

CHAPTER 1

OPEN SPACE AND RESOURCE PROTECTION

The Open Space and Resource Protection chapter of the Community Development Plan has two main sections. The first section involves the identifying and mapping of Northfield's significant natural, historic, scenic, and open space assets. Identifying and locating these resources is the first step to being able to protect them. The section contains maps of the Town's water resources, open space resources, prime farmland soils and steep slopes, and its scenic, historic, and recreational resources, and important habitat areas. Each of these maps is accompanied by a brief description of the resources that it identifies.

The second section of the chapter builds on the maps created in the first section, and considers what parts of Northfield may be unsuitable for future development due to sensitive environmental characteristics and the important natural, historic, and scenic assets which have been identified. It also describes a methodology for determining which areas are potentially developable and may be suitable for future development. The section contains maps of absolute development constraints, potential development constraints, and the potentially developable areas identified using the described methodology. Following chapters of the Community Development Plan continue this mapping activity and focus on determining which of the potentially developable areas may be the most suitable for particular types of development. For example, the Economic Development chapter identifies potentially suitable locations for new commercial and light industrial development, and contains a discussion of the spatial analysis and methodology behind these identifications. Similarly, the Housing chapter identifies potentially most suitable areas for new residential development.

Mapping and Identifying Northfield's Open Space, Scenic, Historic, and Natural Resources

The creation of maps of Northfield's natural, scenic, historic, and open space resources is important for understanding the spatial relationships of these resource areas to one another, and of these resources to the developed portions of town. The maps are an essential first step for prioritizing which parts of Town may be important to preserve and to protect from certain land uses, and for identifying which areas of Town may be suitable for future development.

This section describes the resource maps created for the Open Space and Resource Protection chapter, and the key resources that each map documents. It is important to note that the accuracy of the maps is limited by the regional scale of many of the data layers contained on the maps, and that the maps therefore, should not be construed as providing information on any individual parcels. Many of the data layers were created at a scale of

1:25,000 (1 inch = 2,083.3 feet), and as a result, provide only a general estimate of resource locations. For example, the regional wetland data layer, with a scale of 1:25,000, has wetland boundary lines with a maximum locational accuracy of +/- 20 feet. Notwithstanding the accuracy limitations of the regional data layers, they are still a useful tool for estimating the general location of significant natural and open space resources, and for identifying the general areas that are most important to protect and preserve.

Most of the data layers on the resource maps come from MassGIS, the Massachusetts Geographic Information System group in the Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA). For many of the data layers, MassGIS distributes data that are created and primarily maintained by other State agencies. For example, the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) created and maintains the data layer on DEP wellhead protection areas. In other cases, data layers are created and maintained in-house at MassGIS.

Water Resources Map

Water resources are important both as habitat areas and for water supply purposes. The Water Resources Map shows the location of surface waters, such as rivers, streams, ponds, wetlands, of wetland and river buffers, and of groundwater resources such as public water supplies, aquifers, recharge areas, and watersheds. The data on surface water bodies, including lakes and ponds is derived from U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) data layers. Additional water bodies not found in the NWI were located using 1999 MacConnell land use data provided by MassGIS, and include all areas with a land use code of 20 (Water). The watershed data layer comes from MassGIS and was produced using information from the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Water Resources Division and the Massachusetts Water Resources Commission.

The wetlands information is from the National Wetlands Inventory (NWI). The rivers and wetlands on the Water Resources Map are buffered in accordance with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40). The Wetlands Protection Act, first enacted in 1963, regulates and restricts development activities within wetland areas, the 100-year floodplain, a 100-foot buffer zone around wetland areas, and a 200-foot buffer zone around riverfront areas. Riverfront areas were added to the Wetlands Protection Act with the passage of the Rivers Protection Act in 1996.

The MassGIS/NWI wetlands data layer was created from aerial photographs. The data layer for Northfield was last updated in 1991, a relatively dry year. As result, the data layer may be understating the extent of some wetlands. The wetlands data layer includes forest-area wetlands, fire ponds, beaver ponds, and certified vernal pools. The wetlands data layer differs somewhat from the wetlands under jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act, but provides an approximation of these areas. With the Wetlands Protection Act, wetlands must be verified on a case by case, parcel by parcel basis to be fully protected from future development.

The aquifer locations on the Water Resources Map come from the aquifer data layer created and maintained jointly by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

and MassGIS. The potential yield of the aquifers was determined using surficial geological data from MassGIS and maps from the USGS. Aquifers provide the source for drinking water supplies such as community wells. Underground aquifer levels are maintained by groundwater flow from aquifer recharge areas. Protecting groundwater and aquifer recharge areas from degradation is important to maintaining the quality of public drinking water supplies.

The data on public water supplies, Zone I Wellhead Protection Areas, and Zone II Interim and approved Wellhead Protection Areas come from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). Public water supplies are wells that serve members of the public. Public water supplies can be community owned, such as city or town wells, or they can be privately owned, such as wells for private schools, restaurants, or inns. Zone I and Zone II Wellhead Protection Areas are those areas from which a wellhead draws most of its water supply. A Zone I Wellhead Protection Area typically has a 400-foot radius around a wellhead, and land uses within a Zone I area have an immediate impact on water quality. A Zone II Wellhead Protection Area includes all the sections of an aquifer from which a well would draw during an extended dry period (up to 180 days) without precipitation. Land uses within a Zone II area can affect water quality. Zone II Wellhead Protection Areas have been verified through DEP hydro-geologic modeling and officially approved. In the absence of hydro-geologic modeling studies, an Interim Wellhead Protection Area may be established by the DEP. The radius of an Interim Wellhead Protection Area will vary from 400 feet to half a mile, depending on a well's known pumping rate or DEP default values if the pumping rate is unknown. Only one of the public water supplies in Northfield, the Strowbridge Well, currently has a delineated Zone II Wellhead Protection Area.

Open Space Map

The preservation of large, contiguous open space areas is essential for protecting the integrity of natural ecosystems, and for supporting farming, forestry, and recreational activities. Preserving open spaces also helps maintain a town's rural character and historic and scenic landscapes and viewsheds. The Open Space Map shows the locations of open space land in Northfield that is permanently protected from development. The map also includes Town-owned lands that have limited protection status, and private lands that have temporary protection from development through their participation in the Commonwealth's Chapter 61 programs. Table 1-1 shows the total open space acreage in Northfield that has permanent, limited, or temporary protection from development. The information on the location of these parcels and their acreage comes from current (2002) Town of Northfield Assessors maps and data files. The GIS parcel coverage was provided to the Town of Northfield by Cartographic Associates, a mapping company.

Table 1-1: Acres of Protected Open Space in Northfield

Land with Permanent Protection from Development	Acres
<i>Owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts</i>	3,036
<i>Owned by the Town of Northfield</i>	41
<i>In the Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) Program (Private land)</i>	228
<i>With other Conservation Restrictions (Private land)</i>	123
<i>Owned by the Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust (Private land)</i>	14
Total	3,442
Land with Limited Protection from Development	
<i>Owned by Town of Northfield</i>	79
<i>Owned by the Northfield Water Co. District (Town of Northfield)</i>	174
Total	253
Land with Temporary Protection from Development (Private land)	
<i>Chapter 61, Forestry Land</i>	1,527
<i>Chapter 61A, Agricultural Land</i>	1,547
<i>Chapter 61B, Recreational Land</i>	45
Total	3,119

Source: Town of Northfield Assessors Records, March 2002.

The term “protection” refers to any number of mechanisms that help keep land from being developed and converted to commercial, industrial, or residential land uses.

Permanently Protected Land

For the purposes of this Community Development Plan, the term “permanently protected” indicates that no development may take place. Public land is considered to be “permanently protected” if it is owned by a State conservation agency such as the Department of Environmental Management (DEM) or if it is owned by a town for conservation purposes. Private land is regarded as “permanently protected” if it is owned by a land trust, if its development rights have been sold, or if a conservation restriction has been attached to the property’s deed and the land is restricted from having development. Once a conservation restriction has been placed on a property, the restriction will remain with the land even if the property changes ownership. In exchange for foregoing the right to develop the land, the property owner pays a lower level of property taxes. Privately-owned permanently protected lands include properties held by land trusts, and properties that are enrolled in the Agricultural Preservation Restriction (APR) Program. The APR is a Statewide program, run through the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture, that purchases the development rights of farmland on a voluntary basis. Under this program, landowners retain ownership of the land and the right to farm the land, and receive payments for the difference between the fair market value of their farmland, based on its development potential, and its value when limited to agricultural uses. In exchange for these payments, landowners agree to permanently restrict the land from development. Reducing the level of protection from development for any parcel of land that is owned by a State conservation agency, a land trust, or by a town for conservation purposes requires the approval of two-thirds of the State Legislature. Northfield has over 3,400 acres (3,442 acres) of land with permanent protection from development. The Open Space and Resource Protection Appendix at the back of the

Open Space and Resource Protection chapter contains a full listing of the permanently protected parcels.

