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Property: Long Hill Natural Area	Year of this Report: 2012
Owner: name, address, phone, email if relevant (Also name of local contact if relevant.): (skip if owned)	
Date owner invited to monitoring (skip if owned)	
Date and recommendations from last year's monitoring:  (Monitoring was done in 2011, but the report is not on file.)  Metal boundary tags were put on part of the border. More need to be done.	
Date of this year's monitoring:  November 4, 2012	
Participants:  Ken Kahn, Brooke Thoms, Mary Alice Wilson (and Judy Smith on November 2 <sup>nd</sup> , pre-monitoring trip)	
Brief description of route taken (also draw on map):  Visited corners below the view along Long Hill Road first. Then walked from the parking area (sign) on Camp Road clockwise around the property.	
Describe any man-made alterations (include on map, add photograph or "none observed"):  Work being done on house at the corner of the woods road down to Camp Road has probably obliterated the pin at point Y. Check next year. (photograph)	
Describe any natural alterations (include on map, add photographs or "none observed"):  The tree holding the Long Hill Natural Area sign grew around the nails and pushed the sign off. It has been replaced.  Downfalls were removed from the trail after the storm: two remain to block mountain bike	

access.

Debris was removed from the trail and drainage culverts maintained.

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

During the walk we had conversations with neighbors in the NE corner – they were very helpful finding corners and iron pins.

In response to concern from an owner of a small dog, a wood ladder was built for the shallow well near the trail to assist small animals crawling out.

There was a meeting with the Kestrel Trust staff (holders of the CR below the view) to open several views from the summit.

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

None planned.

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

After years of working on various parts of the corners and lines, we are very close to having found them all.

Lines in the SW need to be walked with the neighbor to make certain they are correct.

Once that is done, all lines can be painted and tagged. Future monitoring will need to occasionally repaint lines, but will have more opportunity to visit the various lovely parts of this property.

List any needed follow-up:

Walk the west line with the neighbor (Ken and/or Brooke)

Finish painting and tagging lines. (Mary Alice and perhaps Ken and Brooke)

Some work needs to be done on maps and annotated surveys – the earliest documents used a different numbering system for the two tracts of land. A new set of annotated surveys and deeds

needs to be put on the website and in the notebooks. Also information on the (at least) 36 corners (latitude and longitude and photographs) needs to be updated. (Mary Alice)

Suggestions for next year's monitoring team?

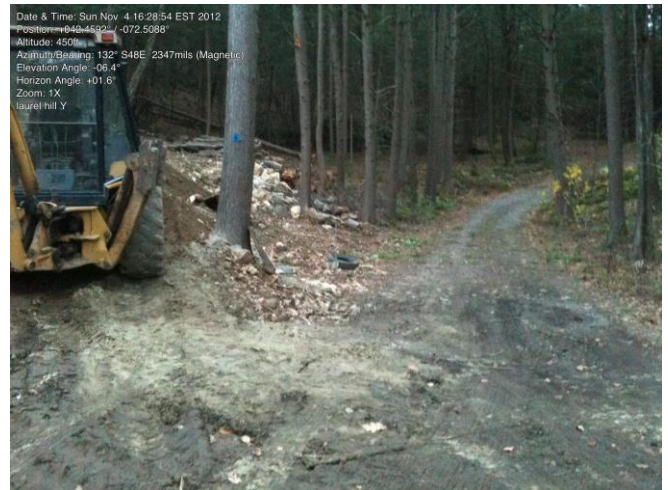
Given the diversity of tree species on the flat near the trail head, it is proposed that brush be cleared and identification tags be placed on different species.

Signed:

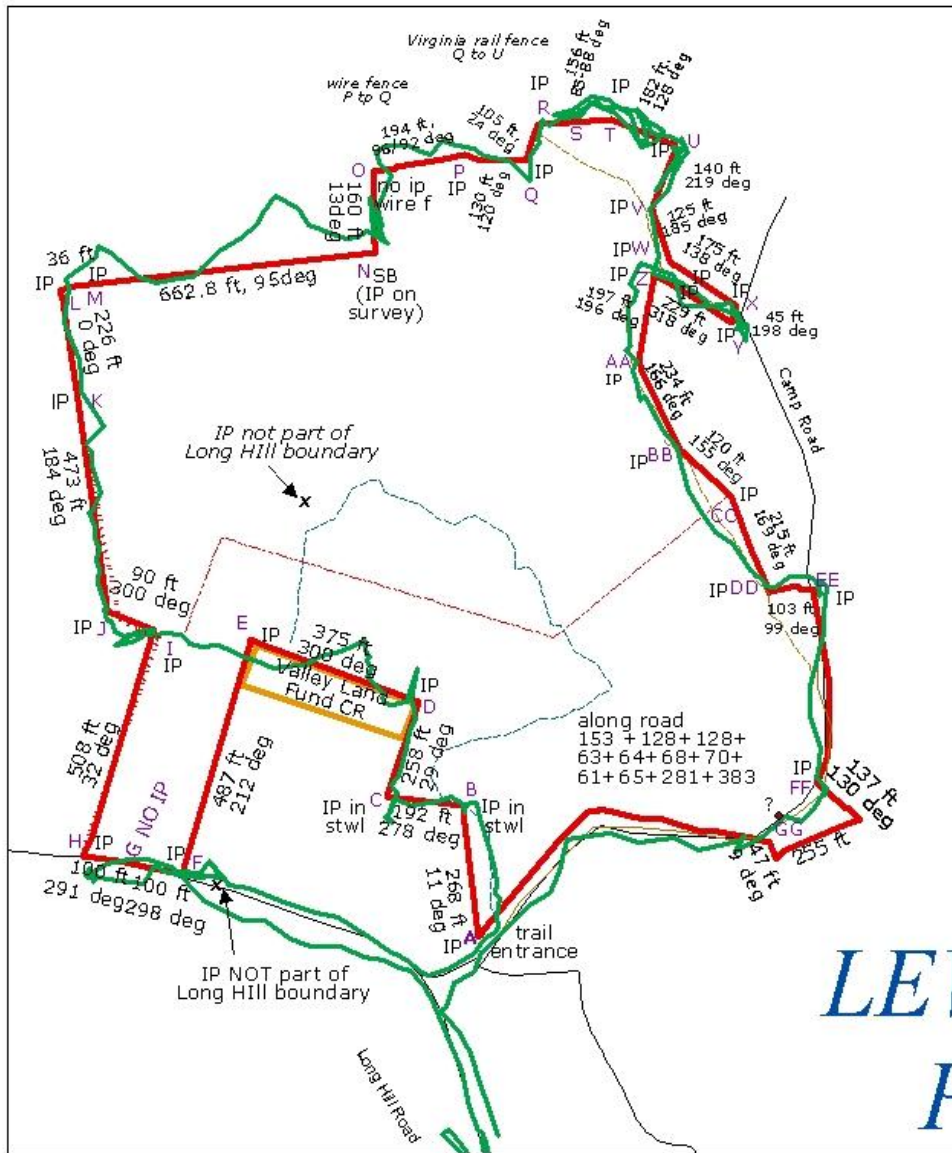
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..... Date report to RGT Board ..... Date copy sent to owner ..... date copy given for archive

Looking NW up the woods road from Camp Road. Iron pin is probably under the tire of the back hoe.



## Long Hill Natural Area for Monitoring



--- dividing plots A and B

A-EE used in boundary list (excel) and photo list (word)

(Note: property borders Camp Road Mass GIS map has road in the wrong place)

