#### TRAILS INFORMATION

#### Perimeter Loop (blue blazes) - 2.5 miles

The Perimeter Loop travels around the perimeter of Highland Retreat. During the summer months when Highland Summer Camps are in session, we ask people to use the Alternate Perimeter Loop. Highlights of the trail include the pond, Tabernacle Ridge observation area, summer camp area, and Oak, Hemlock and White Pine forests. Terrain along the loop varies from the gravel driveway of lower camp, to a couple steep hills, and walking along the ridgeline of Tabernacle ridge.

### Field & Forest Loop (orange blazes) -

1.5 miles (total loop)

The Field & Forest Loop passes through the Oak forest, upper field, and White Pine forest. During certain seasons, the field is a great place to observe migrating birds, butterflies, and wildflowers. The White Pine forest is a great spot to see turkey, deer, and owl pellets. There are several alternate trails that spur off the main trial that can make this a .5 mile easy loop and 1.0 mile loop. This trail does not have significant elevation changes.



#### TRAILS INFORMATION Continued

#### Pond Loop (yellow blazes) - 0.5 miles

The Pond Loop begins across the stream from the Tabernacle. The trail follows along the stream up to the pond and then travels on the pond road back to the starting location. The Pond Loop explores the various species of trees on Highland Retreat's grounds.

#### Tree House Loop (red blazes) - 0.6 miles

The Tree House Loop begins at the pond and explores the woods uphill of the pond, including a visit to the Tree House. The tree house was built in 1986 and continues to be a popular destination and sleep out location for the summer camp. This loop has several steep hill climbs and some rocky terrain.

#### Hillside Trail (brown blazes) - .15 miles

The Hillside Trail links the Mt Everett I camping area and the Tabernacle area. The trail travels through our Hemlock forest and explores the steep hill separating the lower and upper camp areas. Please stay on the trail, as our hillside is a very fragile environment.



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## **GENERAL HIKING CONSIDERATIONS During all seasons**

- Highland's steep hillsides are naturally beautiful but environmentally fragile. Please stay on marked trails to prevent erosion.
- Take only photographs, leave only footprints.
  Preserve plant and animal life for all to enjoy.
- Pets and all-terrain vehicles are not permitted at camp.
- Please help us maintain good relationships with our neighbors. Stay on Highland property except for designated marked trails leading from camp property to neighboring properties or National Forest lands.

#### **During mid-June to early August**

 When youth camps are in session (Sunday evening through Friday supper mid-June to early August), other guests are asked to remain clear of the youth camp area (main kitchen, A-frames, Tabernacle) except for designated use of the swimming pool.

#### **During Late Fall and Winter**

- Because of hunting seasons, please do not hike off of Highland Retreat property between November and January.
- No hunting on Highland Retreat property