Land with Limited Protection

A parcel of land in Massachusetts is considered to have “limited protection” from development when it is owned by a water district or a town, but has not been specifically designated for conservation. If a town-owned parcel of land is not under the legal authority of the Conservation Commission, but instead under the authority of the Select Board, then it is regarded as having only “limited protection.” The parcel in question could be considered a wildlife sanctuary or a town forest by residents, but it does not have the long-term protection afforded Conservation Commission lands. Decisions to convert town parcels without Conservation Commission protection to other uses, for example, to convert a town park to a school parking lot, can be made during Town Meeting. A parcel of land held by a water district is viewed in much the same way. Unless there is a legal restriction attached to the parcel’s deed, it is considered to have only limited protection from development. However, in order to convert a water district property to a developed land use, the water district is required to show the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) just cause for doing so. Northfield has 253 acres of land with limited protection from development. *(A listing of the limited protection parcels appears in the chapter Appendix.)*

Land with Temporary Protection

Properties that are enrolled in one of the Massachusetts Chapter 61 tax abatement programs have “temporary protection” from development. Chapter 61 is used for forestland, Chapter 61A for farmland, and Chapter 61B for recreational open space lands. The Chapter 61 programs encourages the continuation of forestry, farming, and outdoor recreation by taxing land at its use value rather than its market value based on its development potential. For example, forestland enrolled in Chapter 61 can have its assessed value reduced by up to 95 percent. In exchange for property tax reductions, landowners agree to continue the current principal use on the ir land for a certain amount of time. The time commitment for Chapter 61 and Chapter 61B is ten years, and the commitment required for Chapter 61A is generally at least five years. Northfield currently (as of March 2002) has a total of 1,527 acres under Chapter 61, 1,547 acres under Chapter 61A, and 45 acres under Chapter 61B. *(A listing of the Chapter 61 parcels appears in Appendix.)*

Land enrolled in the Chapter 61 programs is considered to have only “temporary protection” because landowners can leave the program at the end of their time commitment, and develop the land, or the land can be sold to a new owner for development purposes. Under the Chapter 61 program guidelines, if Chapter 61, 61A, or 61B land is going to be sold or converted into a developed use, the town where the land is located, has the right of first refusal and the option of purchasing and permanently protecting the land before this happens. The right of first refusal can also be sold or given to a land trust, to allow it to purchase and protect the property. The right of first refusal must be exercised within 120 days of when the property is placed for sale.

Prime Farmland and Development Constraints Map

The Prime Farmland and Development Constraints Map indicates which parts of Northfield are currently used for farming and which areas have prime farmland soils. The map also shows which parts of Northfield have slopes of 15 percent or greater. The 1999 MacConnell land use data layer provided by MassGIS was used to help determine which land is presently used for agriculture purposes. The MacConnell land use data layer is based on aerial photographs and classifies land uses into 21 primary categories. For the map, land was considered to be in agricultural use if it had a MacConnell land use code of 1 (Cropland), 2 (Pasture), or 21 (Woody Perennial). The woody perennial category includes orchards and plant nurseries.

The prime farmland soil data layer was created from a 1979 U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Soil Conservation Service Map entitled “Important Farmlands in Franklin County.” The Important Farmlands Map was interpreted from a 1967 USDA soil map and indicates the location of prime farmland, unique farmland, and additional farmland of Statewide importance. Of the three categories, prime farmland rates the highest for agricultural productivity and significance. Prime farmland soils are those soils that have the best combination of physical and chemical characteristics for producing food, feed, and fiber crops. They also have the soil quality, growing season, and moisture supply needed to economically and consistently achieve high crop yields. There is usually a strong correlation between prime farmland soil locations and agricultural land uses, and protecting prime farmland for agricultural purposes can help farming remain viable within a community.

The information on slopes came from the Franklin Regional Council of Governments Planning Department and was derived from contour line data from the (U.S. Geological Survey) USGS. The areas of Northfield with slopes of more than 25 percent are indicated, as are areas with slopes of 15 to 25 percent. It is generally considered unfeasible to build on slopes that are greater than 25 percent, due to the high costs of construction, the likelihood of erosion, and the difficulty of traversing such steep terrain, especially during New England winters. Building on slopes of 15 to 25 percent can have adverse environmental impacts such as erosion. In addition, slopes of 15 to 25 percent can pose constraints on industrial and commercial development. Industrial and commercial facilities typically require relatively flat slopes and it can be prohibitively expensive to regrade a site to that extent.

Scenic Environments and Unique Resources Map

Northfield has a large number of historic, scenic, and recreational resources. These assets contribute significantly to the community’s character and quality of life. The Town also contains a number of important habitat areas. The Scenic Environments and Unique Resources Map identifies the key locations for these various resources so that they can be better preserved and protected from development.

Important Habitat Areas

The habitat areas on the Scenic Environment and Unique Resources Map include forestland, and rare and endangered species habitats that have been documented by the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP). Forest locations were estimated by using the 1999 MacConnell land use data provided by MassGIS and mapping all areas with a land use code of 3 (Forest). According to the 1999 land use data, forests in Northfield comprise over 16,000 acres (16,060) in total, 71 percent of the Northfield's total land area.

The Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP) is administered by the State Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, under the Department of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement. The NHESP data layers on the Scenic Environment and Unique Resources Map include the Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife in wetland resource areas, Priority Habitats of Rare Species, and Core Habitats from the BioMap biodiversity mapping project. Each of these data layers was mapped at a 1:25,000 scale, using the USGS topographic maps as a base layer. The Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife data are designed to be used with the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act. Construction projects that are subject to the Wetlands Protection Act, and that fall within the Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife, require a filing of a notice of intent to be reviewed by NHESP.

The Priority Habitats of Rare Species have been identified by the NHESP as the estimated primary habitats for rare species in Massachusetts. The priority habitats include both wetland and upland habitats for rare plants and animals. Priority habitats are not protected under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act, but the Act does protect the rare species that use the priority habitats. Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife and Priority Habitats of Rare Species have been documented in Northfield along the Connecticut River and Millers Brook. The Core Habitat data layer depicts the most viable habitat for rare species and natural communities in Massachusetts. A number of core habitat areas have been identified for Northfield, including in Northfield State Forest.

Historic Resources

The Scenic Environment and Unique Resources Map shows Northfield properties that are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, including the Main Street National Historic District. The map also indicates the location of the Town's significant historic bridges and burial grounds. Most of the information on Northfield's historic resources comes from the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC), and its historic inventory files for Northfield. The MHC keeps records on many types of historic and archeological assets, including buildings, objects, parks, bridges, burial grounds, streetscapes, and landscapes. A local community, usually a local historical commission, submits an inventory form to the MHC for a locally documented historic resource, and the resource is then added to the MHC's Statewide Inventory listing. Northfield's historic resources were identified and mapped for the Community Development Plan by the Franklin Regional Council of Governments (FRCOG) Planning Department, with assistance from Community Development Committee members and other Northfield residents. The mapping process

also relied on information provided in the MHC Historic Inventory database, and in planning documents for Northfield and the Connecticut River Scenic Byway.

One of the Northfield's most well-known historic assets is the Main Street National Historic District, which is on the National Register of Historic Places. The National Historic District, which was officially designated in 1982, runs along Main Street from the Route 10/63 intersection near the Bennett Meadow Bridge north to Pauchaug Brook, and provides a strong, intact historic landscape. Although the district is approximately only two miles in length, it contains 148 documented historically significant properties and structures, including 134 buildings, 12 historic markers, one burial ground site and one bridge. *(The complete MHC inventory listing for the National Historic District is provided in the Appendix.)*

In addition to the Main Street Historic District, Northfield has three other properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places. They are the Simeon Alexander House on Millers Falls Road (labeled "A" on the map), King Philip's Hill on Old Route 10 (labeled "B") and the Northfield District Schoolhouse #2 on Pine Street (labeled "C").

Table 1-2 indicates the areas of town outside of the Main Street Historic District which also have properties listed on the MHC Historic Inventory. The primary location for historic structures outside of the Historic District is the Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) campus in Northfield. Although part of the campus and some NMH buildings fall within the National Historic District, there are also 27 historically significant structures on the NMH Northfield campus that are located outside the Historic District's boundaries.

Beyond the NMH Northfield campus, other areas with a significant number of historic buildings include Millers Falls Road and Warwick Road. These roads are each part of the list of proposed scenic roads presented later in this section. The historic buildings along these roads help maintain historic landscapes and contribute significantly to the roads' scenic appeal.

Table 1-2: Locations of Historic Buildings Outside of the Main Street National Historic District

Location	Number of Historic Buildings
Northfield Mount Hermon School - Northfield Campus	27*
Millers Falls Road (Route 63)	27
Warwick Road	20
Gulf Road	3
Upper Northfield Farms Road	3
Maple Street	2
Old Wendell Road	2
Pine Meadow Road	2
Alexander Hill Road	1
Caldwell Road	1
Lower Northfield Farms Road	1
Mount Hermon Station Road	1
Old Turnpike Road	1
Pine Street	1
South Mountain Road	1
St. Mary's Street	1
Total	94

*There are also nine historic buildings on the NMH Northfield campus that fall within the National Historic District.

Source: Massachusetts Historical Commission, *Historic Inventory Database*, 2002.

Table 1-3 lists Northfield's six historic burial grounds, half of which appear on the MHC listing. Burial grounds are important historic resources, and are often rich with genealogical data, town history, art, and monuments.

Table 1-3: Historic Burial Grounds in Northfield

MHC #	Name	Year	Location
800	Graves of Dwight L. Moody and Emma G.R. Moody	1899	Main Street
801	South Mountain Cemetery	1815	South Mountain Road
802	Center Cemetery (Moody Cemetery)	1726	Parker Avenue
None	Coller Cemetery	n.a.	Coller Cemetery Road
None	Northfield Farms Cemetery	n.a.	Lower Farms Road
None	St. Mary's Cemetery	n.a.	St. Mary's Street
None	Burial Place, Captain Beers	n.a.	Linden Hill School, front yard

n.a. = not available.

Sources: Massachusetts Historical Commission, *Historic Inventory Database*, 2002; *Town of Northfield, Pathway to Tomorrow: A Master Plan for Northfield*, 1977; Northfield Community Development Committee.

