

4. The BFRT Safety and Maintenance

Produced by the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Advisory Committee (BFRTAC), Town of Concord

Welcome to the
Bruce Freeman Rail Trail








- Stop at ALL STOP signs
- Bicyclists and skaters yield to pedestrians
- Keep to the right; pass on the left
- Use an audible signal when passing
- Look before passing
- Bicyclists and skaters should wear safety helmets
- Keep pets on a short leash, remove droppings
- When stopping, do not block the trail
- No littering – carry in, carry out
- Respect property adjacent to the trail

In emergency, dial 911





Rules, Safety and Enforcement

The Trail Rules for the BFRT are shown in the trail rules sign image. The BFRTAC contributed to the development of the rules for the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail in 2009.

The BFRTAC and the White Pond Advisory Committee have formed a joint subcommittee to work on the people management aspects of the rail trail.

The Town will conduct routine police patrols on the trail. If problems are identified or complaints received, the Police Department will evaluate the problem and enforce as needed.

Image of trail rules sign and logo provided by The Friends of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail

Fostering Stewardship

The BFRTAC is currently working on including interpretive signage to foster stewardship of the trail and the surrounding areas.



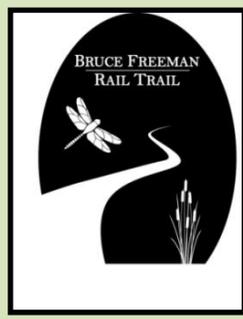
Maintenance

The Town Manager will add a BFRT line item to the 2016 Town budget. Maintenance will be coordinated by Concord Public Works and may include cooperation with the Friends of the Bruce Freeman Rail Trail organization, other groups and possibly surrounding towns.

TYPICAL MAINTENANCE ACTIVITIES

FREQUENCY	ACTIVITY	
AS-NEEDED	Tree and shrub trimming Shoulder and grass mowing Trail sweeping	Trash and litter removal Graffiti removal Sign & amenity repair/replace
SEASONAL	Fallen tree removal Planting / re-beautification	Culvert cleanout Revegetation of adjacent areas
LONG-TERM	Fence repair Bridge / tunnel inspection	Pavement crack / spot repair Trail resurfacing

Excerpt from The Bruce Freeman Rail Trail Environmental and Engineering Assessment Report document, pg 16-1



Parking

The BFRT design provides for ~10-15 parking spaces on Commonwealth Ave and ~50 additional spaces in West Concord.

Official trail parking will be identified in the BFRT brochure for Phase 2C.

The Phase 1 brochure can be found at:

http://www.brucefreemanrailtrail.org/pdf/BFRT-Brochure_2010-11-bw-fnl.pdf