

Seaton Trail - Friends Walkthrough and Survey –May 8, 2010

Survey was complied by Gary Ataman and Gord England on May 8, 2010.

We referred to Michael Wirch Seaton Trail Walkthrough May 2009 and April 2010 list as we walked the trail. Items on Michaels list were note and generally not repeated on our list unless we had additional comments to add.

Improvement to the trail so far where much appreciated.

The trail is 13 km from Rossland Rord to Highway #7 parking lot



1S090

Define trail currently 3 routes thought trees. Current trail falling into river. Need to drain wet area and redefine trail away from river bend.



1N013

Michael Wirch list referred to closing the "Woods Loop Trail"- consult with Arnold and Mark. We do want these branch loop trails closed. The main Seaton Trail is white blazed. We suggest these trails be blue blazed as a secondary trail. In the future their might be additional trails made or documented as blue trails and interconnected to the Seaton trail.

1N017

Erosion in middle of trail due to water run off and creek overflowing. Tripping hazard. Possible fill in with river rocks and sand



1N019 to 020

2 ATV river crossing need no motorized vehicle signs to be posted.



1N022

River erosion and trail and guard rail falling into creek. Need a trail re-route away from creek.



1S069

ATV river crossing and up hill near railroad bridge need 4 no motorized vehicle signs to be posted.

Michael list suggest fencing off dirt bike jump. There has already been various fences put up and access holes cut through them. Not sure this is going to work.

West side of the creek is scared by various dirt bike and ATV trails.



1N034

Need water diversion to prevent water erosion of center of trail. Dirt Bike tire erosion is causing trail to become a creek.



1S057

Heading North or south we need a turn sign for the trail



“1S055 close lower trail”

Michael Wirch list states close trail.

Why do we want this trail closed?

Consider it a blue trail

1S052

Marker is at lookout confuses people to go to lookout but then people do not know to return the same way to the trail to continue. Suggest we remove this marker. The lookout is really a side trail off the main trail.

Add cliff caution signs



1S051

Close east 2 trails

Post sign NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES sign



1N044

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1S047
Tree down



1N047

Very wet section.

Need to reroute trail away from wet intersection

Lots of dirt bike and ATV activity.

Post sign NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES sign



1S027

Reroute of trail away from creek looks successful. Need some finishing touches on leveling trail tread and removing some small 1" diameter tree cuts that could be a tripping hazard.

Need to close off old trail



1N068

Re-route of trail last year not very successful . Area is very wet away from creek. Dries portion is near creek. However trail will be in the creek shortly. This area need more study to figure out best course of action.



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ATV activity coming down the hydro tower hill from farm lands. Need to post NO MOTORIZED VEHICLE signs



1N075

Fallen tree across trail



1N083

Extend board walk to fully traverse water sections

N43.87319, W79.12974 APPROX

Top of the stairs and just north along the ridge there is an old flattened shed with garbage. Shed material, old washing machine, various pieces of metal, plastic, barbed wire fence pieces. Some of the pieces are littering down the hillside. Access by pickup truck can be made from Taunton road at N43.874931, W79.13009



N43.87078, W79.13289

At the intersection of Old Whites Road and Forestream the trail is very complicated with markers heading to the parking lot and a T mark at the road. I think we need a map on a sign describing where the trail is and the parking lot. Or marks on the road

Need more markers heading across the bridge and partially up the old Whites Road to guide the first time user to the trail head on the west side of the creek heading into section 1 (N43.872823, W79.133384)



N43.871327, W79.132998

Garbage on side of Forestream Trail/ Old Whites Road bridge.
Need to get town to clean up area