Table 1-4 summarizes the historic bridges in Northfield. The MHC inventory documents six bridges, including the Route 63 Bridge, which is at the south end of the Main Street National Historic District.

Table 1-4: Historic Bridges in Northfield

MHC #	Name	Year	Style	Location
924	Schell Memorial Bridge	1903	n.a.	East Northfield Road
925	East Northfield Road Railroad Bridge	1909	Warren through truss design	East Northfield Road crossing over the B&M Railroad
926	Central Vernon Railroad Bridge	1904	n.a.	Caldwell Road
927	Route 63 Bridge	1941	Concrete deck arch bridge in Art Deco style	Rt. 63 (Main Street) crossing over Mill Brook
928	Birnam Road Bridge	1937	Art Deco	Birnam Road spanning Mill Brook

n.a. = not available.

Sources: Massachusetts Historical Commission, *Historic Inventory Database, 2002*; Franklin Regional County of Governments and Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, *Connecticut River Scenic Farm Byway Corridor Management Plan, 1998*.

Historic Landscapes

Historically significant landscapes in Northfield were identified using a methodology developed by the National Park Service (NPS). The NPS distinguishes historic landscapes by considering a number of criteria, including area of significance, period of significance, and historical integrity. The NPS classifies landscapes into four different categories:

- landscapes that reflect major patterns of a region’s history (e.g. agricultural or industrial landscapes);
- landscapes that are associated with historically significant individuals (e.g. estate grounds and buildings);
- landscapes that are important due to their design or physical characteristics (e.g. an eighteenth century Colonial Period rural farm); and
- landscapes that yield or may potentially yield significant information on a region’s pre-history or history (e.g. a Native American encampment site).

The significance of an historic landscape is that aspect of its historical development which falls into one of the above categories, and which has most influenced the development or identity of a community or region. The period of significance for a landscape is the time span in which it attained its importance according to the NPS criteria. The historical integrity and soundness of a landscape help provide a sense of time and place and an understanding of the landscape’s historically significant use, association, design, and information characteristics.

The information presented here on historically significant landscapes in Northfield was drawn from a number of sources, especially the 1992 Franklin County Rural Historic Landscape Preservation Plan Report, prepared by the Franklin County Commission (now the FRCOG).

Table 1-5: Significant Historical Landscapes in Northfield

Location	Type of Landscape
Route 63: NH State line south to turnout before Rt. 10 sign	Agricultural
Route 63: Turnout before Rt. 10 sign south to House #263 on right	Forest
Route 63: House #263 on right south to Rt. 10 intersection	Village/ Community Development
Route 63: Rt. 10 intersection to Erving Town line	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Routes 63 and 10	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Route 142, West Northfield Area	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Caldwell Road	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along East Northfield Road	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Great Meadow Road	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Old Wendell Road near Erving line	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Pine Meadow Road	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along River Road	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Upper Northfield Farms Road	Agricultural
Multiple Properties along Connecticut River	Agricultural
Cow Plain, between Pine Meadow Road and Millers Falls Road	Agricultural
King Philip's Hill	Community Development
Pratt Hollow	Forest

Sources: Franklin Regional County of Governments and Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, Connecticut River Scenic Farm Byway Corridor Management Plan, 1998; Town of Northfield, Pathway to Tomorrow: A Master Plan for Northfield, 1977; Northfield Community Development Committee.

As Table 1-5 indicates, most of the historically significant landscapes in Northfield are agricultural and related to the history of farming in the area. There are also a few landscapes related to community development and a few forest-based landscapes. Route 63 (Main Street, Millers Falls Road, Hinsdale Road) has significant landscapes along its length through Northfield, though these landscapes' predominant features vary on different parts of Route 63. Traveling south to north along Route 63, the landscape shifts from agriculture to community development, then to forest, and finally back to farming again. Scenic Byway viewsheds and locally identified scenic views along the Byway are shown on the Scenic Resources and Unique Environments Map.

Scenic Roads and Scenic Vistas

In many parts of Northfield, historic landscapes blend with scenic viewsheds. Scenic roads, which overlap both, provide a way for residents and visitors to access these special places. Route 63 through Northfield has been officially designated as a Scenic Byway as part of the larger Connecticut River Scenic Farm Byway, which also runs along Route 47 and Route 10 in Sunderland, Montague, and Erving. The Town of Northfield may wish to consider officially designating local scenic roads as well. A roadway's designation as a local scenic road provides some protection to the historic and scenic resources along its route. Once a road has received local scenic road designation, the local Planning Board must give written approval before any repair, maintenance, or construction of the road is permitted, if that activity would involve the cutting or displacement of trees or the removal of stone walls within the public right-of-way. The current and proposed scenic roads are shown on the

Scenic Environments and Unique Resources Map and are listed in Table 1-6. Brief descriptions of each road are given below the table.

Table 1-6: Current and Proposed Scenic Roads in Northfield

Status	Name of Road	Portion of Road Considered as Scenic
State Scenic Byway	Route 63 (Main Street/ Millers Falls Road)	Entire Road in Northfield
Suggested local designation	Vernon Road	Entire Road
Suggested local designation	Warwick Road	Roadway along Mill Brook
Suggested local designation	Pine Meadow Road	Entire Road
Suggested local designation	Four Mile Brook Road	Entire Road
Suggested local designation	South Mountain Road	Near Linden Hill School
Suggested local designation	Old Wendell Road	Unimproved Section of Road
Suggested local designation	Gulf Road	Entire Road

Route 63. From the New Hampshire State line to the Erving Town line, Route 63 has been officially designated as a State Scenic Byway. The Byway offers views of agricultural lands, a wooded ravine, and Northfield town center, a traditional small New England-style village center. Scenic Byway viewsheds and locally identified scenic views along the Byway are shown on the Scenic Resources and Unique Environments Map.

Vernon Road. Vernon Road provides access to Northfield State Forest, Satan's Kingdom, and woody roads and wetlands near the Vermont State line.

Warwick Road. This road offers views of the tree-lined Mill Brook in addition to numerous locally historic properties.

Pine Meadow Road. Located on Pine Meadow Plain, this road offers views of the Connecticut River, the Connecticut River Valley, surrounding mountains, and several hundred acres of agricultural land. This road is part of the planned eleven-mile Northfield Connector segment of the Franklin County Bikeway. Pine Meadow Road also provides access to permanently protected open space in the southern end of Northfield as well as to Northeast Utilities Riverview Picnic Area.

Four Mile Brook Road. This road provides views of Four Mile Brook, woodlands, and agricultural land.

South Mountain Road. This road offers views of the Connecticut River Valley, mountains, farmland, and the Northfield Mount Hermon Campus in Gill. The Metacomet-Monadnock Trail can be accessed from South Mountain Road.

Old Wendell Road. Old Wendell Road offers views of the Connecticut River Valley, mountains and farmland.

Gulf Road. The heavily wooded section of Gulf Road along Millers Brook is in an area that has been designated as both an Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife and a Priority Habitat of Rare Species by the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program.

Table 1-7 lists a few other of Northfield’s scenic vistas and noteworthy sites. From Crag Mountain’s peak, one has 270 degree views of the region. The Ice House Cave, located on Brush Mountain, consists of a fissure eleven feet deep and four feet wide that extends deep into the mountain. This cave collects ice and snow in the winter which can often still be found in significant quantity in the cave as late as July.

Table 1-7: Scenic Vistas and Other Noteworthy Sites

Location	Type
Route 63 Scenic Byway	Scenic Vista
Pauchaug Brook and Wanamaker Lake	Scenic Vista
Crag Mountain	Scenic Vista
Hogback Mountain	Scenic Vista
Notch Mountain	Scenic Vista
King Philip’s Hill	Scenic Vista
St. Mary’s Road	Scenic Vista
East Road	Scenic Vista
Roaring Brook including Salmon Falls, Sheep Falls and other falls	Water
Mill Brook Swamp and Pond	Water
Sawyer Ponds	Water
Streeter Pond	Water
Ice House Cave	Geological
Rattlesnake Den	Geological
Garnet Rock	Geological

Sources: Northfield Community Development Committee; Town of Northfield, Pathway to Tomorrow: A Master Plan for Northfield, 1977; Town of Northfield Natural Resources Program and the Natural Resources Technical Team of Franklin County, in cooperation with the Franklin Conservation District, Phase I Study: Inventory of Sites with Natural Resource Potential, 1973.

Recreational Resources

Recreational areas and facilities help connect residents of a community with the nature and natural resources around them. Table 1-8 summarizes Northfield’s main recreational resources. The location of each resource is also given on the Scenic Environments and Unique Resources Map and is identified using the Map IDs.

