

Maps for the Down East Sunrise Trail

Notes from a 3-28-07 meeting

The Sunrise Trail Coalition will pursue two mapping projects:

1. A **working map** for use by the Coalition and the Trail Manager, in conveying and understanding a variety of information, such as the location of associated trails, the location of wetlands, adjacent owners, etc. The working map will be in the form of multiple layers of information in GIS format, with the potential to print selected information.
2. A **printed and online map** providing trail and related information to local and visiting trail users – the “have to have”, “go to” map. This map will utilize information gathered for the working maps. A system will be developed to be able to regularly update the map. This map will include:
 - The Down East Sunrise Trail as the spine.
 - All connecting trails of all types.
 - Mileage between destination points.
 - Public lands.
 - Points of natural and historic interest.
 - Local businesses sponsor and then appear on the map (and have a link to the website map).
 - Section maps centered on a trailhead.

Tora Johnson from the University of Maine at Machias GIS Service Center has indicated that she and her students will incorporate our mapping projects into their work.

Existing maps and information that can be incorporated into the DEST maps:

- Ice Age Trail
- Charlie Corliss will be mapping washouts, connections, timber harvests, and other inventory information.
- Department of Transportation maps
- Tax Assessors maps
- Snowmobile and ATV trail maps
- Bureau of Parks and Lands management plan maps
- Map information from Hancock Co. Planning Commission and Washington Co. Council of Governments
- DeLorme

The Committee who will work on the maps: Charlie Corliss (convener), Jim Fisher / Jen Boothroyd, Gary Dowling, Sally Jacobs, Jeremy Gabrielson, and David Whitney.