






## HATCH LOTS CONSERVATION AREA

Hatch Lots contains 44 acres of historic wood lots located between Grove Street, Bowker Street, Prospect Street and Edgewood Road. The main parking area is located on Grove Street. The public right of way from Prospect Street at the end of Captain Joshua Lane was altered by development and is in process of being reclaimed.

**DIRECTIONS:** From Route 53, turn onto Grove Street at traffic light. Proceed 1.8 miles on Grove Street to property on right hand side of road. Parking for 3-4 cars is available off road. A sign kiosk in the parking lot contains a site map and information.

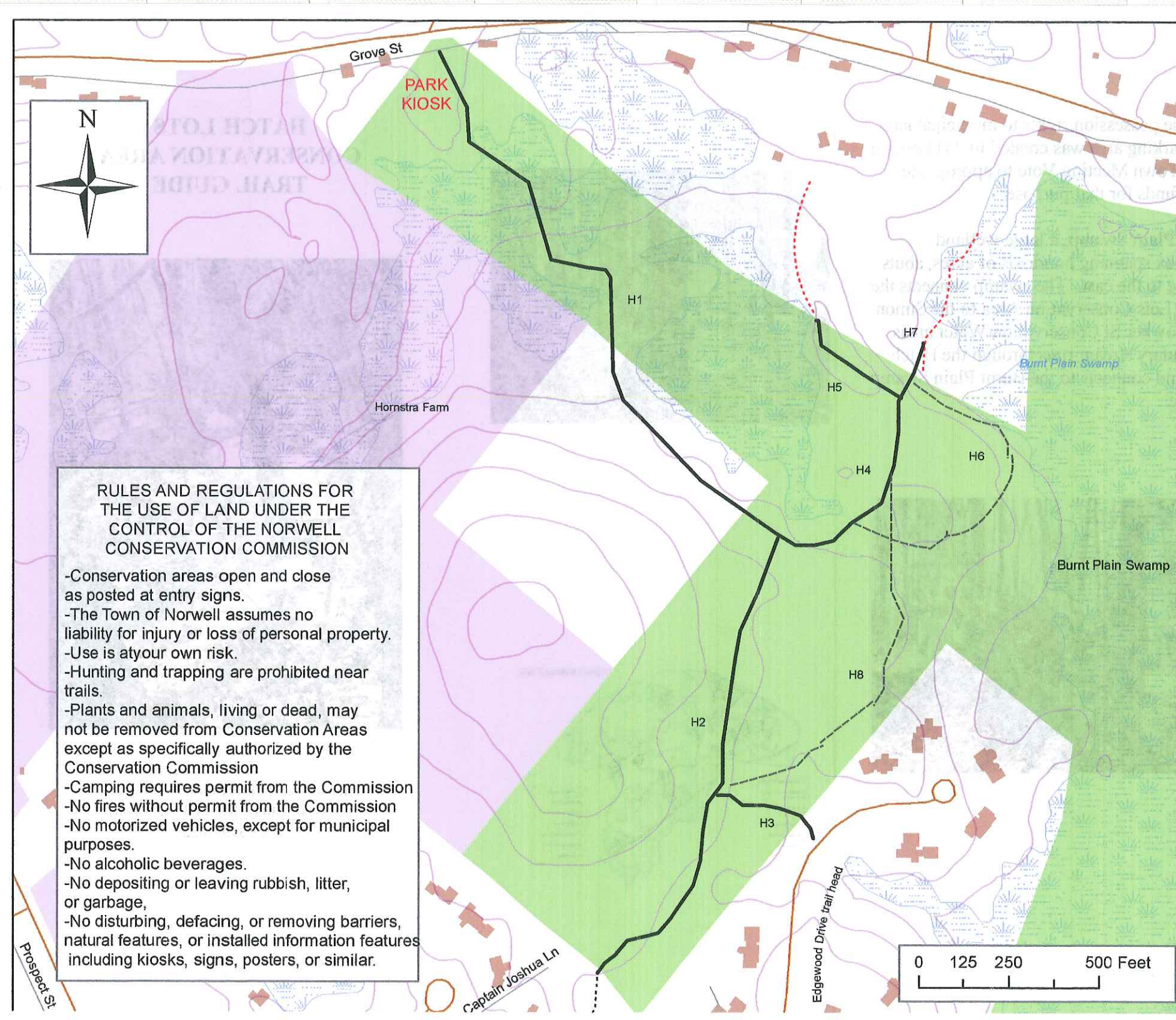
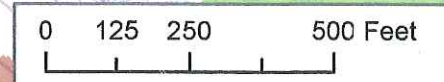
**TRAIL DESCRIPTION:**  
The trail traverses a mixed forest and crosses a small stream. The main trail is approximately 1 mile one way and takes 30-40 minutes round trip from the parking lot at a moderate pace.

### Legend

-  10 ft contours
-  Hornstra Farm
-  ConCom
-  Water\_Dept
-  WETLANDSDEP\_1to12K

### RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF LAND UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE NORWELL CONSERVATION COMMISSION

- Conservation areas open and close as posted at entry signs.
- The Town of Norwell assumes no liability for injury or loss of personal property.
- Use is at your own risk.
- Hunting and trapping are prohibited near trails.
- Plants and animals, living or dead, may not be removed from Conservation Areas except as specifically authorized by the Conservation Commission
- Camping requires permit from the Commission
- No fires without permit from the Commission
- No motorized vehicles, except for municipal purposes.
- No alcoholic beverages.
- No depositing or leaving rubbish, litter, or garbage,
- No disturbing, defacing, or removing barriers, natural features, or installed information features including kiosks, signs, posters, or similar.





The Hatch Lots are named after a group of historic wood lots created by a farmer named Samuel Hatch in the 1800s.



The Loring Farm Trust sold 14 acres to Norwell. At that time three other lots that were held under the Town were transferred to Conservation. This brought the total up to 44 acres.

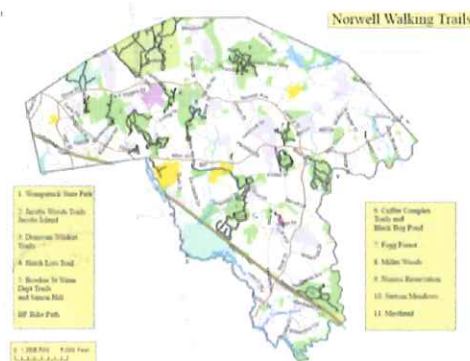
Hatch Lots is a 44 acre conservation area that was established in 1977. The conservation land connects the neighborhoods on the corner of Grove and Prospect Streets to Edgewood Park. There are currently entrances on Grove and Edgewood. A public right of way off Prospect St and Captain Joshua Lane was impacted by development and is on the list of areas to be reclaimed by the Commission as there is no

adverse possession rights to municipal land. The parking area was created in 2011 after a 2010 Town Meeting Vote to appropriate CPC funds for that purpose.

Burnt Plain Swamp, a large wetland complex spanning hundreds of acres, abuts the site to the east. The swamp connects the Hatch Lots Conservation Area to the Simon Hill Bowker St Conservation/Water areas. A tributary stream runs through the Hatch Lots and connects to the Burnt Plain Swamp off site.



## HATCH LOTS CONSERVATION AREA TRAIL GUIDE



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