

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.**

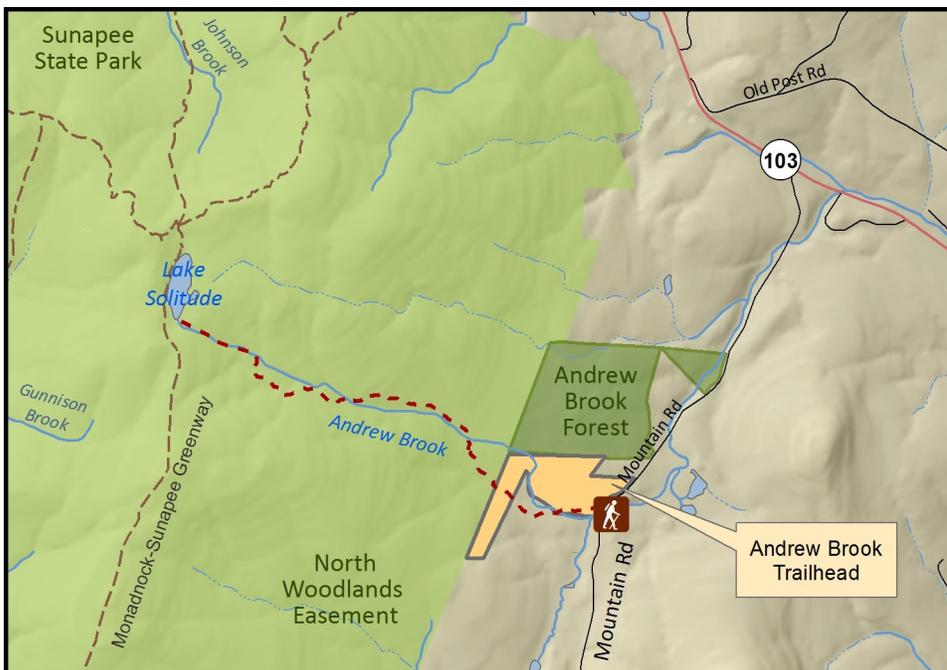
The Andrew Brook Trail is beloved by many hikers as a sweet ascent along a babbling brook as you climb through a beech, birch and maple forest. In two miles you reach Lake Solitude, a pristine pond surrounded by conifers, then continue to the White Ledges area on the way to Mt. Sunapee's summit.

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 _____

Address _____

Gift in the amount of \$ _____

___ Check, mail to:

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54 Portsmouth St.

Concord, NH 03301

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Thank you for your help!