

Table 5.6: Town-Owned Parcels in Lancaster

Ownership/ Management	Status	Location	Map & Parcel	Acreage	Public Access *Many municipal public access parcels need improvement	Current Use & condition	Recreation potential	Grant funding	Zoning
Board of Selectmen/ Town Forest Committee	Protected non-Article 97	Brockelman Road	28-19	255	Yes	Pedestrian and equestrian, OFV damage	Need for improved trails and erosion control		residential
Board of Selectmen/ Town Forest Committee	Protected non-Article 97	Brockelman Road	28-1	62.3	Yes	Pedestrian and equestrian, OFV damage	Need for improved trails and erosion control		residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected (Town solar array on top of capped land fill)	Lunenburg Road	14-7	56	No	Being developed for municipal solar array	Portions of site passive recreation potential,	Muni bond	Mixed-use (IPOP), Light Industry
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected (Town Hall buildings, library, and community center)	Main Street	34-91	23	Yes	Renovated Prescott Building to open in winter of 2018	N/A	Muni bond	Residential
Recreation Committee	Permanently Protected Article 97 (Thayer Field Campus)	Main Street	34-91	17	Yes	Work on recreation campus to start in spring of 2018	Future site of recreation campus	PARC (2016)	Residential

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Recreation Committee	Unprotected (Town beach)	Spectacle Pond	10-9	1.90	Yes	Lifeguard attended swimming beach for residents, lessons	Actively		Residential
DPW/Water Department	Permanently Protected Article 97 (wellhead protection area and Town barn)	Mill Street	43-1	36.1	Limited access	Most of parcel is off limits to protect water supply, except for the youth baseball field	N/A	N/A	Residential
DPW/Water Department	Permanently Protected Article 97 (wellhead protection area)	Lancaster Road/Mill Street Extension	42-115	4.60	Limited access	Water supply protection, no trails	N/A	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Rear Ponakin Road	24-57	6.20	No	Landlocked, not used	Potential for trails if easements granted or abutting land acquired	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Pine Hill	26-2	35	Restricted	Municipal sand and	Potential for trail on outer	N/A	Residential

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						gravel removal, rifle range restricted to Police use	edge to connect with Mass Fish and Game land		
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Rear Donelle Way, North Lancaster	2-3	7	No	Landlocked, not used	Potential for pedestrian trails, Land Trust land nearby	N/A	Water Supply Protection District
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	East of White Pond Road	8-43 and 9-3	15	No access yet	Not being used	Potential for trails, mostly wetlands	N/A	Mixed use (IPOD)
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Old Union Turnpike	10-13A	21	Yes	Not being used, road frontage	Potential for camping or picnic area, other recreation	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-22	17	No	Landlocked, not being used, near NHESP land, Wekepeke stream	Sensitive land with wetlands, probably not	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road, I-190 right-of-way abuts on the west	23-12, 23-14, 23-15	13.5	No	Landlocked, not being used, near NHESP land, Wekepeke stream	Sensitive land with wetlands, probably not	N/A	Residential

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Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Lunenburg Road north of Route 2	4-47	1.92	Parcel has road frontage, but no access yet	Not being used	Potential for trails, good wetland wildlife habitat	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Landlocked parcel north of Route 117 and south of North Nashua River	24-82	21.9	No	Landlocked, not being used	Trails connecting to other open space	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Next to 2121 North Main Street	24-90.A	25±	Yes, from road frontage, but extremely difficult on/off busy road	Not being used	Trails connecting to other open space	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Brockelman Road abutting Town Forest	28-13	9.8	Yes, from road frontage and adjacent Town Forest parcels	Added to Town Forest	Trails (and timber harvesting)	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Rear Old County Road	29-15 and 29-16	31.6	Yes, from Old County Road	Added to Town Forest	Trails (and timber harvesting)	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Off North Main Street	18-53	2.43	Yes	Not being used	Expansion of Nashua River Greenway	N/A	Water Resource Protection District

