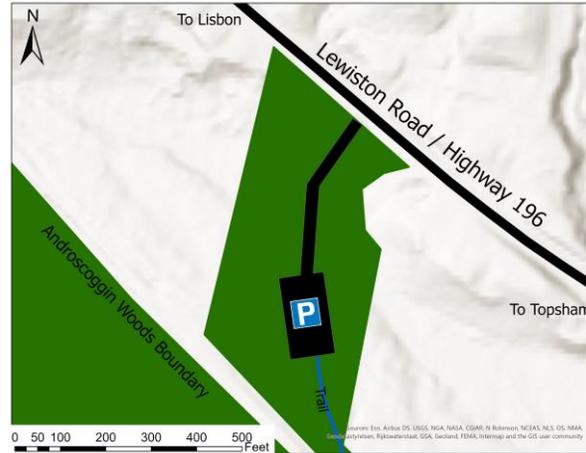


# Androscoggin Woods

Androscoggin Woods is a 53-acre property conserved by the Brunswick-Topsham Land Trust in 2019. The property includes a long stretch along the Androscoggin River as well as 14 acres of wetlands which provide important habitat for many plant and animal species. The Androscoggin River begins at lake Umbagog in Errol, New Hampshire, and flows into Merrymeeting Bay – a unique inland, freshwater, tidal delta where six rivers join.

The indigenous people who farmed, hunted, and fished along the river were called the Arasagunticook and were part of the wider Wabanaki community that inhabited the region for thousands of years before colonization. They depended heavily on the resources of the river – from the fertile floodplains for growing corn to the abundant fish. It was these same resources that brought early colonial settlers, who also soon dammed the river for its power, which, by the early 1800's had all but destroyed the once abundant fisheries. Later, pulp and paper mills released toxic waste into the river, and it became one of the most polluted waterways in the nation. It was this river that inspired Senator Ed Muskie, of Rumford Maine, to press the US Congress to adopt the Clean Water Act of 1972 – which resulted in the much cleaner river you can visit today.

With over a mile of trails both inland and along the riverfront, this preserve provides excellent access for hiking, fishing, and nature observation. Boat access is welcome. We hope you enjoy your visit!



## DIRECTIONS TO PROPERTY

From the Topsham Fair Mall, head west on Route 196 towards Lisbon. After passing the I-295 overpass, continue west on Route 196/Lewiston Road for 4.5 miles. When you see W. Merrill Road on your right, slow down and look for the Androscoggin Woods property sign on the left side of the road just past the driveway for 1074 Lewiston Road. If you've hit Dewey Drive, you've gone too far!

## TRAIL USE RESTRICTIONS

- Open dawn to dusk
- On-leash Dogs Permitted (dog waste removal required)
- No off-road vehicles, bicycles, snowmobiles, or horses
- No fires or camping
- Stay on marked trails
- Deer hunting not allowed, waterfowl blinds only by permission



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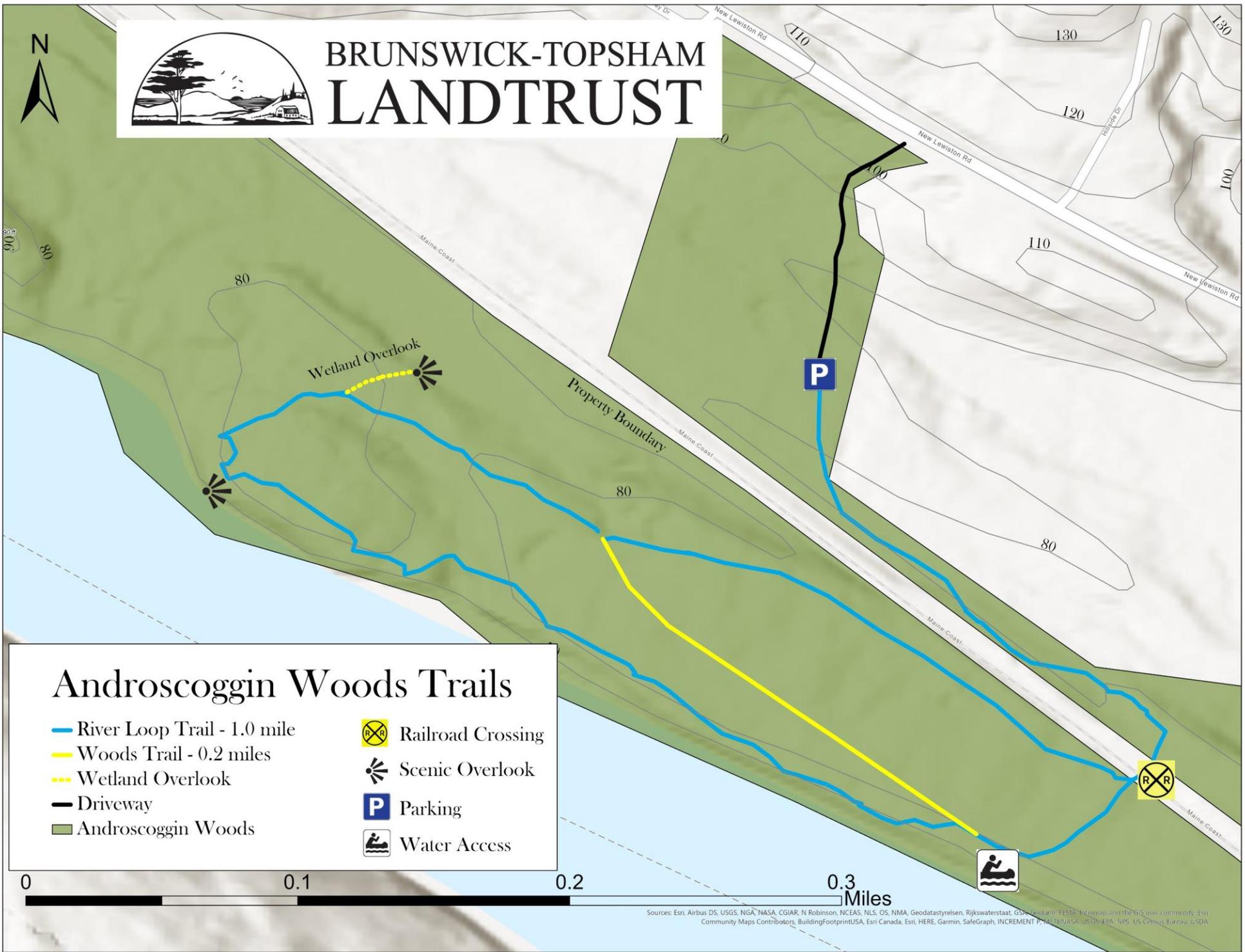
Online maps available at  
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## OUR MISSION

To preserve, protect, and steward the cherished landscapes and rich natural resources of our communities, to provide access for recreation, and to support local agriculture and other traditional land uses, now and for generations to come.



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## Androscoggin Woods Trails

-  River Loop Trail - 1.0 mile
-  Woods Trail - 0.2 miles
-  Wetland Overlook
-  Driveway
-  Androscoggin Woods
-  Railroad Crossing
-  Scenic Overlook
-  Parking
-  Water Access



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