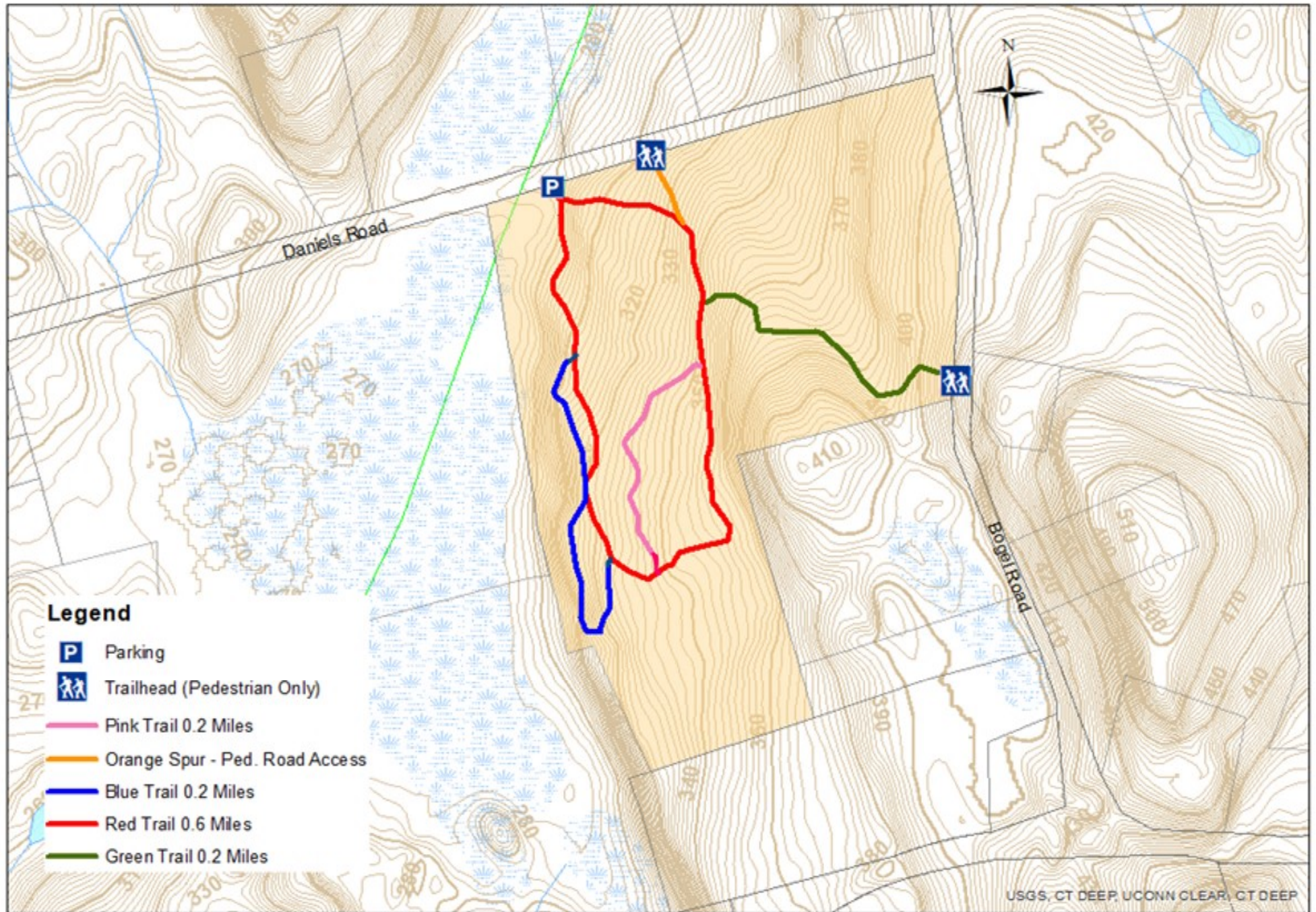


GELSTON EASEMENT



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GELSTON EASEMENT

Directions:

- * From Route 82 / Town Street.
- * Turn onto Daniels Road.
- * Head east for 0.6 miles..
- * Parking is on the right, immediately after a causeway that crosses a large wetland.

- * From Mt. Parnassus Road
- * Turn north onto Bogel Road
- * Turn left (west) onto Daniels Road
- * Parking is 0.3 miles on the left.

Report any problems during your visit to the East Haddam Land Use Office. 860-873-5031.

Trail Facts:

- The red blazed loop trail starts at the parking area. It is .6 miles long.
- The .2-mile Blue trail connects to the red trail and offers excellent views of wetlands to the west, especially in the winter.
- The .2-mile green trail connects to the red loop and provides access to the preserve (pedestrian only) from Bogel Road.
- The .2-mile pink trail offers a fine, dry route through mature forest.

Permitted Activities:

- ◆ Hiking
- ◆ Nature study
- ◆ Fishing
- ◆ Snowshoeing
- ◆ Mountain biking
- ◆ Horseback riding
- ◆ Birding

No motorized vehicles allowed on the property.



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The 46.5-acre Gelston Easement was purchased by the Town of East Haddam in 2004 from Sue Gelston. Known as the West Lot, it overlooks the beaver pond that was the original reservoir supplying water-power to the mills on Succor Brook, which leads to East Haddam Village. The trails offer lovely views of the beaver pond, where blue heron, piliated woodpeckers, and many other birds and waterfowl such as ducks and geese are frequently seen. An abundance of sugar maples on the property provide syrup for a neighboring farm. The 5-acre hay field in the northeast corner is under cultivation and not open to the public. Its trail system connects Daniels Road to Bogel Road and is a favorite area for hiking, birding, and horseback riding.

