

## Bacon Hill Trails Emergency Access Information

1268 Vernon Street Albany Township, Maine 04217

Trails for mountain biking

Trails open ~May 1- November 1, weather dependent

Interior Road Access: Yes, limited

**Property Overview:** Bacon Hill is a 4 mile network of mountain bike trails sited within a large parcel of private property east of Vernon Street that is open to public use. This Vernon Street access point is also where the popular Long Mountain hiking trail originates from.

**Main Access:** The main access point is a medium sized gravel lot on the left side of Vernon Street six miles from the intersection with Main Street in Bethel, .15 mile past the Summer Bean Road. This lot is where the trails originate from. There is a small sign on Vernon Street reading "Long Mountain Trail" at the dirt driveway entrance.

**Schedule:** There is no gate at this lot and the property is accessible 24/7. The primary winter use is hiking/snowshoeing the Long Mountain Trail and the mountain bike trails are sparsely used in winter. The biking trails close on November 1st and reopen after "mud season", approximately May 1st.

**Additional Information:** The property boundary is marked with yellow blazes and does not follow a trail. The Long Mountain Trail leaves from the same lot and travels 2.5 miles up to a look out. It is currently managed by the private property owner.

Interior Road Access: There is limited interior road access. A vehicle with high clearance and a knowledgeable driver is needed for travel past the parking area. The interior road enters at .8 miles along the Big Bacon Trail. The road begins at the end of the Sumner Bean Road, just north of the trailhead driveway. There is a gate on the right with a lock and Inland Woods + Trails has the combination. After .5 miles on the dirt road it crosses the Long Mountain Trail and after .7 miles it enters the Big Bacon Trail. Big Bacon follows this road for .37 miles before entering back into the woods.

## Coordinates for significant points in the network:

Parking Area: 44.33555, -70.76141

1st Big Bacon entrance: 44.33389, -70.75935

2nd Big Bacon entrance: 44.33111, -70.76012

## **Trail Signs**

Each property has wooden signs at trail heads, trail junctions, and viewpoints. Most signs have a number on the back upper corner to help locate individuals if they call for help.

The following is the sign wayfinding numbers for this network:

Sign Number	Sign Location	Sign Text
BH- 1	Bacon Hill Trails and Long Mountain Trail trailhead	Little Bacon ^
BH- 2	Beginning of Little Bacon Loop	Little Bacon <-
BH- 3	Beginning of Little Bacon Loop	One way enter here
BH- 4	Beginning of Little Bacon Loop	One Way Traffic Do Not Enter
BH- 5	First entrance to Big Bacon off of Little Bacon, with the playground	<- Big Bacon/The Playground
BH- 6	First entrance to Big Bacon off of Little Bacon, with the playground	One way enter here
BH- 7	First entrance to Big Bacon off of Little Bacon, with the playground	Little Bacon <-
BH- 8	Second entrance to Big Bacon off of Little Bacon	<- Big Bacon
BH- 9	Second entrance to Big Bacon off of Little Bacon	Little Bacon <-

## **Bacon Hill Trail Maps**



