



# Along the Housatonic River Falls Village, CT

## Trail Description

This was the first Appalachian Trail (A.T.) project, undertaken by ATC and the Connecticut Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club (AMC) in 2000, to provide wheelchair access along a portion of the A.T. The project involved the construction of a loop trail, a portion of which serves as the Appalachian Trail, along the banks of the Housatonic River. The wheelchair-accessible section is a dirt and gravel section of the Trail. The following description detail mileage as heading south from the parking area on the A.T. first, then looping back.

Total round-trip length: 1.1 miles (the first 0.5 mile is wheelchair accessible)

## Location and Parking

Parking is a packed dirt lot off Water Steet in Falls Village, CT and there is ADA-accessible parking available. The accessible section of the A.T. starts just at the back right of the parking lot. There is no public transportation available to this section.

## Trail Design and Elements

Surface: Packed dirt and gravel that may be covered with pine needles.

Width: 4 feet

Edges: The path is not edged.

Grade: 3%

Cross slope: 2%-3%

Obstacles:

- Slight decline of approximately 15 feet from the parking area
- Small bridge 36" wide that crosses a stream 500 feet from the parking area.

## Amenities

- Informational kiosk
- Picnic table at the back left of the parking area
- Bench 900' from the parking area
- No public restrooms

**Always call 911 in an emergency**



*Photo of the Trail by Laurie Potteiger*



*Along the Housatonic River*



*Photo of the parking area courtesy of AMC-Connecticut*

## For More Information

For the latest parking and Trail conditions, contact the Connecticut Chapter of the Appalachian Mountain Club:

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