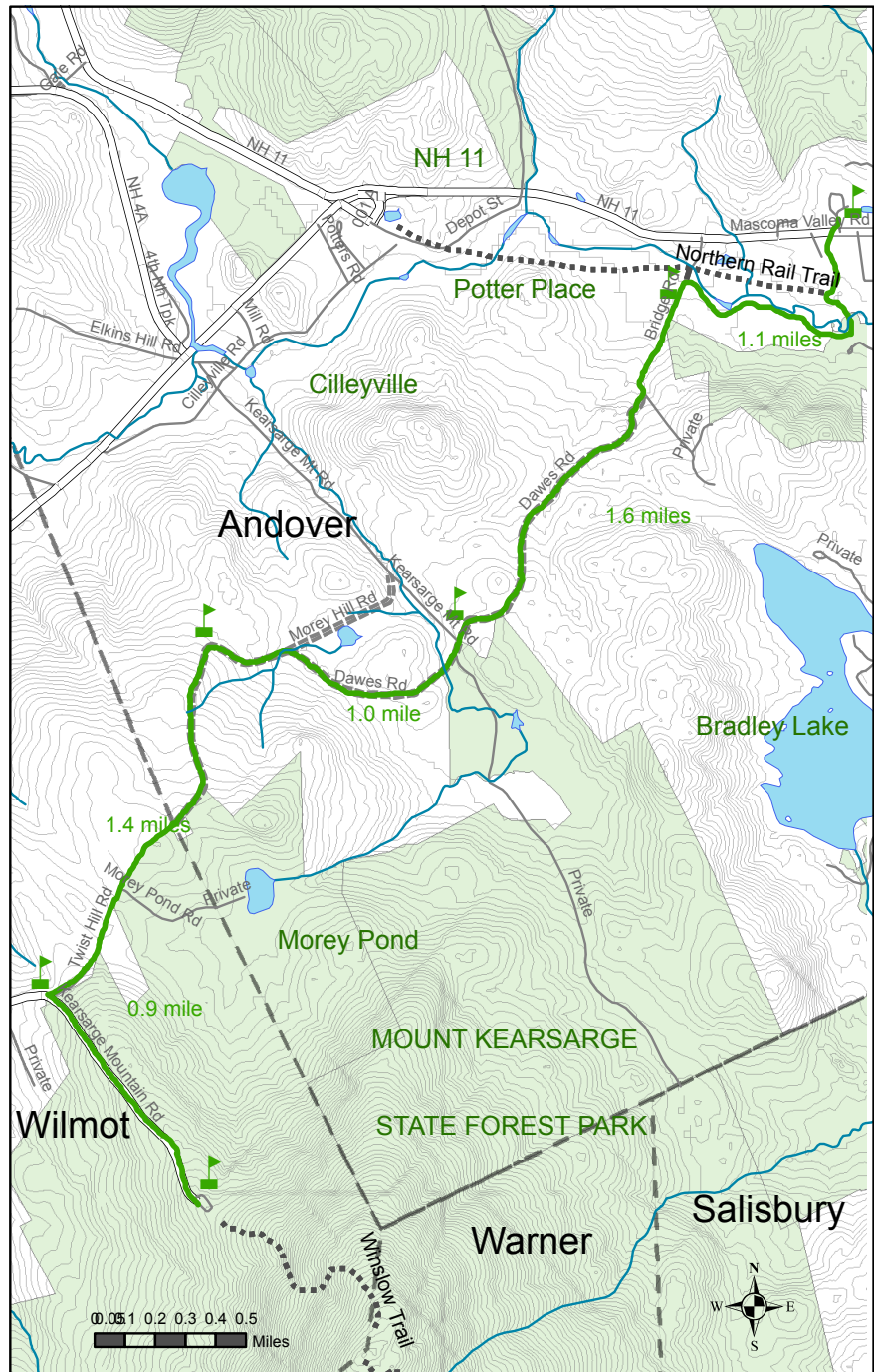


Trail 10 Proctor Academy to Winslow State Park

Finding the Trailheads: The northern trailhead is at Farrell Field House at Proctor Academy, in the center of Andover on routes NH 11 and US 4. The Farrell Field House is the large red brick building directly across the road from the white-fenced playing fields, just west of the town center. Parking is both in front of and behind the field house. The southern trailhead is in Winslow State Park in Wilmot. The park is reached via Kearsarge Valley Road, which leaves NH Route 11 in Wilmot Flat, 4.5 mi. west of Proctor Academy's Farrell Field House, or 3.8 mi. east of the intersection of NH routes 11 and 114 in New London. The park is also accessed from Interstate 89, Exit 10, in Sutton; follow the signs to North Road, Kearsarge Valley Road and then Kearsarge Mountain Road; where it's 2.2 uphill miles to the gate. Parking at Winslow requires a fee or park pass during peak seasons. Winter parking is permitted at the park gate or snow plow turnaround.



Total Distance: 6.0 miles Estimated time: 3.5 hours
 Ascents: total 1300 feet Descents: total 140 feet

Overview: This section of the SRKG leaves Proctor Academy in Andover (incorporated 1779) and climbs gradually from the Blackwater River Valley to Winslow State Park in Wilmot on the northwest shoulder of Mount Kearsarge. Using several unmaintained Class VI roads, it passes through abandoned settlement areas. The section from Morey Pond to Bridge Road is a popular snowmobile and cross-country ski trail. With state and federal trails and transportation funding, the Andover to Danbury section of the 1847 Northern Railway is being rebuilt as a recreation trail by the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail in Merrimack County (see the link at www.srkg.com).