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Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97 (Eugene Christoph Memorial Wild Forest)	Off of Hilltop Road, abutting Eagle Ridge	32-17, 32-18, 32-19	24.93	Yes, from road frontage	New trails and boardwalk	Trails and future connection to other conservation land	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Off of Magnolia Ave	45-36	2	No-landlocked	Not being used	Not sure, small neighborho od park?	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Magnolia Ave	45-20	.16	Abuts above parcel	Not being used	Possible small neighborhoo d park	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Magnolia Ave	45-22	.29	Abuts above parcel	Not being used	Possible small neighborho od park	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Off of Kilbourn Road abutting Nashua River	38-83A, 38-85A	13.5	Unclear	Trail that is not well maintained	Nature trails, expands the Nashua River Greenway	N/A	Residential

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Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Off Main Street near Bigelow Gardens	38-2	7	Unclear	Historic cemetery	Pedestrian walking	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Center Bridge Road, near “Meeting of the Waters”	38-131	.81	Yes, from road frontage	Small drainage basin in front portion of parcel, back of parcel is wet	Expansion of Nashua River Greenway with walking trails	N/A	Residential
Town – Elementary and Middle Schools	Unprotected	Main Street	30-154	37	Yes	School campus with nature trail in back	Being used, local conservation group helping kids with nature trail	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Abuts Bartlett Conservation Area on southern end	23-5	10	Yes from adjacent Bartlett Conservation Area (18-18.A)	Wekepeke Brook forms the parcel’s western boundary, the east end is wetlands, with 100-year floodplain and high-and-dry land in between	No trail access currently, but there appears to be enough sufficiently dry land that a trail running roughly north-south could be	N/A	Residential

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Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	West of Route 70	25-32	15	Parcel has frontage on Route 70, unclear whether public access is allowed	Nashua River runs through the middle of the parcel, there is damage from illegal OHV use	No trail access currently, not much high-and- dry land on parcel	N/A	Residential

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Town- DPW/Cemetery Commission	Unprotected	Otis Street	30-22	4	Yes	Historic cemetery, abuts Fort Devens federal land	Pedestrian walking	N/A	Residential
Town- DPW/Cemetery Commission	Unprotected	Old Common Road (cemetery extends into Bolton)	39-6	11.06	Yes	Historic cemetery, DPW has office here	Pedestrian walking and driving, extends into Bolton	N/A	Residential
Town- DPW/Cemetery Commission	Unprotected	Old Common Road	38-105	1.18	Yes	Historic cemetery abuts Fort Devens federal land	Pedestrian walking	N/A	Residential
Town- DPW/Cemetery Commission	Unprotected	Center Bridge Road (in front)	38-154	10.6	Yes	Historic cemetery	Pedestrian walking	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Mill Street Rear	42-15 and 11	.87	No	Not used, portion abuts Nashua River	Greenway trail and protection	N/A	Residential
DPW/Water Department	Protected	Winsor Road	37-31	1	No	Near historic site that's privately held	Historic trail walk, road access	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Mill Street Extension/ Lancaster Road	42-113A	6.7	Landlocked	Not currently being used	Water supply protection	N/A	Water Supply Protection District

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Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Shirley Road	5-56A	.57	No	Not currently being used, road frontage	N/A	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	West of Route 70, Greenway area on North Nashua	14-10	11.50	Yes	Pedestrian trails, not well maintained, general area has OHV trail erosion	Nashua River Greenway Expansion and trail network	N/A	Mixed use zoning (IPOD)
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97 – ATM 2017 transferred to Conservation Commission	West of Route 70, Greenway area on North Nashua	14-18	9	Yes	Pedestrian trails, not well maintained, general area has OFV trail erosion	Nashua River Greenway Expansion and trail network	N/A	Mixed use zoning (IPOD)
Board of Selectmen	ATM 1977 transferred to Conservation Commission, but it wasn't owned by the Town then	West of Route 70, Greenway area on North Nashua	14-14	22	Yes	Pedestrian trails, not well maintained, general area has OFV trail erosion	Nashua River Greenway Expansion and trail network	N/A	Mixed use zoning (IPOD)
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Neck Road	30-130	1.50	Yes	Not being used, road frontage	Maybe (by railroad track)	N/A	Residential
Board of Selectmen	Unprotected	Shirley Road	5-57	1.70	No	Abuts state DOC land (MCI Shirley)	N/A	N/A	Residential

