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Camden, ME 04843

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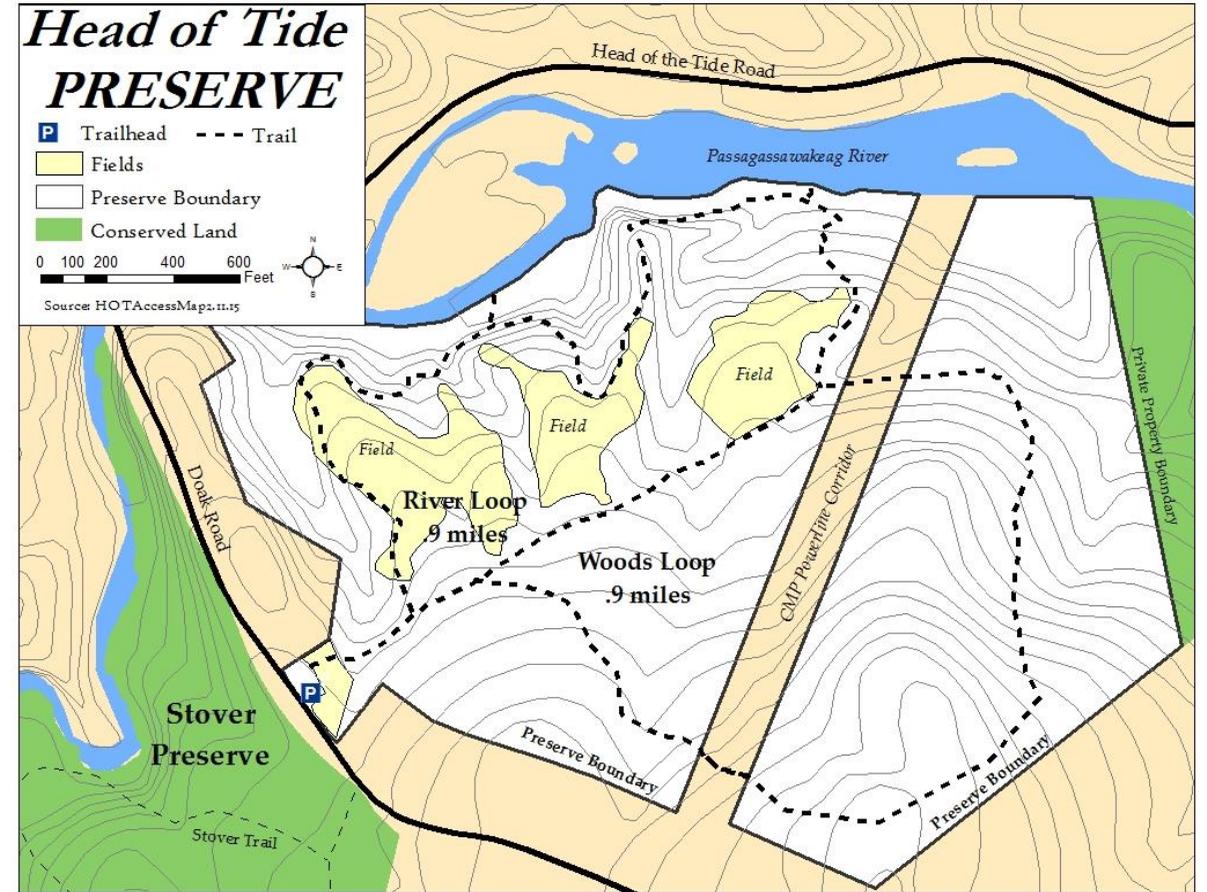


View along Passagassawakeag River

HEAD OF TIDE PRESERVE

Guide & Trail Map

Belfast, Maine



Trail Information

Follow signs from the parking area on Doak Road. The trail proceeds through and past several old farm fields down to the forested banks of the Passagassawakeag River.

Difficulty: Easy, though depending on the season, patches can be muddy. Slight drop to river at the end of trail.

The trailhead kiosk was built by Boy Scout Tommy Schleicer for his Eagle Scout project.

During your visit look for...

Giant White Ash (*Fraxinus americana*) standing sentinel at the start of the trail

Ospreys (*Pandion haliaetus*) nest along the power line corridor dividing the Preserve and fish in the river, as do **Belted Kingfishers** (*Megasceryle alcyon*) and **Bald Eagles** (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)



Head of Tide Preserve

The preserve abuts two other properties we have conserved as part of our Passagassawakeag Greenway: the Stover Preserve (accessed right across Doak Road) and the privately owned Hall Conservation Easement. The goal of our ongoing Greenway conservation effort is to provide public opportunities for scenic riverside nature walks (that will one day be linked) within close proximity to downtown Belfast.

The Head of Tide Preserve's trail, built in 2011, increased the Land Passagassawakeag Greenway trail system by more than 50% and offers prime access to the Preserve's 2,460 feet of highly scenic river frontage. The fields and forests of this easily accessible Preserve make it a great place for family nature explorations in all seasons.

In late December 2009, the Land Trust purchased this picturesque 92-acre property along Belfast's Passagassawakeag River, thanks to the cooperation of landowners Jason and Martha Campbell. We named this

former farm the Head of Tide Preserve because it marks the uppermost reach of the river's tidal waters.

Permaculture at Head of Tide

Belfast Transition, a grassroots community organization, and Coastal Mountains Land Trust are working in collaboration on a permaculture project at Head of Tide. The project is designed to regenerate the agricultural potential of the Preserve by engaging the community in the hands-on practice of permaculture. Want to learn more? Give us a call!

Preserve Guidelines

Please help us keep this Preserve and trail a pleasure for all who visit.

- The Preserve is open during daylight hours.
- Hunting is permitted. Contact the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for detailed information.
- Please wear blaze orange during rifle season.
- Dogs are permitted off leash between dawn and noon (on leash after noon)

- Groups larger than 12, please contact the Land Trust before visiting the Preserve.
- Most importantly, have fun and enjoy!

The following activities are prohibited:

- Predator hunting and trapping
- Vehicles, motorized and non-motorized, including bicycles and horses
- Fires and camping
- Removal of native vegetation

If you have any questions, please call the Land Trust office at 236-7091 or send us an email at info@coastalmountains.org

Directions

Delorme Maine Atlas and Gazetteer
Map 14, A-4

GPS Coordinates: 44.445929, -69.047616

From Route One:

Heading south into Belfast, take first exit after the bridge towards Route 7/137. Turn left onto High Street and left again immediately after the convenience store. Turn right onto Route 7/137. Follow approximately .75 mi. The Preserve parking area is on Doak Road, immediately after Doak's Machine Shop.

Heading north, take Route 7/137 exit (first exit after Reny's Plaza). At stop sign, turn left onto Waldo Avenue. Follow for approximately 1 mile. Turn right onto Doak Road. Follow approximately .75 mi. The Preserve parking area is on Doak Road, immediately after Doak's Machine Shop.



Our mission is to permanently conserve land to benefit the natural and human communities of western Penobscot Bay. Since 1986, the organization has protected or facilitated the protection of more than 10,000 acres of land as preserves or conservation easements.

All of the Land Trust's preserves are open to the public.

The Land Trust works cooperatively with landowners to permanently protect biological diversity, scenic landscapes, and agricultural, forest and water resources, to promote awareness of the value of land conservation, and to provide opportunities for the public to enjoy and experience natural lands.

Join Us!

The Land Trust is an accredited community-based organization that relies upon the generous support of its members and volunteers. Please consider becoming a member and/or volunteer with the Land Trust.