Table 1-8: Recreational Resources in Northfield

Map ID	Name of Area or Facility	Main Recreational Value or Use	Owner of Land/ Manager	Size of Area	Extent of Resources
1	Northfield Mountain Recreation Area	Hiking cross-country skiing, mountain biking horseback riding; recreational and environmental programs.	Northeast Utilities	2,300 acres	26 miles of trails; main headquarters with lunch area, restrooms, ski rentals, and educational programs.
2	Riverview Picnic Area	Picnicking and access to the Connecticut River.	Northeast Utilities	3 acres	70 seat pavilion; interpretive riverboat cruises on the 60-seat Quinnetukut II.
3	Munn's Ferry Boat Camping Area	Camping area on the Connecticut River; area is accessible by boat only.	Northeast Utilities	1 acre	Four tent sites and shelter with picnic tables and grills.
4	Kidd's Island, Connecticut River	Camping and picnicking; accessible by boat only.	Northeast Utilities	16 acres	Leased by the Franklin County Boat Club for use by its members only.
5	Connecticut River	Boating and fishing.		n/a	Various trails and points of access along river.
6	Northfield State Forest	Hiking, fishing, seasonal hunting, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling.	DEM	1,696 acres	Trails for hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling. New seven-mile cross-country ski trail.
7	Bennett Meadow Wildlife Management Area	Wildlife viewing and seasonal hunting.	DFW	200 acres	Natural wildlife habitat.
8	Pauchaug Brook Wildlife Management Area	Wildlife viewing and seasonal hunting.	DFW	161 acres	Natural wildlife habitat.
9	Pauchaug Brook Public Access Boat Ramp	Access to Connecticut River.	DFW		Paved access and put-in. Parking for 30 cars.
10	Satan's Kingdom Wildlife Management Area	Hiking, wildlife viewing, and seasonal hunting.	DFW	1,709 acres	Natural wildlife habitat.
11	Northfield Elementary School Grounds	Playground, baseball, soccer, and basketball.	Town of Northfield		Baseball field, soccer field, basketball court and playground.
12	Kiwanis Park	Picnicking and hiking.	Kiwanis Club	6 acres	Shelter and barbecue area; hiking trails.
13	West Northfield Park	Playground, baseball, and picnicking.	Town of Northfield	5 acres	General playground, sports field, and picnic area.

Recreational Resources in Northfield (con't)

Map ID	Name of Area or Facility	Main Recreational Value or Use	Owner of Land/ Manager	Size of Area	Extent of Resources
14	Northfield Golf Course	Golf; cross-country skiing.	Northfield Mt. Hermon School		9-hole golf course open for semi-public operation.
15	Camp Northfield	Church-sponsored religious camps, activities year-round.	New Boston Baptist Church	55 acres	Camping facilities, field sports, hiking and nature observation.
16	Northfield Connector of Franklin County Bikeway	Bicycling.	State, Town	11 miles	Planned bikeway consisting of shared roadway will provide a non-motorized link to Northfield Mountain Recreation Center, downtown Northfield and Northfield Mt. Hermon School
17	Metacomet & Monadnock Hiking Trail	Hiking, scenic views, and nature study.	Appalachian Mountain Club	n/a	Marked hiking trails. Interstate trail linking Connecticut and New Hampshire.
18	Crag Mountain Trail	Hiking and scenic views.	DEM	n/a	Crag Mountain is the highest peak in Northfield. The peak is accessible via the Metacomet-Monadnock Trail.
19	Stowbridge Hill Area	Hiking, cross-country skiing, and snowmobiling.	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	n/a	Multiple use trails. One trail leads to Garnet Rock and an historic cellar hole.
20	Minot Brook Trail	Hiking and nature study.	DEM	n/a	Trail along Minot Brook.
21	Schell Nature Trail	Hiking and nature study.	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	n/a	Trail for Schell Pond.

Sources: Community Development Committee; Franklin Regional County of Governments and Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, Connecticut River Scenic Farm Byway Corridor Management Plan, 1998; Town of Northfield, Pathway to Tomorrow: A Master Plan for Northfield, 1977; Town of Northfield Natural Resources Program and the Natural Resources Technical Team of Franklin County, in cooperation with the Franklin Conservation District, Phase I Study: Inventory of Sites with Natural Resource Potential, 1973.

Identifying Potentially Suitable Land for Future Development

This section of the Community Development Plan builds on the results from the mapping and inventory of Northfield's natural, open space, scenic, and recreational resources. The section discusses a methodology for determining which parts of Northfield are potentially developable, and which may potentially be suitable for future development. The methodology focuses first on identifying which parts of Northfield may be unsuitable for any future development due to environmental and open space constraints. It first removes those areas from consideration, and then works with the remaining areas to identify the potentially suitable sites for new development. This methodology is similar to that which was used for the recent buildout analyses that were sponsored by the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) and conducted for communities statewide, though the absolute and potential constraints considered here are slightly more extensive than those used for the buildout analyses.

The results of the analysis to determine which areas of Northfield may be constrained from future development, and which may be suitable for new development, are shown on the Developed Land Uses and Absolute Constraints Map, the Developed Land Uses and Potential Constraints Map, and the Land Use Suitable Map. The basic analysis for identifying potential locations for new development discussed here will be expanded for specific developed land uses as part of the Housing and Economic Development chapters of the Community Development Plan. The Economic Development chapter identifies potentially suitable locations for new commercial and light industrial development, and the Housing chapter identifies potentially most suitable areas for new residential development.

Figure 1-1 lays out the general methodology for identifying land in the Town of Northfield that is potentially suitable for development. The narrative which follows the figure provides the details of each step of this analysis.

Figure 1-1: Methodology for Identifying Potentially Suitable Land for Development

Step 1 – Identify land areas with environmental or open space constraints that make the areas unsuitable for future development. These lands include wetlands, water bodies, Zone I recharge areas for public drinking water supplies, important habitat areas, and steep slopes, and parcels that have been permanently protected as open space, to create an Absolutely Constrained Land coverage. Remove these areas from further consideration for development.



Step 2 – Identify which land areas are outside of the Absolutely Constrained Land coverage, but which may still be undesirable or unsuitable for development because of certain additional environmental, historic, or scenic characteristics. Combine these areas into a Potentially Constrained Land coverage.



Step 3 – Identify land areas that have developed land uses to create a Developed Land coverage.



Step 4a – Identify which land areas are in neither the Developed Land coverage nor the Absolutely Constrained Land coverage. Combine these areas into a Potentially Developable Land coverage.



Step 4b – Add to the Potentially Developable Land coverage developed land parcels that have been identified as being vacant or underutilized, and therefore are potentially suitable for redevelopment.



Step 5 – From the Potentially Developable Land coverage, evaluate which land may potentially be the most suitable for new residential, commercial, or light industrial development. Review the federal floodplain maps for the identified potential development sites, and gather other relevant information. Adjust and refine the potentially suitable development areas, as project budget allows.

Step 1: Identify Areas with Absolute Environmental or Open Space Constraints

This step identifies land with environmental or open space constraints that make it unsuitable for new development. The areas with these constraints are shown on the natural resource maps discussed earlier and on the Developed Land Uses and Absolute Constraints Map.

The following areas should be included in the Absolutely Constrained Land coverage:

- National Wetlands Inventory wetlands. The location of these wetlands has been documented by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Wetlands Inventory project. Wetlands in Massachusetts are protected from development under the Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act (Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40).
- 100 foot buffer area of wetlands. The State Wetlands Protection Act regulates and restricts development within 100 feet of wetlands.
- Rivers, ponds, and other water bodies. The locations of these water resources have been identified by MassGIS, using National Wetland Inventory data on pond and lake locations and MacConnell land use data on other water bodies (land use code = 20 (Water)).
- 200 foot buffer areas of rivers. The Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act regulates and restricts development within 200 feet of riverbanks. Riverfront areas were added to the Wetlands Protection Act after the passage of the Rivers Protection Act in 1996.
- Public water supplies and Zone I recharge areas. The locations of these resources have been documented by the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The land uses in Zone I areas (the 400 foot radius area around public water supplies) can have an immediate effect on well water quality.
- Estimated Habitats of Rare Wildlife in wetland resource areas, Priority Habitats of Rare Species, and Core Habitats for Rare Species and Natural Communities. The locations of these resources have been identified by the Massachusetts Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program (NHESP), as the primary and most-important habitat areas for the State's rare and endangered species. Development in the Estimated Habitats of Rare wetlands Wildlife is regulated under the State Wetland Protection Act. Other rare and endangered species documented by the NHESP are protected under the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act.

- Areas with a slope of over 25 percent. The information on slopes has been derived from contour line data produced by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). It is generally considered unfeasible to build on slopes of 25 percent or greater, due to the high costs of construction, the likelihood of erosion, and the difficulty of traversing such steep terrain, particularly during the winter.
- Permanently protected open space areas. These areas have been located using parcel maps and information from the Town of Northfield Assessors, the parcel coverage provided to the Town by Cartographic Associates, Inc., and the open space data layer produced by MassGIS, using information provided by the Department of Environmental Protection. The permanently protected open space areas include both publicly and privately owned properties. The publicly owned properties include land areas, such as Northfield State Forest, that are owned by a State conservation agency, as well as parcels that owned by the Town and under the jurisdiction of the Northfield Conservation Commission. Privately owned properties that are permanently protected as open space are owned by conservation groups or have deed restrictions that prevent future development. A list of all the parcels in Northfield that are permanently protected from development appears in the Open Space and Resource Protection Appendix.

Step 2: Identify Areas with Potential Environmental Constraints

This step identifies land that is not absolutely constrained from development, but which may still be undesirable or unsuitable for new development, because of other potential environmental constraints. The areas with these potential constraints are shown on the natural resource maps presented earlier, and on the Developed Land Uses and Potential Constraints map.

The areas that are potentially constrained from development include:

- Areas with a slope of 15 to 25 percent. The information on slopes has been derived from contour line data produced by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). Building on slopes of 15 to 25 percent can result in adverse environmental impacts, including erosion. In addition, slopes of 15 to 25 percent can pose limits on industrial and commercial development. Large industrial and commercial facilities typically require relatively flat slopes, and it can be prohibitively expensive to regrade a site to that extent.
- Aquifers. The locations of these underground resources have been identified by MassGIS and the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The potential yield of the aquifers was determined using surficial geological data provided by MassGIS and maps produced by the USGS. Aquifers provide the source for drinking water supplies such as community wells. Underground aquifer levels are maintained by groundwater flow from aquifer recharge areas. Protecting groundwater and aquifer recharge areas from degradation is important to maintaining the quality of drinking water supplies.