Need to post NO DUMPING SIGNS



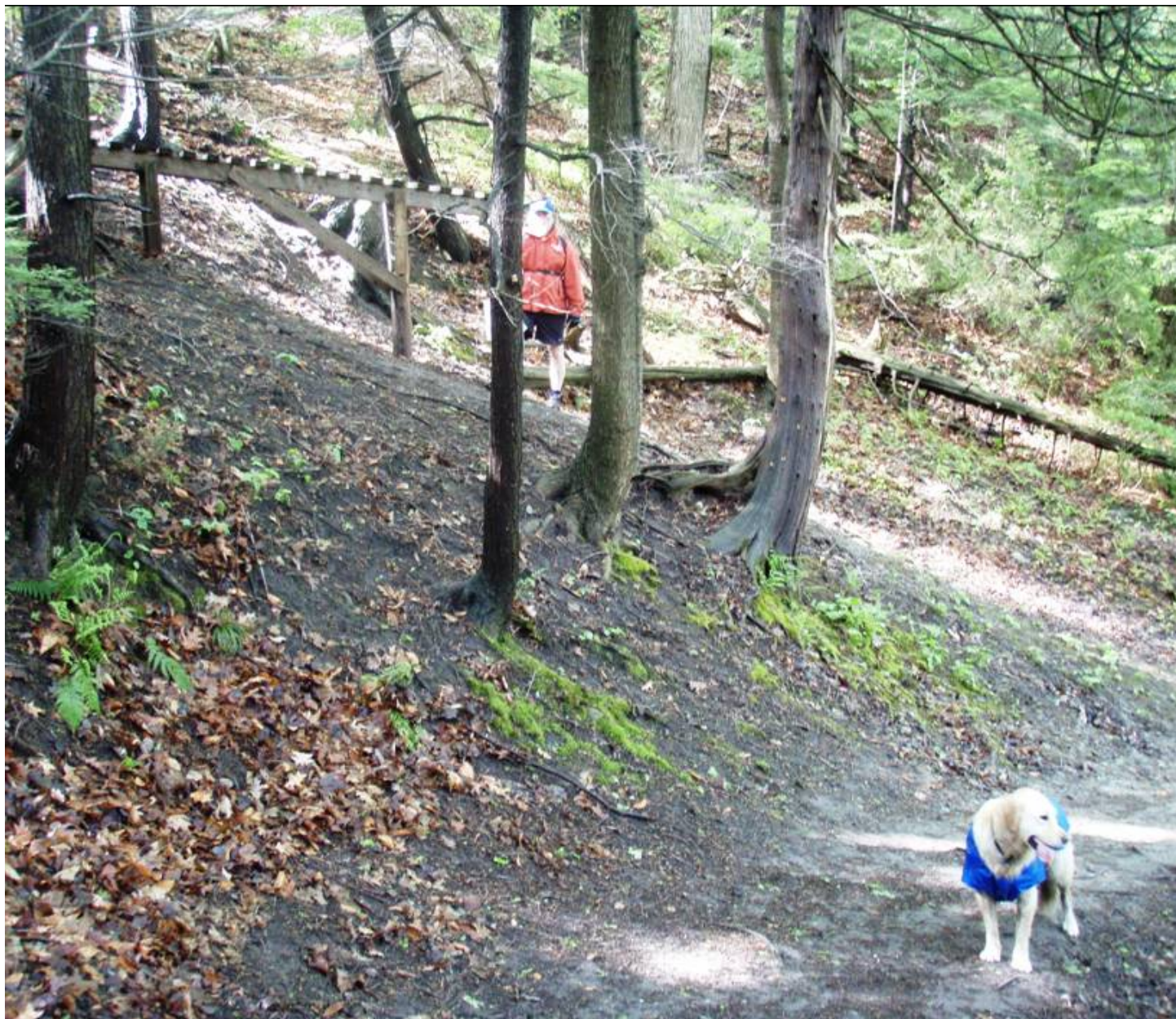
N43.872599, W79.137397

North side of Taunton Road overpass bridge

Stairs need some work. Loose gravel moving downhill and stairs loose and a trip hazard. Big O pipe is also showing.



2S106
Bike jump



2N033

Extend the current re-route due to second river wash out of trail due to water erosion.

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2N035

Old hydro pool with galvanized support wire fallen across trail . Currently the wires are about 3-4 meters in the air. But over time they will fall across the trail and pose a hazard. Wires are structural in nature (ie they are not carrying electricity from what I can see)



2N087

Gully re-route looks very good



2S033

Re-route required. Current trail falling into creek.



2N123

Bridge into Whitevale park needs to be position better and boards added to both ends to make a strong at corner edge. The bridge should be longer and transition into trail better.



