



Area 17 BOBBY'S COURT



Wooded area of Bobby's Court

Size: 34 acres (Bobby's) and 9 acres (Topstone)

ACCESS/PARKING: Trailhead at north end of parking area on the east side of Route 7, north of Topstone Road; Bobby's Court; Fire Hill Road; Old Fire Hill in Redding; Old Stone Court; Topstone Road via the trail through Topstone Preserve. Parking can be found on town or state land off Route 7 or along roadsides. [GPS Address: 620 Ethan Allen Highway]

DIFFICULTY: Fairly easy, but some slopes to climb. 1 – 1:30 hour hike.

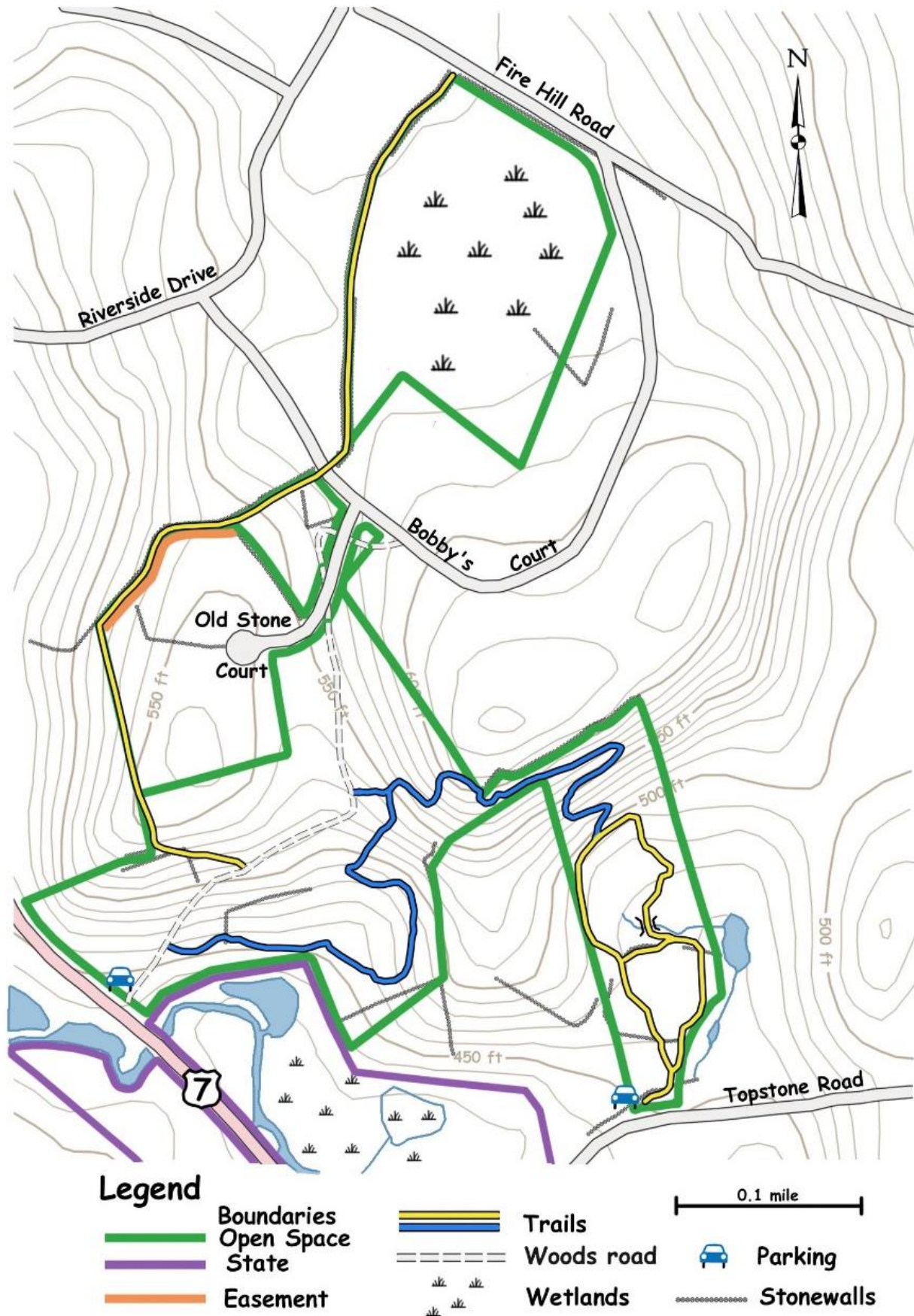
FEATURES: Two loops comprised of old roads, new roads, and woodland trails lead through Bobby's Court and connect with both the Topstone Preserve and the Knolls Open Space trails. Starting at the Old Stone Court trailhead, travel down the woodland road and then up the yellow trail to the stone wall-lined dirt road and back to the Bobby's Court trailhead. The trail to Topstone Preserve (blue blazed) can be accessed from two locations along the woodland road. Quartz on the property indicates there might have been an old quarry. Wildflowers, including trillium, are present in spring. Just opposite the Bobby's Court trailhead, a dirt road paralleling an old stone wall leads to Fire Hill Road. Going north, Fire Hill Road becomes a dirt road that forks to the east into Redding and to the west onto Old Still Road. Old Still Road is a dirt road that passes the trailhead leading into the Knolls Open Space.

HISTORY: Acquired through a Planned Residential Development re-subdivision.

The attached maps are for both Bobby's Court and Topstone Preserve because they are close together and are linked together by the blue trail.



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