- Interim Wellhead Protection Areas and Zone II Areas. Data on the Interim Wellhead Protection Areas and Zone II Areas come from the DEP. These areas surround the Northfield's public water supplies. A wellhead protection area includes the sections of an aquifer from which a well would be expected to draw during an extended dry period (up to 6 months) without precipitation. As a result, land uses within wellhead protection areas can have an impact on drinking water quality. The location and extent of Zone II Wellhead Protection Areas have been verified through DEP hydro-geologic modeling and officially approved. In the absence of hydro-geologic modeling studies, an Interim Wellhead Protection Area may be established by the DEP. The radius of an Interim Wellhead Protection Area will vary from 400 feet to half a mile, depending on a well's known pumping rate or DEP default values if the pumping rate is unknown. Only one of the public water supplies in Northfield, the Strowbridge Well, currently has a delineated Zone II Wellhead Protection Area.
- Areas with Prime Farmland Soils. The areas with prime farmland soils have been identified using the 1979 U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service map, "Important Farmlands in Franklin County." Prime farmland soils have the best combination of physical and chemical characteristics for crop production, and protecting areas with prime farmland soils for agricultural purposes can help farming activities remain viable within the community.

Step 3: Identify Areas that Contain Developed Land Uses

This step identifies land that is currently developed. This identification relies on the 1999 MacConnell land use data provided by MassGIS. The MassGIS land use data layer has 21 land use classifications interpreted from 1:25,000 scale aerial photography. Table 1-9 lists the land uses which are in the Developed Land coverage. The areas with developed land uses are shown on the Land Use Suitability Map, the Developed Land Uses and Absolute Constraints Map, and the Developed Land Uses and Potential Constraints Map. Mining is shown on the latter two of these maps as well, even though it is not considered a developed land use for the purpose of this analysis.

Table 1-9: Land Uses which are Included in the Developed Land coverage

Land Use Code	Land Use	Land Use Description
8	Spectator Recreation	Stadiums, racetracks, fairgrounds, drive-in theatres
9	Water-Based Recreation	Beaches, marinas, swimming pools
10	Residential	Multi-family
11	Residential	Homes on lots less than a quarter-acre
12	Residential	Homes on lots a quarter-acre to a half-acre
13	Residential	Homes on lots larger than a half-acre
15	Commercial	General urban; shopping centers
16	Industrial	Light and heavy industry
17	Urban Open	Parks, cemeteries, public and institutional buildings and greenspaces
18	Transportation	Airports, docks, divided highway, freight storage, railroads
19	Waste Disposal	Landfills, sewage lagoons

Step 4: Identify Areas that are Potentially Developable

This step identifies land that is potentially developable. In Step 4a, a Potentially Developable Land Coverage is created from any areas that are not constrained by the environmental and open space characteristics listed in Step 1, and that are also currently undeveloped. Developed land areas were identified in step 3 and combined into the Developed Land coverage.

In Step 4b, the Potential Developable Land Coverage may be expanded to include parcels of land which are currently developed, but which have been identified by Northfield as being vacant or underutilized and therefore potentially suitable for redevelopment. Consideration should be given to adding to the Potentially Developable Land Coverage parcels that are publicly-owned, or that are privately-owned but whose owners would support the redevelopment of their properties.

Step 5: Identify the Potentially Most Suitable Areas for Residential, Commercial, or Light Industrial Development

This step develops specific criteria for identifying the potentially most suitable locations for different types of development, including residential, commercial and industrial, from the Potentially Development Land coverage. This step is fully documented for residential development in the Housing chapter, and for commercial and light industrial development in the Economic Development chapter. Please see these chapters for discussions of the criteria used to select the potentially suitable locations for these types of development and for the maps indicating the locations of the potentially most suitable development sites. The step including reviewing federal floodplain data and information on infrastructure for potential development, including sewer and water service.

Open Space and Resource Protection Recommendations

These recommendations are based on the Open Space and Resource Protection chapter's review of the Northfield's important natural, open space, historic, scenic, and recreational resources, and the Community Development Committee's support for having the Town do more to preserve and protect these community assets.

- Develop an Open Space and Recreation Plan to prioritize additional open space, farmland and forestland parcels for preservation and protection from development.
- Review the Town's Water Supply Protection Overlay District boundaries and regulations, and consider strengthening them to better protect Northfield's water supplies.
- Consider establishing new overlay zoning districts to help protect important natural, scenic, historic, and open space resources.

Open Space and Resource Protection Appendix

Open Space Parcels with Permanent Protection from Development

Open Space Parcels with Limited Protection from Development

Open Space Parcels with Temporary Protection from Development

Significant Historical Properties in the Main Street National Historic District

Other Significant Historical Properties in Northfield

Open Space Parcels with Permanent Protection from Development, Publicly Owned

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS				
MA Department of Fisheries, Wildlife, and Environmental Law Enforcement, Division of Fisheries and Wildlife (DFW)	Bernardston Town Line	1	A2	16.0
	Bernardston Town Line	1	A4	124.0
	Saunders Mtn.	1	A6	11.5
	Saunders Mtn.	1	A7	83.0
	Saunders Mtn.	1	A8	13.0
	Saunders Mtn.	1	A9	10.0
	Bernardston Town Line	1	A10	93.0
	West Rd.	2	A2	52.5
	West Rd.	2	B1	35.6
	West Rd.	2	C2	30.0
	Rear West Rd.	2	B7	11.3
	Old Vernon Rd.	2	C1	34.0
	Rear Hinsdale Rd.	5	A1	8.8
	Rear Hinsdale Rd.	5	A15	5.6
	Hinsdale Rd.	5	A14	2.8
	Rear Old Vernon Rd.	13	A13	13.0
	Old Vernon Rd.	13	A14	10.5
	Old Vernon Rd.	13	A2	37.8
	Old Vernon Rd.	13	A3	41.0
	Old Vernon Rd.	13	B1	32.0
	Old Vernon Rd.	14	A5	45.6
	Old Vernon Rd.	15	A10	35.0
	Old Vernon Rd.	15	A11	12.0
	Old Vernon Rd.	25	A4	23.3
	Bernardston Town Line	26	A12	<u>12.0</u>
DFW Land	TOTAL			793.2
MA Department of Environmental Management (DEM)				
	Northfield State Forest	20	A2	2.7
	Northfield State Forest	34	A5	162.0
	Northfield State Forest	34	A6	56.0
	Northfield State Forest	35	A6	16.0
	Northfield State Forest	47	A1	175.0
	Northfield State Forest	47	A2	200.0
	Northfield State Forest	48	A1	50.0
	Northfield State Forest	48	A2	32.0
	Northfield State Forest	48	A3	55.0
	Northfield State Forest	48	A6	75.0
	Northfield State Forest	48	A9	15.6
	Northfield State Forest	48	A10	108.6
	Northfield State Forest	62	A1	50.0
	Northfield State Forest	62	A3	10.0
	Northfield State Forest	62	B1	86.0
	Northfield State Forest	62	B2	30.0
	Northfield State Forest	62	C1	21.0
	Northfield State Forest	63	B1	110.0
	Northfield State Forest	63	C1	79.2

Open Space Parcels with Permanent Protection from Development, Publicly Owned (con't)

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS (con't)				
DEM (con't)	Northfield State Forest	64	B4	<u>362.0</u>
Northfield State Forest	Total			1696.0
	Warwick State Forest	35	A12	1.5
	APR/Split River Farm	73	B6	29.5
DEM Land	TOTAL			1,727.0
Other Commonwealth-Owned Properties	Hinsdale Rd.	5	A2	140.0
	Rear Main St.	10	A5	4.7
	Old Vernon Rd.	13	A4	105.3
	Old Vernon Rd.	14	A2	127.0
	Warwick Town Line	35	A5	25.0
	Stratton Mtn.	35	A10	100.0
	Orange Rd.	64	B3	11.0
	Orange Rd.	64	C2	0.7
	Pine Meadow Rd.	73	A3	<u>2.5</u>
Other Commonwealth Properties	Total			516.2
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS	TOTAL			3,036.4
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD	Bernardston/Vermont Line	1	A1	10.8
	Vt. State Line	1	A3	3.8
	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	4	C6	4.8
	River Rd.	16	A2	1.7
	Great Meadow Rd.	16	D3	9.0
	Dickinson St.	17	D3.1	0.4
	King Phillips Hill	29	E4	<u>10.5</u>
	TOTAL			40.9
PUBLICLY OWNED PERMANENTLY PROTECTED LAND	TOTAL			3,077.3

Acreage used is the calculated acreage or surveyed acreage on the Town of Northfield Assessors Maps (which may vary slightly from the acreage recorded on property deeds).

Source: Town of Northfield Assessors Maps and Records, March 2002.

Open Space Parcels with Permanent Protection from Development, Privately Owned

AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION RESTRICTION (APR) LAND				
Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
Roberts, William & Joyce	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	11	A7	14.6
	Rear Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	11	B1.1	53.2
	River Rd.	11	B3	28.0
	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	12	A8	16.4
	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	16	A8	5.9
	River Rd.	16	B1	29.0
	River Rd.	16	B2	<u>12.0</u>
	Total			159.1
Split River Farm	Pine Meadow Rd.	73	A2.1	0.1
	Pine Meadow Rd.	73	B2	56.4
	Millers Falls Rd.	73	C2	4.1
	Millers Falls Rd.	73	C5	<u>0.3</u>
	Total			60.9
Smiarowski Farm, Teddy	Millers Falls Rd.	73	C3	8.0
APR Land	TOTAL			228.0
CONSERVATION RESTRICTION (CR) LAND				
Hatton, Abbie, Robert Jr. & David	Rear Old Vernon Rd.	13	A6	9.0
	Rear Old Vernon Rd.	13	A8	24.2
	Rear Old Vernon Rd.	13	A9	33.0
	Rear Old Vernon Rd.	13	A9.1	7.0
	Rear Old Vernon Rd.	13	A12	<u>50.0</u>
	Total			123.2
LAND TRUST LAND				
Mount Grace Land Trust	Warwick Rd.	19	A5	0.9
	Warwick Rd.	19	B7	<u>13.0</u>
	Total			13.9
PRIVATELY OWNED PERMANENTLY PROTECTED LAND	TOTAL			365.1

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Source: Town of Northfield Assessors Maps and Records, March 2002.

