

Town of Conway COMMON LANDS

The Common Lands are located on the northern slopes of Black Cap Mountain, the northeastern Side of Cranmore Mountain, and the summit, eastern and western slopes of Hurricane Mountain. Two other “landlocked” parcels totaling approximately 200 acres are located off the E. Conway Road.

The Conway Common Lands were originally granted to and owned “in common” by the 69 original proprietors of the town. This was undivided land that was reserved for the proprietors to harvest forest products, as they were needed.

What is now called the Common Lands is a 908-acre parcel in the Green Hills; bordered by the White Mountain National Forest, the Conway State Forest, the Nature Conservancy, and the Cranmore Mountain Ski Area. It can be reached off Hurricane Mountain Road. The property is entirely in the “mountain zone” with elevations varying from 1,000’ to 2100’ at the summit of Hurricane Mountain.

The Common Lands are an integral part of the larger Green Hills area - an unspoiled 5000 acres on the east border of Conway. Now almost all of this Green Hills area is protected by conservation easements. Forest Management Plans are in place for almost the entire Green Hills area to produce sustainable forest products and insure in perpetuity the recreational, aesthetic, wildlife, and water resources we now enjoy.

Multi use trails criss-crossing the Common Lands are an integral part of the recreational trail system in the Green Hills. They are maintained thru the cooperation of the Conway Conservation Commission and the Nature Conservancy. For further information consult Nature Conservancy and AMC maps and guides.