Year of this Report: 2012

Owner: name, address, phone, email if relevant (Also name of local contact if relevant.):

Frederic Cheyette Address: 119 Shutesbury Road, Leverett, MA 01054 Telephone: 413-548-9023 Email: flcheyette@amherst.edu

Date owner invited to monitoring: about an hour before the visit (voice mail) then met him before and after my walk.

Date and recommendations from last year's monitoring:

Plan for time to walk/paint with the owner.

Date of this year's monitoring: October 25, 2012

Participants: Mary Alice Wilson

Brief description of route taken (also draw on map):

Started at A, walked counterclockwise to G and then on around and back to A. I did not check for ribbon on tree at F.

Multiple tracks on the map after covered bridge represent first a walk to hang ribbons and find the next corner stake, then walking back to the previous stake painting the trees, then removing ribbons on final trip to the end of the section. (On the south line, the walk was from the corner to the beginning of the stone wall. The barbed wire embedded in the trees comes out of the center of the tree, those pines must have been saplings the day that wire was installed.)

The walk SW from G on the south side of the stream was an attempt to walk on the property side, but braided stream and briars made that impossible. I then walked from G to E on the road (stream to my south). Presumably the track that shows inside the property line is the Gordon King right-of-way.

Describe any man-made alterations (include on map, add photograph or "none observed"):

None observed

Describe any natural alterations (include on map, add photographs or "none observed"):

None observed

Describe any interactions (on day of site visit or in past year) with landowner or others having use of the land:

We talked before and after my walk about the property and the monitoring process. Perhaps the most memorable moments this year were working with Fred on the East Leverett Trails. As he said, it had been his goal for many years to have trails through this wonderful area.

Describe any changes in use being planned (change of ownership, land use, etc.):

None known

List observations, comments, management needs, information requests, areas needing discussion or review:

The trees were painted but not blazed – which means they will need to be repainted in a few years. However, walking the line should be easier in the future than in the past.

After a very dry summer, we have had a very wet fall. This property is a classic example of the value of wooded wetlands for holding and filtering water.

List any needed follow-up:

None.

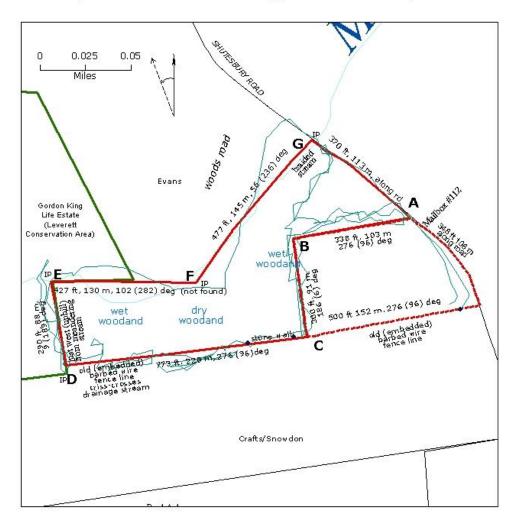
Suggestions for next year's monitoring team?

Enjoy. (And if it is wet year, wear boots.)

Signed: (Mary Alice Wilson)

Date signed: 10/28/2012

11/17/12 Date report to RGT Board 11/29/2012 Date copy sent to owner 11/29/2012 date copy given for archive



Cheyette CR Monitoring, October 25, 2012

- A. SE corner of CR (road, near house). 42.44495041, -72.48550504. red rebar
- B. Inside corner of building envelope) 42.44473080, -72.48666652 2, red rebar
- C. SE corner of CR (behind house, on line) 42.44404399, -72.48651540, red rebar
- D. SW corner of CR (abutting G.King) 42.44382782, -72.48917607, iron pipe by tree trunk
- E. NW corner of CR (east of covered bridge) 42.44453349, -72.48926609, iron pipe
- F. Along stream, 42.44450734, -72.48771535 (not found but ribbon on tree approximate)
- G. NE corner of CR (road, at stream) 42.44555927, -72.48656552, culvert, bent metal (red paint) pipe n side of stream
- Note: all found iron pipes have 3-dot red paint on trees, Most lines painted red (not roadside, streamside, not along stone wall section of s.side).