Open Space Parcels with Limited Protection from Development

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
TOWN OF NORTHFIELD	Pentacost Rd.	17	B6.1	4.7
	Birnam Rd.	22	B5	0.1
	Main St.	23	A3	12.7
	Great Meadow Rd.	24	C1	13.0
	Great Meadow Rd.	24	C3	10.4
	Great Meadow Rd.	24	D5	0.5
	Parker Ave.	24	C2	6.8
	Parker Ave.	24	C4	0.8
	Parker Ave.	24	D1	0.1
	Parker Ave.	24	D2	1.0
	Parker Ave.	24	D3	6.5
	Parker Ave.	24	D4	6.0
	Rear Parker Ave.	24	D9	0.4
	Caldwell Rd.	25	C1	7.3
	Old Bernardston Rd.	29	B7	1.7
	Gill Center Rd.	40	B1	0.6
	Gill Center Rd.	40	B24	0.3
	Gill Center Rd.	40	B25	0.4
	Millers Falls Rd.	43	A5	0.7
	Coller Cemetery Rd.	48	A7	0.3
	Cross Rd.	55	D9	0.4
	S. Mountain Rd.	65	D1	0.3
	Millers Falls Rd.	74	A3	<u>4.0</u>
	Total			78.9
NORTHFIELD WATER CO. DISTRICT	Old Turnpike Rd.	21	A5	153.0
	Strowbridge Rd.	22	B9	2.1
	Strowbridge Rd.	22	B10	1.3
	Old Turnpike Rd.	22	C20	<u>17.3</u>
	Total			173.6
LAND WITH LIMITED PROTECTION	TOTAL			252.5

Acreage used is the calculated acreage or surveyed acreage on the Town of Northfield Assessors Maps (which may vary slightly from the acreage recorded on property deeds).

Source: Town of Northfield Assessors Maps and Records, March 2002.

Open Space Parcels with Temporary Protection from Development, Chapter 61, Forestry

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
Ames, William S.	50 S. Mountain Rd.	51	A8	135.0
Bassett, Richard H.	Old Vernon Rd.	26	A4	28.0
	Old Vernon Rd.	26	A5	14.5
	Old Vernon Rd.	26	A6	<u>18.0</u>
	Total			60.5
Bassett, Roger	130 Old Vernon Rd.	26	A7	17.9
Black, William	52 Murdock Hill	65	B8	19.0
Browning, Homer	S. Mountain Rd.	51	A5	22.0
Duby, Robert T.	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	A3	18.0
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	B3	24.9
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	B4	24.4
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	B5	6.8
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	B6	<u>19.2</u>
	Total			93.3
English, Robert	367 Four Mile Brook Rd.	68	A9	17.5
Fowler, Ethel D. & Norman F.	Four Mile Brook Rd.	71	B2	17.3
	Millers Falls Rd.	72	C7	<u>14.8</u>
	Total			32.1
Gorzocoski, Paul T. & Stephen J.	Pratt Hollow Rd.	33	A8	17.0
Hayes, Pearl W. & George W.	Lyman Hill Rd.	56	B5	14.0
	Lyman Hill Rd.	56	B6	4.0
	Lyman Hill Rd.	56	B7	<u>7.0</u>
	Total			25.0
Hussey, Stephen F. & Taricano, Deborah J.	Old Wendell Rd.	60	A3	23.7
Jamrog, Stanley & Theresa	Old Wendell Rd.	45	A8	27.7
Jaworski, Walter C. et al.	S. Mountain Rd.	59	B4	0.3
	Old Wendell Rd.	66	A6	5.0
	S. Mountain Rd.	66	A7	30.0
	Old Wendell Rd.	66	B2	13.0
	Old Wendell Rd.	66	B3	<u>50.0</u>
	Total			98.3
Jaworski, Walter J.	Old Wendell Rd.	66	B1	10.3
	Old Wendell Rd.	66	B3.1	<u>10.0</u>
	Total			20.3

Open Space Parcels with Temporary Protection from Development, Chapter 61 (con't)

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
Kennerson, L.	Pratt Hollow Rd.	33	A7	8.0
	Pratt Hollow Rd.	33	A7.1	8.0
	Gulf Rd.	36	A2	<u>163.0</u>
	Total			179.0
Kiablick, Alice B.	Millers Falls Rd.	56	B8.1	31.6
Lacy, Sandra M.	Gulf Rd.	65	B1	13.1
	Gulf Rd.	65	B1.2	6.5
	Gulf Rd.	65	B2	<u>7.6</u>
	Total			27.2
Lyman, Keith G. & Luanne P.	Warwick Rd.	18	D2	29.0
	Old Turnpike Rd.	21	A4	<u>98.0</u>
	Total			127.0
McGowan, Jon G.	Brush Mtn.	44	A6	84.0
Mitchum, Christopher	Gulf Rd.	37	A4	24.0
	Gulf Rd.	37	A6	<u>19.6</u>
	Total			43.6
Norwood, Cory D. & Kristen K.	675 Gulf Rd.	61	A4	33.8
	Gulf Rd.	61	B2	<u>67.2</u>
	Total			101.0
Roberto, Stephen & Deskavich, D.	177 Gulf Rd.	37	A8	46.8
Rogers, Allan W. & Valerie G.	458 Millers Falls Rd.	56	A3	15.4
	491 Millers Falls Rd.	56	B8	22.0
	Millers Falls Rd.	56	B9	<u>24.0</u>
	Total			61.4
Shearer, Thomas et al.	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	A1	17.8
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	A5	60.0
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	69	A6	4.4
	Four Mile Brook Rd.	71	B1	<u>1.0</u>
	Total			83.2
Spaulding, Paul & Cynthia V.	Winchester Rd.	6	A28	19.0
	(Spaulding Trust)	6	C1	7.1
	(Spaulding Trust)	6	C2	4.5
	(Spaulding Trust)	6	C3	6.8
	(Spaulding Trust)	6	C5	5.5
	(Spaulding Trust)	6	C6	<u>10.0</u>
	Total			52.8
W.D. Cows, Inc.	Warwick Rd.	35	A11	80.0
CHAPTER 61 (Forestry)	TOTAL			1,526.7

**One section of parcel 61-B2 is under Chapter 61A and the remainder is under Chapter 61.*

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Open Space Parcels with Temporary Protection from Development, Chapter 61A (Farming)

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
Balk, Frederick and Doris S.	Main St.	38	A40	8.1
Chapman, Roger and Lea	W. Northfield Rd.	11	D2	13.0
Dresser, James E.	S. Mountain Rd.	57	B6	12.5
	S. Mountain Rd.	58	A5	41.3
	S. Mountain Rd.	60	A1	83.0
	S. Mountain Rd.	60	A2	<u>...36.0</u>
				172.8
Gorzcoski, Paul T. et al.	Meadow St.	24	B5	7.0
	Main St.	24A	A13	4.0
	Main St.	24A	A16	4.5
	Main St.	24A	A19	2.0
	Rear Route 10	30	B1	5.0
	Great Meadow Rd.	30	C5	7.0
	Great Meadow Rd.	30	D1	1.5
	Maple St.	31	A15	4.0
	East St.	31	A17	19.0
	Pratt Hollow Rd.	33	A2	20.0
	Stratton Mountain	33	A5	79.0
	Pratt Hollow Rd.	33	A9	12.0
	Rear Pratt Hollow Rd.	33	A10	7.0
	Lyman Rd.	42	A16	8.5
	Slate Rd.	42	A17	25.0
	Rear Lyman Rd.	42	A18	11.0
	Lyman Rd.	42	A19	11.0
	Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	42	A25	12.0
	Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	38	B22	25.0
	Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	38	B22.1	5.0
	Rear Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	42	A20	13.6
	Rear Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	42	A27	11.0
	Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	42	A30.1	<u>2.5</u>
	Total			296.6
Llewelyn, William C. & al.	Rear Millers Falls Rd.	39	B7	11.0
	Upper Farms Rd.	39	B10	50.0
	Rear Upper Farms Rd.	39	B11	27.0
	Upper Farms Rd.	41	A1	42.0
	Upper Farms Rd.	41	A3	30.0
	Rear Upper Farms Rd.	41	A5	11.5
	Rear Upper Farms Rd.	41	A6	15.0
	Upper Farms Rd.	41	A7	30.0
	Millers Falls Rd.	41	D1	6.0
	Capt. Beers Plain Rd.	42	A21	5.8
	Millers Falls Rd.	43	A7.1	182.5
	Old Wendell Rd.	43	A11	72.5
	Old Wendell Rd.	51	A1	<u>34.0</u>
	Total			517.3
Norwood, Cory D. & Kristen K.	Gulf Rd.	61*	B2*	13.2

*One section of parcel 61-B2 is under Chapter 61A and the remainder is under Chapter 61.