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Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	West of Lunenburg Road/Cook CA	14-17	3.2	Yes	Large network of trails, some OFV damage	Improvement and connection of trails	Future DCR grant, others?	Mixed-use zoning (IPOD)
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Center Bridge Road	38-133, 38-134	1.6±	Yes, from 38-131	Not used, no trails, seasonally flooded	Nashua River Greenway protection and trails	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	West of Lunenburg Road/Cook CA	19-17	53	Yes	Large network of trails, some OFV damage	Improvement and connection of trails	Future DCR grant, others?	Mixed-use zoning (IPOD)
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	West of Lunenburg Road/Cook CA	19-17A	2.5	Yes	Adjacent to Cook CA parking area, entrance to parcel blocked off to cars	Improved and visible access for all persons, parking	Future DCR grant, others?	Mixed-use zoning (IPOD)
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Route 117/ Bartlett CA & Frommer Park, formerly site of Bartlett Pond Dam	18-14, 18-18A	18.25	Yes, from 18-14 road frontage	Parking area, fishing, wildlife viewing, well maintained	Area much more accessible since removal of dam, trail network being planned	N/A	Residential

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Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	West of Route 70, Greenway area on south side of North Nashua River, across from CCA	19-12	50	Yes, by water from North Nashua River frontage, landlocked otherwise; although a National Grid electric transmission line easement runs through the parcel from Route 117, the easement does not allow public access	No maintained trails, most use is by illegal OHV's	Part of an integrated blue trail and greenway trail system, especially if land and/or easements can be acquired from owners of abutting private properties	Future DCR grant, others?	Residential

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Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Ponakin Road, Route 70: Pellechia CA, future site of boat launch	25-30	2.70	Yes	Blocked off for safety (by historic bridge)	2012 car top boat launch site	Office of Fishing & Boating Access , DCR RTP	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Ponakin Road, across the North Nashua River from Pellechia CA	24-51, 25-28	1.5	Yes	No pedestrian trail currently	Greenway protection and possibly a trail, but may not be much usable land due to high, steep slopes toward river	Future DCR grant, others	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Route 117, near Fairgrounds at Lancaster	35-01	5.8	Yes	Currently used as car top boat launch w/parking	Needs to be maintained	N/A	
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Near Eagle Ridge Subdivision	36-6	75	Yes	Used for maple sugaring, existing heavily used trails, farming	Additional trail with wetland boardwalk planned	One DCR grant received, another planned	Residential

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Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Atherton Bridge/off of South Bolton Rd	38-162	9.8	Yes	Defunct trails, heavy OHV use and damage, broken bridges	Task force to write master plan 2012	NA	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Atherton Bridge/off of South Bolton Rd	38-161	7.8	Yes	Defunct trails, heavy OFV use and damage, broken bridges	Task force to write master plan 2012	NA	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Runaway Brook Subdivision	44-31G	6.36	Yes	New land as part of subdivision approval	Mini master plan to be written, mostly wildlife habitat	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Runaway Brook Subdivision	44-31A	6.7	Yes	New land as part of subdivision approval	Mini master plan to be written, mostly wildlife habitat	N/A	Residential
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Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Devonshire Way, new land as part of subdivision approval	24-42M	16.3	Yes, from road frontage	No Trails, two road drainage basins damaged by OHV use	Appears t	N/A	Residential
Conservation Commission	Permanently Protected Article 97	Rear Devonshire Way, new land as part of subdivision approval	24-42N	10.18	Yes, from 29-15	Added to Town Forest, no trails yet	Mini master plan to be written, mostly wildlife habitat	N/A	Residential
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	East of Brockelman Road	28-6	.60	Unclear, landlocked	N/A	Connection to town forest	N/A	Residential
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-8	3.75	Unclear	N/A	Near NHESP habitat, Wekepeke Brook	N/A	Light industry
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-14	3.55	Unclear	N/A	Near NHESP habitat	N/A	Residential
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-18	3.11	Unclear	N/A	Near NHESP habitat	N/A	Residential
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	Shirley Road	5-57	1.70	Unclear	N/A		N/A	Residential

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Owner Unknown	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-8	3.75	Unclear	N/A	Near NHESP habitat, Wekepeke Brook	N/A	Light industry
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-14	3.55	Unclear	N/A	Near NHESP habitat	N/A	Residential
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	West of Brockelman Road	23-18	3.11	Unclear	N/A	Near NHESP habitat	N/A	Residential
Owner Unknown	Unprotected	Shirley Road	5-57	1.70	Unclear	N/A		N/A	Residential