

Appendix C Recreation and Public Enjoyment Accomplishments

- Created the popular *Explore the Lamprey River* [map](#) and [guide](#) for passive, river-based recreational opportunities in the Wild and Scenic towns of Epping, Lee, Durham, and Newmarket 1996. Updated and reprinted 2020 and 2024.
- Purchased land near Wadleigh Falls in Lee, donated it to the Town of Lee, and installed a public canoe access and signage. With permission from the Town of Lee, secured construction permits and hired a contractor to address safety and erosion issues by adding a new granite step and water bars to direct stormwater to a vegetated area and improve ease of access (2024).
- Published [Public Paddling Access along the Lamprey River](#) (2020).
- Provided seed money for the establishment of [the Lamprey River Elementary School Eco-trail in Raymond](#) (2016).
- Provided the Town of Newmarket with funding to purchase and install kayak racks at three Lamprey River public access sites: Schanda Park, Piscassic/Sliding Rock Park, and Schoppmeyer Park. These racks hold town-owned kayaks that are available for use by the public through town recreational programs and individual rentals.
- Provided funding for improvements and/or kiosk signage at several town-owned parks along the main stem Lamprey River and tributaries:
 - Wiggin Farm in Newmarket (2025)
 - Old Lee Trail in Newmarket (2024)
 - [Sliding Rock Conservation Area/Piscassic Park](#) in Newmarket (2023)
 - [Heron Point Park](#) in Newmarket (2022)
 - [Little River Park](#) in Lee (2022)
 - [Thompson Forest](#) in Durham (2020)
 - [Tilton Conservation Area](#) in Epping (2020)
 - Lamprey River Elementary School Eco-trail in Raymond (2016), [main kiosk panel](#) plus 12 station panels
 - John Hatch Park at Wiswall Falls in Durham [NRCS Fish Ladder Panel](#) (2012), [John Hatch memorial panel](#) (2014)
 - [Mary Blair Park](#) in Epping (2009, 2012)
 - [Schanda Park](#) in Newmarket, 2011
- Partnered with the Lamprey River Watershed Association and Trout Unlimited to document canoe passage obstacles and hazards between Wadleigh Falls in Lee and the Route 87 crossing in Epping (2015-2016). Funded a pilot program to improve safe passage by removing and relocating several in-stream fallen tree hazards (2018). [Canoe Passage Enhancement summary report 2018.pdf \(lampreyriver.org\)](#)
- Funded the manufacture and installation of public canoe access signage on Route 152 Lee (2014) and on Route 87 in Epping (2018).
- Partnered with the Town of Newmarket to offer kayak race training (2018).
- Made a large contribution of funding and expertise for the creation of Schoppmeyer Memorial Park in Newmarket, 2016.
- Recruited partners to offer guided eco-paddles on the river (2017- 2019).

- Partnered with the Town of Newmarket to establish the Splash and Dash paddling event that includes a race out to Great Bay (2016-2018).
- Investigated and mapped a potential walking path along the Wild and Scenic section of the river (2015) [Final Report](#) and [Full Footpath Map](#).
- Awarded a Small Grant toward the publication of *Big Trees of New Hampshire*, 2013, which includes a separate section for the [Lamprey River Big Tree Tour](#). Two guided tours were offered to the public.
- Provided a Small Grant to the Town of Deerfield to develop the [Deerfield Community Trail Plan](#) (2011).