Open Space Parcels with Temporary Protection from Development, Chapter 61A (con't)

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
Podlenski, Frank B. & Mary E.	Route 10	30	B6	0.2
Podlenski, Helen	Pine Meadow Rd.	54	B3	17.0
Roberts, William & Joyce	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	15	A1	8.0
	Rear West Rd.	15	A1.1	65.3
	Rear West Rd.	15	A1.2	35.4
	Mt. Hermon Station Rd.	16	A3	7.0
	Total			115.7
Shearer, Edward D.	Millers Falls Rd.	72	C5	19.0
Shearer, Robert B. & Margaret A.	Millers Falls Rd.	70	A4	4.5
	Millers Falls Rd.	70	A7	10.0
	Millers Falls Rd.	71	A1	84.5
	Pine Meadow Rd.	53	D1	19.0
	Millers Falls Rd.	53	D10	10.0
	Total			128.0
Shearer, Thomas R. & al.	Pine Meadow Rd.	55	A4	8.5
	Pine Meadow Rd.	55	A5	9.0
	Pine Meadow Rd.	55	A7	5.0
	Pine Meadow Rd.	55	B2.1	5.3
	Pine Meadow Rd.	55	C1	11.0
	Pine Meadow Rd.	55	C2	2.0
	Pine Meadow Rd.	72	A1	22.0
	Pine Meadow Rd.	72	B1	2.0
	Total			64.7
Szestowicki, Frank & Wickey, Stanley	Caldwell Rd.	24	A1	11.0
	Caldwell Rd.	24	A2	15.0
	Rear Caldwell Rd.	24	A4	12.0
	Total			38.0
Wahlstrom, William S. & Alison D.	Cross St.	55	D13	8.8
Wickey, Stanley	Caldwell Rd.	11	C4	17.1
	Caldwell Rd.	11	C5	5.8
	Caldwell Rd.	11	E4	3.0
	Caldwell Rd.	11	E5	5.5
	Caldwell Rd.	16	B3	1.0
	Caldwell Rd.	16	B4	12.0
	Caldwell Rd.	16	B5	38.0
	Caldwell Rd.	16	C2	23.0
	Total			105.4
Zilinski, John M.	Lyman Hill Rd.	58	A1	29.0
CHAPTER 61A (Agriculture)	TOTAL			1546.8

Acreage used is the calculated acreage or surveyed acreage on the Town of Northfield Assessors Maps (which may vary slightly from the acreage recorded on property deeds).

Source: Town of Northfield Assessors Maps and Records, March 2002.

Open Space Parcels with Temporary Protection from Development, Chapter 61B (Recreation)

Ownership	Location	Map	Block/Lot	Acreage
Dubey, Paul R.	Gulf Rd.	50	A2	45.0
CHAPTER 61B (Recreation)	TOTAL			45.0

Source: Town of Northfield Assessors Maps and Records, March 2002.

Significant Historical Properties in the Main Street National Historic District

(Sorted by Massachusetts Historical Commission Inventory number)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
4	4	Main St.	Callender, Daniel L. House		1846
5	8	Main St.	Stratton, Wright House	Fairview Gardens	1858
6	2	Main St.	Vielmetti House	The Logs Restaurant	1930
7	12	Main St.	Slate, Charles House		1927
8	16	Main St.	Hogan, John House		1970
9	20	Main St.	Powers, Stanley House		1927
10		Main St.	Powers Barn		1920
11	26	Main St.	Mattoon, Isaac House		1801
12		Main St.	Morgan Garage		1921
13	34	Main St.	Stearns, George House		1843
14	30	Main St.	Stratton, Dr. Elijah House		1844
15	36	Main St.	Coe, Rev. W. W. House		1928
16	38	Main St.	Shepard, Dunham House		1966
17	40	Main St.	Mattoon, Elijah House		1820
18	42	Main St.	Stearns, A. D. House		1852
19	46	Main St.	Mattoon, James - Green, C. H. House	Uncle Jim's and Aunt Jim's House	1868
20	48	Main St.	Holton, Joe House		1945
21	50	Main St.	Pomeroy, William House		1783
22	56	Main St.	Montague, Frank House		1927
23	60	Main St.	Pomeroy, William Store	Northfield Pharmacy, Inc.	1839
24	66	Main St.	Stearns, Samuel S. House		1828
25	68	Main St.	Everett - Cook House		1837
26		Main St.	First Parish Church of Northfield, Unitarian	Main St and Parker Ave	1870
27	70	Main St.	Keet, Newton W. Motorcycle Repair Shop		1901
28		Main St.	Hastings, C. Block	Webster Block	1848
29	76	Main St.	Lyman, Caleb House		1801
30		Main St.	Dunnell House		1970
31	88	Main St.	Swan, Mary House		1807
32	82	Main St.	Saint Patrick's Church		1886
33	84	Main St.	Murdock, B. B. House		1840

Significant Historical Properties in the Main Street National Historic District (con't)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
34	78	Main St.	Walker House	Saint Patrick's Parsonage	1900
35	90	Main St.	First Parish Unitarian Parsonage		1858
36	92	Main St.	Pomeroy, Charles House		1879
37	94	Main St.	Nevers, Capt. John House	Pomeroy Mansion Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1811
38	96	Main St.	Quinland House		1919
39	98	Main St.	Elementary School Complex		1941
40	120	Main St.	Evans, Peter House		1716
41	116	Main St.	Dickinson, Obadiah House		1785
42	118	Main St.	Barber, Luman House		1945
43	112	Main St.			1900
44	124	Main St.	Tyler Cottage - Missionary House	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1928
45		Main St.	Girl Scouts Little House		1951
46	126	Main St.	Schell Cottage - Missionary House	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1928
47	130	Main St.	Fairbank House	Fairbank - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1943
48	134	Main St.	Callendar, Daniel House		1793
49		Main St.	U. S. Post Office - Northfield Main Branch		1970
50	138	Main St.	Billings House		1820
51	144	Main St.	Greenfield Cooperative Bank		1974
52	146	Main St.	Brigham, Albert S. House		1899
53	148	Main St.	Sanborn, Clifford Furniture Store		1915
54	154	Main St.			1875
55	158	Main St.	Field, Clifford House		1935
56	160	Main St.	Jacobus - Philbrick House		1914
57	8	Chula Vista Ln.	Spencer, Rodman House		1965
58	166	Main St.	Williams, Samuel B. House		1853
59	168	Main St.	Robbins, Charles C. Store		1910
60	174	Main St.	Fisher, Francis House		1855
61	176	Main St.	Comins, John S. House and Bakery		1870
62	178	Main St.	Stratton, Wright House		1841
63	180	Main St.	Kelavista Inn	Valley Vista Hotel	1923

Significant Historical Properties in the Main Street National Historic District (con't)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
64	186	Main St.	Rice, Elizabeth and Mary House		1900
65	188	Main St.	Alexander, Simeon House		1776
66	190	Main St.	Jordon, Paul Gas Station and Garage	Druke Gas Station	1947
67	194	Main St.	Buffmun General Store		1910
68	198	Main St.	Webster Drugstore		1903
69	204	Main St.	Alexander, Charles House	Greengate Tea Room and Gift Shop	1890
71		Main St.	Revell Hall - Northfield Seminary	Administrative Center - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1879
72		Main St.	Holton Hall - Northfield Seminary	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1885
73	212	Main St.	Duley House - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1900
74	258	Main St.	Bonnar Hall - Northfield Seminary	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1885
75	262	Main St.			1855
76	251	Main St.	Lyman, Elisha House	Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1800
77	201	Main St.	Towner, Prof. D. B. House		1871
78	197	Main St.	Moody, Medad A. House		1863
79	187	Main St.	Colton, E. Wells House		1890
80	185	Main St.	Buffum, Edward House		1919
81	181	Main St.	Colton, Capt. Richard House		1828
82	179	Main St.	Fisher House		1890
83	179R	Main St.	Rockwood House		1971
84	179 1/2	Main St.	Wayside Inn Barn		1890
85	177	Main St.	Billiel House		1970
86	175	Main St.	Alexander, Thomas House		1848
87	173	Main St.	Alexander, Henry House	Smith, L. R. House	1836
88		Main St.	Trinitarian Congregational Church		1889
89	169	Main St.	Phillips, Mary House		1895
90	167	Main St.	Long, John House		1830
91	163	Main St.	Long, Alvin A. House		1850
92	159	Main St.	Holton House		1882

Significant Historical Properties in the Main Street National Historic District (con't)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
93		Main St.	Prentice, Dr. House		1850
94	153	Main St.	Belcher, William House		1788
95		Main St.	Trinitarian Congregational Church		1979
96	117	Main St.			1869
97		Main St.	Dickinson Memorial Library		1897
98	111	Main St.	Wright, Dr. House		1936
99	91	Main St.	Hunt, Capt. Samuel Tavern	Beehive	1775
100	89	Main St.	Hall, Dr. P. House		1846
101	107	Main St.	Dutton, Samuel W. House		1835
102	103	Main St.	Belding, Jonathan House		1750
103	97	Main St.	Blake, Dr. House		1780
104	97	Main St.	Reed, Herbert Gas Station		1930
105		Main St.	Northfield Fire Station		1952
106		Main St.	Spencer Gas Station		1919
107	87	Main St.	Northfield Baptist Church Parsonage		1961
108		Main St.	Northfield Baptist Church		1961
109	85	Main St.	Lyman, Thomas House		1828
110	83	Main St.	Shuman, Samuel N. House		1920
111	81	Main St.	New England Telephone Company Building		1940
112	79	Main St.	Lily Dan Restaurant		1940
113	77	Main St.	Proctor, Arthur W. Block		1898
114	73	Main St.	Pomeroy, Dr. Medad House		1765
115		Main St.	Northfield Town Hall		1927
116		Main St.	Minot, R. H. Tin Store		1871
117	65	Main St.	Cook - Hillock House		1808
118	61	Main St.	Wright House		1750
119		Main St.	Wright, Martha Bakery Building	Grange Hall	1891
120	55	Main St.	Prior, Isaac House		1820
121	51	Main St.	Parsons, A. C. - Mead, Dr. Marshall House		1855
122	31	Main St.	Stearns, Charles Henry House		1850