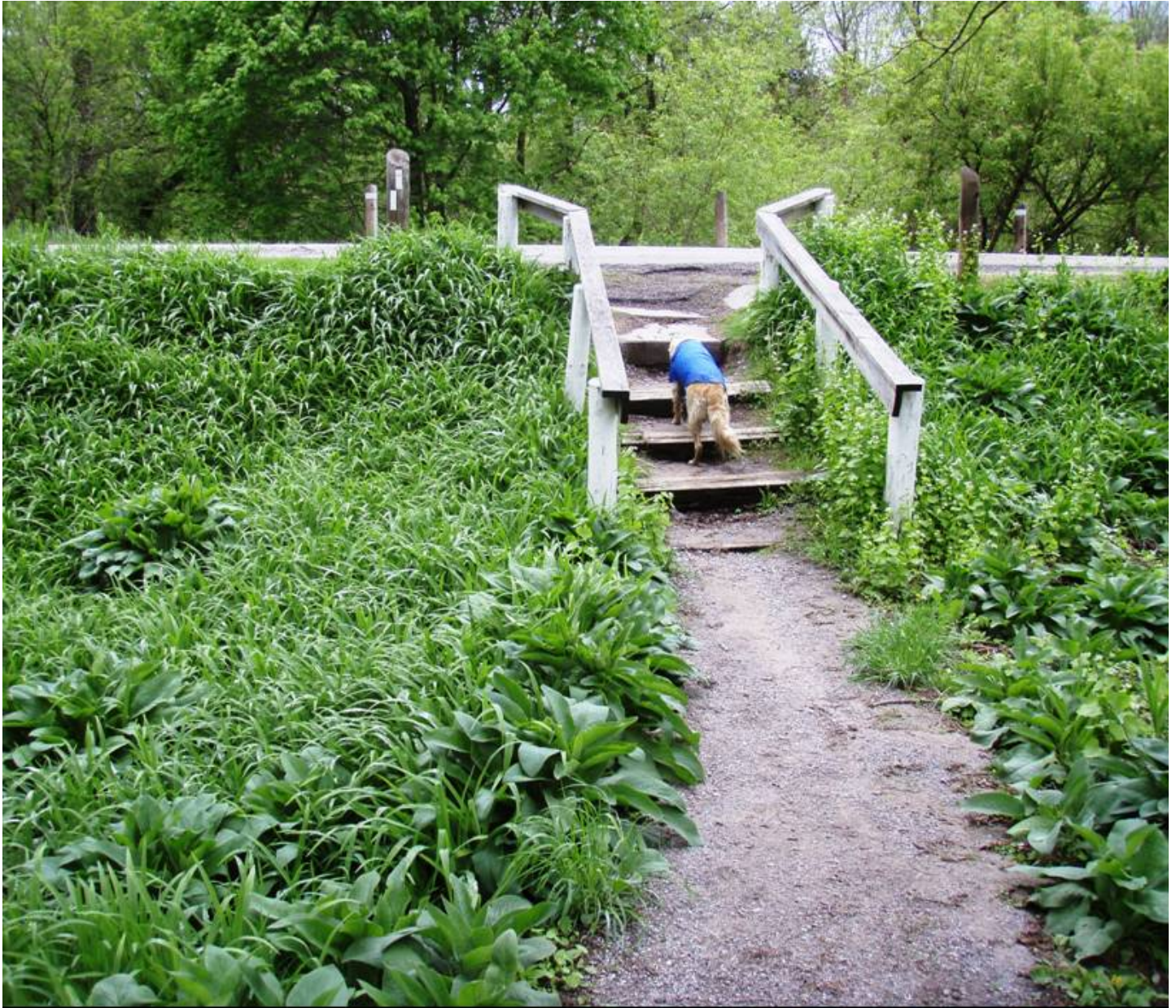
N43.8871783, W79.162614

Trail through Whitevale park is not clearly marked

Do we go to the road or between the buildings or along the river?

For a first time through trail hiker they might even come to the conclusion the trail ends in Whitevale?

Suggest trail follow the river and/or perimeter of the Whitevale park.



3N008

Sign needs a new bolt and large washer to secure it.



3N0098

Tree damage due to attached sign



3N016

Turn left markers are present but partially hidden in tree. When you get to large concrete barrier need a turn left trail marker or spray paint on barrier. There is a faint light white arrow on the concrete block.



3N021

New bridge under construction. Looks good.



3N031

Wet section could be re-route away from water pooling areas. People are already making alternate paths around wet sections. Need to re-route and block off old wet trails.



3N050

Dirt bike and ATV access around the bridge.

Suggest access be maintained for ATV so they can go from north to south side of the highway#407 overpass. Place NO MOTORIZED VEHICLE signs at north and south entrance to Seaton trail. 2 signs required.



1N050

North side of highway#407 overpass. Lots of ATV use.



At highway # 7 Green River Parking lot
We need about 20 of these signs posted at every ATV/dirt bike access point.



Green River New Parking Lot and Kiosk
Looks good.

