

### Trails:

#### THE BLUE TRAIL:

- Length 0.4 miles
- It follows an ATV trail for a short distance then climbs gently to the height of land.
- A spur trail leads to a bench with stunning views of Mount Kearsarge North.
- Follows a former logging road for a short distance.
- will find a second bench and another clearing, which allows views of the Baldface peaks.
- The final leg of the Blue Trail descends steeply to Long Meadow Brook and follows its shoreline for a short distance, ideal for wildlife observation and birding.

#### THE ORANGE TRAIL:

• Splits off and heads steeply down to the brook and a large beaver dam with a wonderful view of the brook.

# The Property:

This 98-acre property was acquired in the fall of 2016 from the Wiley family who summered on the Red Farm along Kezar Lake Road. The Wileys managed the property as a tree farm for several decades. Located within the GLLT Western Wildlife Habitat and Corridor Focus Area, this property is a valuable link in a chain of preserved habitats that offer wildlife sanctuary through connectivity. Situated on Kezar Lake Road at its easterly border, the property includes a 500-yard stretch on both shores of Long Meadow Brook and borders private property that is open to the public under a GLLT conservation easement to the south.

The parking lot is reached from Kezar Lake Road via a steep logging road with water bars. It is accessible to regular clearance vehicles under dry conditions. Trails lead to benches with impressive views of Mount Kearsarge North (toward the southwest) and the Baldface peaks (to the northwest). Early settlers cleared this area 200 years ago and original stone walls are in evidence throughout the property along with a few gigantic "shade trees"— evidence of the pasture lands opened during the 19th century. Remnants of a small home or barn can be found just west of the parking lot. More recently, the land was used as a working forest and dedicated as a "Tree Farm."

Views of the White Mountains to the west are exquisite, as are the opportunities to observe wildlife in the clearings, near the beaver dam, and along the brook. Songbirds, wading birds, and raptors are common and the Long Meadow Brook marsh is ranked as "significant habitat for wading birds and waterfowl" by the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

## (About Us:)

We are a private, non-profit organization of local volunteers and fellow conservationists, protecting our region's lands and waters in the public interest. We welcome new members and contributions for land purchases, easements, and volunteers for projects. Please join us.

#### OUR MISSION...

...to protect the ecosystems of the Kezar Lake, Kezar River, & Cold River watersheds, for the benefit of the natural and human communities today and as a legacy for the future.

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We are a membership driven organization. Annual membership is fundamental to our mission. We look forward to welcoming you as a member!

# Activity Guidelines:

The Long Meadow Brook Reserve is open to the public for the following activities:

- Fishing and hunting in season
- Hiking and picnicking
- Cross-country skiing
- Snowshoeing
- Running and mountain biking
- Nature observation

#### NOT ALLOWED:

- Fires
- Motorized vehicles
- Cutting/removal of vegetation
- Camping (except for non-trace camping by prior permit only)

Please use the land responsibly, leaving it just as you found it so that others may enjoy it as well.

#### Georeferenced Maps



www.gllt.org/long-meadow-brook-reserve

downloadable georeferenced trail map available from our website, and usable in Avenza Maps App

# LONG MEADOW Brook Reserve



