

# Help protect the Andrew Brook Trailhead!

*The trail to Lake Solitude*



The trailhead for one of the most popular trails to Mt. Sunapee and Lake Solitude *is for sale!* Please donate today to secure access to the Andrew Brook Trailhead forever!

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The Forest Society has an **immediate opportunity to permanently conserve the trailhead of the Andrew Brook Trail, a favorite trail to Lake Solitude -- the "hidden gem" of Mt. Sunapee State Park** in Newbury -- and the White Ledges area known for sensational views of the region.

The owner of a 33-acre property that hosts the trailhead, off Newbury's Mountain Road, has agreed to sell it to the Forest Society. **Now we must raise the \$110,000 needed to acquire the land, cover transaction costs, improve the trailhead and steward the property, and we hope you will give a donation to help.**

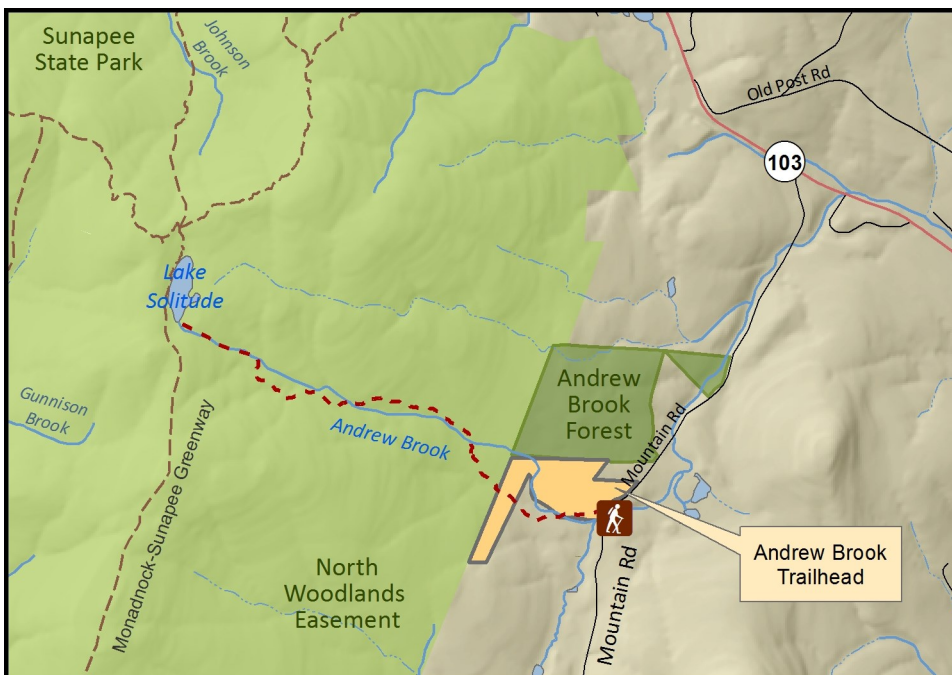
**The Andrew Brook Trail is beloved by many hikers as a sweet ascent along a babbling brook** as you climb through a beech, birch and maple forest. In two miles you reach Lake Solitude, a pristine pond surrounded by conifers, then continue to the White Ledges area on the way to Mt. Sunapee's summit.

In 2006, the Forest Society led a campaign to purchase a conservation easement on 1,100 acres of land on the eastern slope of Mt. Sunapee. This easement protects the middle section of the Andrew Brook Trail and was a huge collaborative success celebrated by partners including the Newbury Conservation Commission, the Monadnock-Sunapee Greenway Trail Club, Friends of Mt. Sunapee, the Sunapee-Ragged-Kearsarge Greenway and Cardigan Highlanders. The trailhead, however, remained in private ownership and unprotected, and **it has now been put up for sale!**

The property's value for hiking is the most obvious reason to protect it, but its forest also:

- protects the water quality of Andrew Brook and several other feeder streams,
- provides high-quality wildlife habitat and,
- enlarges the surrounding block of conserved land including the abutting Andrew Brook Forest, the above-mentioned easement land, and both Sunapee and Pillsbury state parks.

**To help us secure this property for the huge public benefit it offers, please send your gift by January 20, 2016! Thank you!**



**Conservation of this parcel will secure the trailhead and provide for improved public access and amenities.**

**Yes—I'd like to help conserve the Andrew Brook Trailhead!**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Gift in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you for your help!**