



*From the Concord Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Advisory Committee*

## **Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Update – October 2017**

Trail construction began this summer and is proceeding rapidly. Notable progress on the BFRT in Concord:

### ***Phase 2C – From the Commonwealth Avenue Parking Lot to Powder Mill Road***

- Rails and railroad ties have been removed from the entire length of the trail.
- Nearly the entire length of the trail bed has been cleared, leveled and a first coat of pavement has been installed from Powder Mill Road to Williams Road; Williams Road to Old Marlboro road; Old Marlboro Road to the Assabet River and in the parking lot on Commonwealth Avenue near the prison.
- The Powder Mill Road culvert was replaced and the road re-opened in time for the start of the new school year.
- The Assabet River Bridge steel and decking has been installed.

### ***Phase 2B – From the Commonwealth Avenue Parking lot to Acton***

- This section of the trail is in the final design phase.
- Construction is scheduled to begin in 2020.

**Remember the Phase 2C section is now an active construction site!**

**Please stay off the trail while it is under construction!**

- Safety is a paramount concern of everyone involved.
- Especially during working hours, the contractor has heavy machinery, vehicles and other equipment in use.
- Daily progress may result in changing conditions which may be or become unsafe, including in-process fence installations, unsafe drop-offs, unfinished berms, holes, and trenches dug for multiple reasons.
- As with any active construction site there are materials which may be: sharp, hot, heavy, unstable, dirty, and otherwise dangerous; along with construction equipment which may provide attractive hazards.
- In addition, we are concerned that people may damage the plantings before they have a chance to get settled into the ground, and can make seeded areas unsuitable for seed germination, and can create runoff sites in soft soil.
- In other words - please do your part and stay off the trail until the trail is finished.
- If anyone discusses the trail with you...please tell them to stay out of the construction site, which is the entire trail, until the contractor has removed ALL indications of construction.
- We should expect construction activity on Phase 2C ending in **Spring 2019**.

Thanks from the Concord Bruce Freeman Rail Advisory Committee



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## Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Construction Phase

- 2B
- 2C
- 2C (after Sudbury proceeds)
- Bridge
- P Parking and Handicapped Parking
- ♿ Handicapped Parking ONLY

