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The Border to Boston Trail is a developing trail network that will stretch 70 miles between the New Hampshire border and Boston—providing a continuous route for a variety of non-motorized uses including walking, bicycling, wheelchairs, strollers, rollerskating, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing, and more.

Currently, the trail network is 44.1 miles long and there are several gaps in the route. There are portions of the trail that run through the communities of Salisbury, Newburyport, , Topsfield, Danvers, Peabody, Salem, Marblehead, Swampscott, Lynn, Saugus, Malden, Everett, Charlestown, and Boston. When complete, the route of the Border to Boston Trail will connect about 20 communities.

About the Route

The construction and continued development of the trail is happening in phases and is a coordinated effort of dedicated individuals, communities, and both state and local government. The Border to Boston Trail itself is part of East Coast Greenway, a connected network of trails that will stretch from Maine to Florida when complete.

The Border to Boston Trail utilizes a number of smaller trails and its route from north to south is as follows:

[Old Eastern Marsh Trail](#) (3.7 miles; paved)

Offering picturesque woodland and marsh surroundings, the Old Eastern Marsh Trail stretches for 3.7 miles between the MA-NH border and the north bank of the Merrimack River. The southern 2.3-mile section of the trail is also known as the Salisbury Rail Trail. The Old Eastern Marsh Trail is part of the Coastal Trails Network, which is developing in the four towns of Amesbury, Newbury, Newburyport, and Salisbury along the Merrimack River.

Following a former railroad corridor, the Old Eastern Marsh Trail is paved, flat, and wide enough for those on the trail to comfortably pass each other. There are mile markers and interpretative signage along the route. Along the northern portion of the route, there are signs for the East Coast Greenway and the Old Eastern Marsh Trail. Along the southern portion of the trail, there are signs for the Salisbury Rail Trail and the Essex Coastal Scenic Byway.

To access the northern end of the multiuse rail-trail, there is a 0.2-mile stone dust connector known as the Seabrook-Salisbury Trail Connector. The connector trail leads from the rear of the fire station parking lot (28 Collins Street, Seabrook, NH) to the north end of the Old Eastern Marsh Trail at the MA-NH state line.



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States: Massachusetts

Counties: Essex, Middlesex

Length: 44.1 miles

Trail end points: Seabrook Firemen's Parking Lot (28 Collins St, Seabrook, NH) to Portal Park (Causeway St & Lovejoy Wharf, Boston)

Trail surfaces: Asphalt, Boardwalk, Concrete, Crushed Stone, Dirt

Trail category: Rail-Trail

Trail activities: Bike, Horseback Riding, Mountain Biking, Inline

Parking & Trail Access

The Border to Boston Trail runs between Seabrook Firemen's Parking Lot (28 Collins St, Seabrook, NH) and Portal Park (Causeway St & Lovejoy Wharf, Boston).

There are numerous parking locations along the route, visit the [TrailLink map](#) for all parking options and detailed directions.

