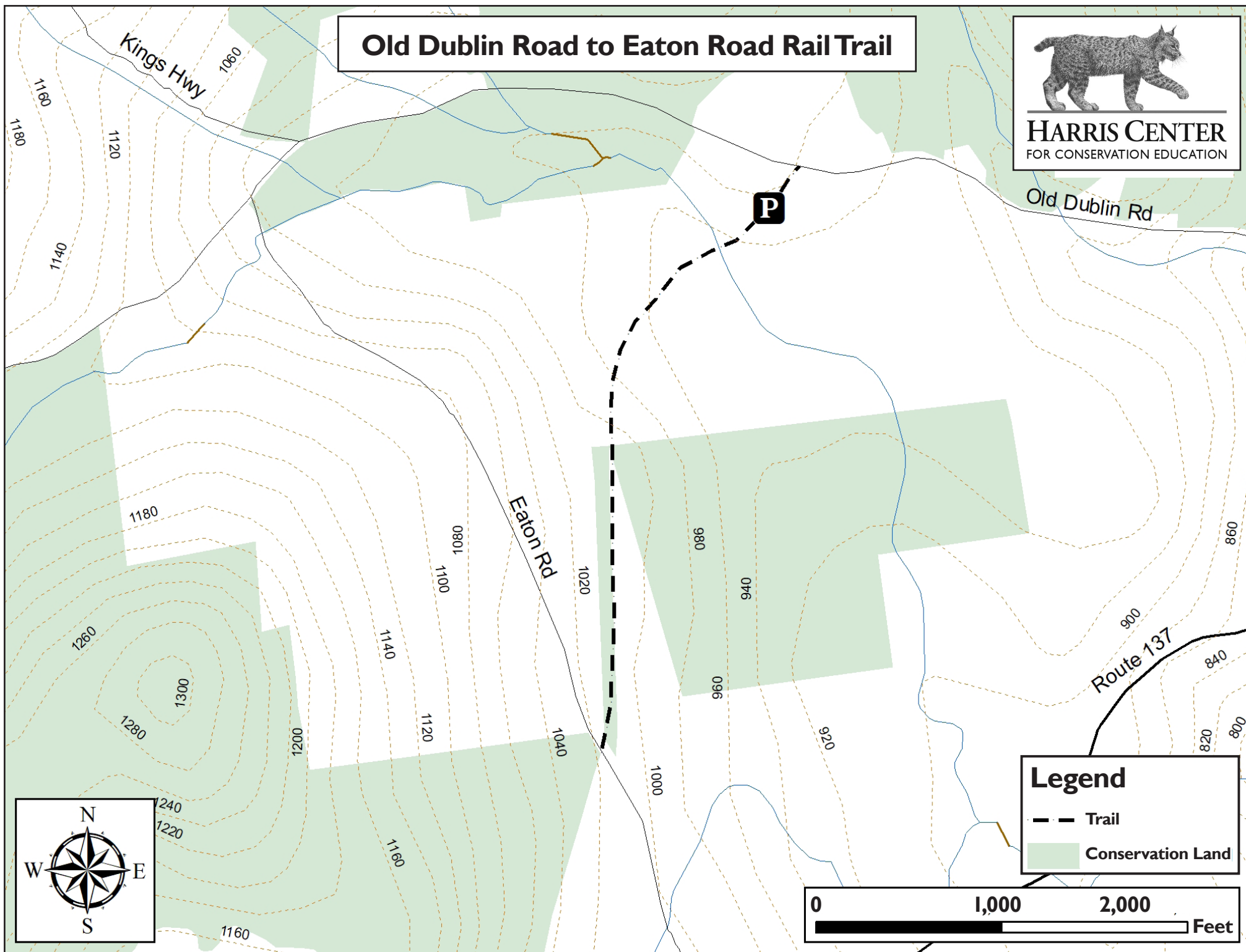


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This trail offers an easy walk through mixed hardwood forest along an old railroad bed.

PARKING

To reach the trailhead from Hancock Village, head west on Main Street and turn left onto Old Dublin Road opposite the Hancock Post Office. Continue for 0.9 miles. Then, turn left into the driveway for #92, which is marked by a large boulder. Continue to the parking area.

TRAIL INFORMATION

The rail trail is an easy and flat 0.7-mile hike, ending at Eaton Road. For a 2-mile loop walk, take a right from the rail trail onto Eaton Road and another right when Eaton Road joins Old Dublin Road, then follow Old Dublin Road back to your car.

Spotlight on Railroad History This trail follows the route of the old Manchester & Keene Railroad line, which was completed in 1878 and operated by the Boston & Maine Railroad starting in 1887. The trains on this line served Hancock residents for more than 50 years, bringing apples, dairy, and other agricultural goods from Hancock to Boston and transporting summer tourists to the countryside for farm stays and fresh air. When railroad usage declined in the 1930s and the Great New England Flood of 1936 damaged several trestles beyond repair, the line was completely abandoned. Keep your eyes peeled for a granite post with the markings “K20” and “N37,” approximately 0.5 mile from Old Dublin Road. This relic from the railroad days is a mileage marker, noting the distance to Keene (“K”) and Nashua (“N”).

Your comments are welcome. Contact Miles at stahmann@harriscenter.org or (603) 525-3394.

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