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MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
123	47	Main St.	Ward, Dr. Rollin C. House		1875
124	27	Main St.	White, Ebenezer Tavern		1784
125	25	Main St.	Field, Zechariah House		1795
126	45	Main St.	Watriss, Oliver House		1795
127		Main St.	Whitney Brothers Gas Station		1955
128	39	Main St.	Parsons, Albert Collins Store		1877
129	37	Main St.	Wright, Horace House		1822
130	35	Main St.	Stone House		1905
131	15	Main St.	Field, Ebenezer House		1721
132	33	Main St.	Lane, Capt. Samuel House		1845
133	21	Main St.	Morgan, Michael House		1940
134	19	Main St.	Messer, William House		1960
135	9	Main St.	Millard, Herbert House		1925
136	5	Main St.	Wright, John House		1847
137	1	Main St.	Morse House		1968
138		Main St.	Miller, Doris Camp		1970
800		Main St.	Moody, Dwight L. and Emma G. R. Graves		1899
901		Main St.	Belcher Memorial Fountain		1909
906		Main St.	Belding, Aaron Plaque		
907		Main St.	First Public Religious Service Marker		1897
910		Main St.	Northfield First Settlement Marker		1897
911		Main St.	Fort Marker		1897
912		Main St.	First Grist Mill Monument		1941
915		Main St.	Preston, Charles Leroy Plaque		1929
916		Main St.	Moody, Dwight L. Plaque		1937
917		Main St.	Power, Thomas Esq. Plaque		1933
918	98	Main St.	Civil War Tablet		1911
919		Main St.	Sons and Daughters in Armed Forces Plaque		1949
920		Main St.	World War I Marker		1919
927		Main St.	Route 63 Bridge - Main Street Bridge		1941

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Other Significant Historical Properties in Northfield

(Sorted by Street Name)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
196		Alexander Hill Rd.		Stratton, Asa House	1740
929		Bennett Brook Rd.	Bennett Brook Road Bridge		1978
928		Birnam Rd.	Birnam Road Bridge		1937
203		Caldwell Rd.	Dickinson, Nathaniel House		1840
926		Caldwell Rd.	Central Vermont Railroad Bridge		1904
924		East Northfield Rd.	Schell Memorial Bridge		1903
925		East Northfield Rd.	East Northfield Road Railroad Bridge		1909
197		Gulf Rd.	Stratton, Harvey House		1814
198		Gulf Rd.	Robbins, George House		1814
199		Gulf Rd.	Dyke, Samuel House		1844
195		Lower Northfield Farms Rd.	Morgan, Apollos House		1815
207		Main St.	Olivia Music Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1909
208		Main St.	Skinner Gymnasium - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	Tracy Social Student Center	1895
209		Main St.	Inman Shelter - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1962
210		Main St.	Wilson Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	Principal's House - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1930
211		Main St.	Marquand Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1884
212		Main St.	Home Science Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	Billings Hall	1907
213		Main St.	Countway Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1964
223		Main St.	Palmer Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1927
224		Main St.	Kenarden Hall - Mt. Hermon Northfield School		1913
225		Main St.	Stone Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1885
226		Main St.	Talcott Library - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1888
227		Main St.	East Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1880

Other Significant Historical Properties in Northfield (con't)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
230		Main St.	Alexander, Elisha Sr. House - Moody Homestead	Admissions Office - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	1829
927		Main St.	Route 63 Bridge - Main Street Bridge		1941
148		Maple St.	Field, John House		1842
149		Maple St.	Stearns, Calvin House		1807
1		Millers Falls Rd.	Comins, A. House		1850
2		Millers Falls Rd.	Scott House		1930
3		Millers Falls Rd.	Stearns, Dwight House		1951
166		Millers Falls Rd.	Stratton, Hezekiah Jr. House and Tavern	Stratton - Sturbridge Village Tavern	1763
167		Millers Falls Rd.	Tripp, Martha House		1860
168		Millers Falls Rd.	Field Memorial Library		1898
169		Millers Falls Rd.	Gilbert, Lyman Jr. House		1850
172		Millers Falls Rd.	Stratton House		1871
173		Millers Falls Rd.	Field, George Sr. House	Sunset Farm	1803
174		Millers Falls Rd.	Stratton, Elihu House		1830
175		Millers Falls Rd.	Darling, Abbie S. House		1893
176		Millers Falls Rd.	Cady, Jesse House		1835
177		Millers Falls Rd.	Whittacker, Charles House		1896
178		Millers Falls Rd.	Morgan, Frederick Sr. House		1801
179		Millers Falls Rd.	Holton, Elisha House		1814
180		Millers Falls Rd.	Morgan, Calvin N. House		1833
181		Millers Falls Rd.	Gilbert, Lyman Sr. House		1826
182		Millers Falls Rd.	Northfield District #4 Schoolhouse		1841
183		Millers Falls Rd.	Field, George 2nd House		1820
184		Millers Falls Rd.	Stratton, Hezekiah 3rd House		1825
185		Millers Falls Rd.	Stratton, Charles House		1818
186		Millers Falls Rd.	Alexander, Simeon House*		1843
187		Millers Falls Rd.	Gage, Anson House		1853
188		Millers Falls Rd.	Sawyer, Asahel House	Green Pastures	1837
189		Millers Falls Rd.	Stratton, Alberto House		1831

**The Simeon Alexander House is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.*

Other Significant Historical Properties in Northfield (con't)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
190		Millers Falls Rd.	Smith, Aldolphus House		1825
191		Millers Falls Rd.	Field, Walter House		1854
204		Moody St.	Moody, Somon House	Moody Museum	1823
205		Moody St.	Moore Cottage - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1980
206	5	Moody St.	Northfield Seminary Bookstore – Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1898
202		Mount Hermon Station Rd.	Belding, Elijah Eastman House		1840
908		Old Route 10	King Phillip's Hill Marker*		1930
150		Old Wendell Rd.	Holton, Capt. Samuel S. House		1853
200		Old Wendell Rd.	Field, Sharon House		1851
802		Parker Ave.	Center Cemetery	Moody Cemetery	1726
802		Parker Ave.	Center Cemetery	Moody Cemetery	1726
170		Pine Meadow Rd.	Sanborn, William House		1855
171		Pine Meadow Rd.	Metcalf, Thomas House	Pine Meadow Farm	1855
164	13	Pine St.	Northfield District Schoolhouse #2*	Northfield Historical Society Museum	1903
921		Route 142	Three State Boundary Marker		1897
922		Route 142	Massachusetts and Vermont Boundary Marker		1896
923		Route 142	Massachusetts and Vermont Boundary Marker		1896
902		Route 63	Beers Massacre Memorial		1897
904		Route 63	Beers, Capt. Richard Marker		1930
905		Route 63	Dickinson, Nathaniel and Asahel Monument		1872
909		Route 63	Indian Council Fires Marker		1930
913		Route 63	Wheelock, Eleazer Monument		
151		Saint Mary's St.	Stearns, Calvin House		1847
201		South Mountain Rd.	Merriman, Samuel House	Linden Hill School	1835
801		South Mountain Rd.	South Mountain Cemetery		1815
903		South Mountain Rd.	Beers, Capt. Richard Grave Marker		1897
152		Turnpike Rd.	Webb, J. O. House		1854

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Other Significant Historical Properties in Northfield (con't)

MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
193		Upper Northfield Farms Rd.	Field, Thomas J. House	Llewelyn Farm - Five Point Farm	1850
194		Upper Northfield Farms Rd.	Holton, Horace House		1815
139		Warwick Rd.	Farnsworth House		1868
140		Warwick Rd.	Fisher House		1853
141		Warwick Rd.	Field, William House		1835
142		Warwick Rd.	Stowbridge, Gordon House		1830
157		Warwick Rd.	Wright, Reuben House		1850
158		Warwick Rd.	Coy, Ira House		1840
159		Warwick Rd.	Irish, Albert H. House		1900
160		Warwick Rd.	Arling, A. J. House		1892
161		Warwick Rd.	Pomeroy House		1836
162		Warwick Rd.	Alexander House		1890
163		Warwick Rd.	Casey, John Jr. House		1890
143		Warwick Rd.	Webb, J. O. House		1849
144		Warwick Rd.	Johnson, Henry House		1869
145		Warwick Rd.	Murdock, B. B. House		1861
146		Warwick Rd.	Johnson, Henry House		1861
147		Warwick Rd.	Alexander House		1876
153		Warwick Rd.	Murdock, B. B. House		1861
154		Warwick Rd.	Putney House		1890
155		Warwick Rd.	Marsh House		1857
156		Warwick Rd.	Johnson House		1868
214		Winchester Rd.	Sage, Russell Chapel - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1909
215		Winchester Rd.	Gould Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1912
216		Winchester Rd.	Merrill-Keep Dormitory - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1937
217		Winchester Rd.	Meany Physical Education Center - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1971

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MHC #	Street #	Street Name	Historic Name	Common Name	Year
218		Winchester Rd.	Auditorium - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1894
219		Winchester Rd.	Moody Infirmary - Northfield Mt. Hermon School	Moody House	1890
220		Winchester Rd.	Weston Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1887
221		Winchester Rd.	Wilson Dormitory - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1956
222		Winchester Rd.	Hibbard Hall - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1962
228		Winchester Rd.	Hillside Cottage - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1886
229		Winchester Rd.	Crane Cottage - Northfield Mt. Hermon School		1890

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