



## Article 58 Land Acquisition - Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Right of Way

To determine whether the Town will vote to authorize the Select Board, for purposes of establishing, constructing, operating and maintaining an improved multi-use trail for non-motorized transportation, open space and recreation purposes and for all other purposes for which rail trails are now or may hereafter be used in the Commonwealth, to acquire by purchase, gift, eminent domain or otherwise all or fee, easement, leasehold, license or other real property interests in, on, over, across, under and along (a) all or any portion of the land, premises, easements, rights-of-ways and other rights in Concord comprising the former Lowell Secondary Track railroad right-of-way acquired by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (acting through its former Executive Office of Transportation and Construction) by deeds dated April 28 and November 29, 1982 and recorded in the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds at Book 14609, Pages 302-317 and Book 14836, Pages 507-512, and (b) abutting and underlying properties as necessary for clearing title to said railroad right-of-way, laying out an improved multi-use rail trail in that right-of-way and associated easement, and providing access to the rail trail area for construction, maintenance and repair purposes on such terms and conditions as the Select Board may determine, and further to see if the Town will raise, appropriate or transfer from available funds the sum of \$25,000, or any other sum, or accept gifts for these purposes, or take any other action relative thereto.



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- There are four permanent easements on private property ranging in size from 20 square feet to 1,543 square feet.
- There are sixteen temporary easements on private property ranging in size from 28 square feet to 1,622 square feet.
- Federal highway requires the Town to establish the fair market value of all easements to be acquired and to pay that amount to property owners.



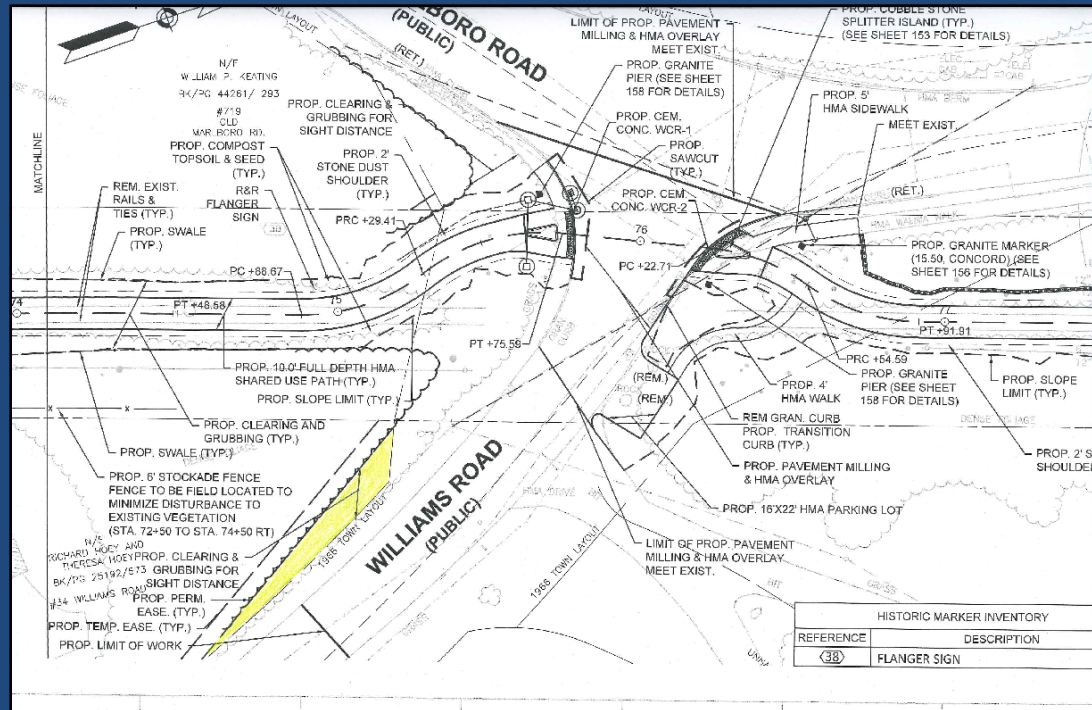
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Easements are needed over private property for:

- Pedestrian/Bicycle pathways
- Clearing, grubbing, grading, loam and seed
- Sight distance
- Paving
- Driveway



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Sight line easement adjacent to Williams Road to improve visibility where Rail Trail crosses street.



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Easement behind Woods Hill Table for Rail Trail path



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