



Legend

- Existing Trails
- Trails to be developed
- Existing Snowmobile Trail
- Mtn Division RR (State of Maine)
- Park Boundary (and other lot lines)

Pins

- Existing parking at Hiram Depot/Merrill Park
- Parking to develop at North Trail
- Future parking planned

A - Hiram Village view from the Front Ledges.
 B - South View Ledge from Ridge Walk Trail.
 D - North Trail trailhead on Hiram Hill Road.
 G - Merrill Park and the historic "Gold Mine."
 J - Notch trail junction - trail to north is a private access and is for emergency use only.
 L - Saco Ridge Trail junction on Snowmobile Trail.
 N - Moraine Trail trailhead on Mtn Division RR.

Note: Merrill Park is a public park owned by the Hiram Development Assn. which is a community parks association.

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The Mt Cutler Park is being developed for perpetual public use for recreation, hiking, hunting, nature study and enjoyment of the scenic views. The park land was acquired and is being developed by private donations and with funds provided by the Land & Water Conservation Fund of the National Park Service and the Maine Department of Conservation Agriculture and Forestry. Grants have also been provided by the Nature Conservancy and the PF Fund of Baldwin. Merrill Park, also available for public use, is owned by the Hiram Development Association, a non-profit public parks association.

Together, the Mt Cutler Park and Merrill Park provide almost 200 acres of public access land with most of the scenic views from the mountain and most of the hiking trails. Some trails also traverse adjacent private lands, and you are allowed to use the trails on these lands by permission of the land owners. Please respect the rights of land owners, and use similar respect for the public lands made available for your use.

Location Pins - Description List

The "pins" on these maps would usually be described as part of the Mt Cutler Trails Guide.

That updated Guide is not yet prepared since new trails being developed are not yet all ready for public use, and - as of this date - the new parking area on the Hiram Hill Road has not yet been constructed. This list of the Location Pin descriptions is useful for the current version of the Site Plan.

Some of the pins are briefly described on the Site Plan map, but there is not enough space on those maps to describe all. Here is a more complete list:

A - Front Ledges on the original Barnes Trail with views over Hiram Village and to distant eastern hills.

B - South View Ledge on the Ridge Walk Trail. Expansive views to the south and east.

D - North Trail near the trail head at Hiram Hill Road. When new parking is constructed, this trail will be accessed directly from the parking area.

E - The Boulder Trail is an alternate route of the White Flag Trail. Passage across the adjacent private land is permitted, but the White Flag Trail follows a route higher on the mountain to avoid using the private lands.

F - Saco Ridge Trail is partially on Park land, but mostly on adjacent private lands where access is permitted.

G - Merrill Park community park area. Location of at least 9 water wells and the historic "Gold Mine."

J - Notch Trail Junction. From here, there are easily followed unmarked trails to the Mt Cutler summit (1232 ft) to west of this trail junction. The summit is on adjacent private land, but access is permitted. *The trail to north from this junction is a private access; use of this trail is only for emergency purposes.*

L - Saco Ridge Trail Junction on the Snowmobile Trail. This is the relocated Saco Ridge Trail. The original trail is about 1000 ft west of this junction, but that original trail is too steep and too prone to erosion. *Please do NOT use the Snowmobile Trail for access to lands to west of the Saco Ridge Trail; lands to the west are private properties and the land owners prefer that visitors not travel in these lands except for the developed trail on Saco Ridge.*

M - North Trail junction with the Ridge Walk Trail. Near here there are good views to the north to Burnt Meadow Mountains and to the distant Presidential Range of the White Mountains

N - Moraine Trail trail head on the Mountain Division Rail Road. Walk the RR for this trail access.

O - Trail Head for the NW Territory Trail. This trail head has very limited parking space along side of the Hiram Hill Road. Public parking will be at the North Trail trail head. Walk Hiram Hill Road to this trail.

P - NW Territory Trail is accessed from either the Hiram Hill Road trail head at "O" or from the connecting trail that forks off the North Trail at the point where the North Trail begins to ascend through hemlock forest. The NW Territory Trail passes through mixed forests and ascends to connect with Ridge Walk near the crest of the Main Ridge of Mt Cutler.

R - White Flag Trail diverges from North Trail at 1/4 mile from the Hiram Hill Road and ascends to the Front Ledges at a junction with the original Barnes Trail.

W - Location of a water well with water rights owned by an adjacent land owner. Another actively-used water well is located near the North Trail trail head. *Please avoid travel near these water supplies.*