# RIDGEFIELD CONSERVATION COMMISSION LEVY PARK TRAIL - EAGLE PRESENTATION

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## Introduction

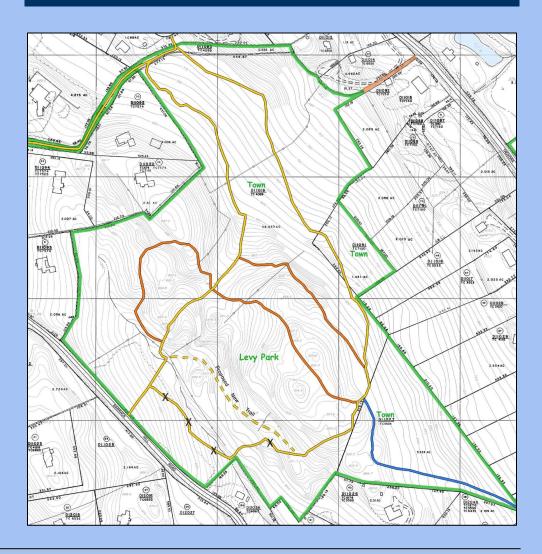


Hi, my name is Gabriela Rogers and I'm a 15-year-old rising sophomore at RHS. I am a member of Troop 19, the first and only female scout troop in Ridgefield. I joined Scouts in November 2018 and recently achieved the rank of Life. My current focus is my Eagle project, which will take place at Levy park.

## **Project Description**

- Reroute the existing yellow trail at Levy
   Park to create a more hiker-friendly and aesthetically pleasing experience
  - Blaze the new trail (dotted line on map) through defining / clearing a visible pathway and removing or repositioning all obstructions
  - Ensure rock passage and all stone wall crossings are secure and safe
  - Paint all blazes to appropriately mark the trail
  - Address overgrown brush & weeds at trail entry point by Barrack Hill Road
  - Remove blazes from section of the trail that is being retired

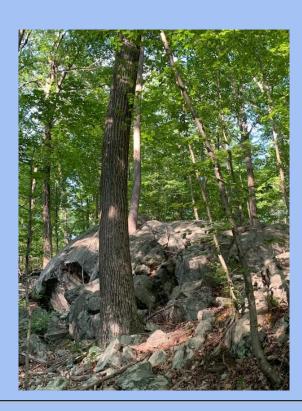
### Trail Map



#### **Benefits**

- Replaces an existing section that is currently overgrown, close to the road and has a section of very steep terrain
- New section achieves the following:
  - More hiker friendly with easier terrain to navigate and a well-defined path that ties in more logically to existing trail
  - More enjoyable experience through scenic views along the rock ridge, a meandering path and fun trail features (e.g. rock passageway)







Tools

- Chainsaw
- Ax
- Loppers
- Rakes
- Shovels
- Digging Bars
- Bow Saw
- Macleod

Materials & Supplies

- Paint and paint brushes to mark trail blazes
- Trail blaze template
- Gloves
- First Aid kits
- Insect spray, sunscreen
- Water, snacks, lunch

#### Timeline & Phases

- Estimated start date is sometime in August or September
- Phase 1: Finalize path with marking tape and removable flags
- Phase 2: Begin clearing the path and defining the trail. This will include detailing work such as securing stone steps at the wall and the rock pathway
- Phase 3: paint the new blazes and remove blazes from the retired section

#### Costs

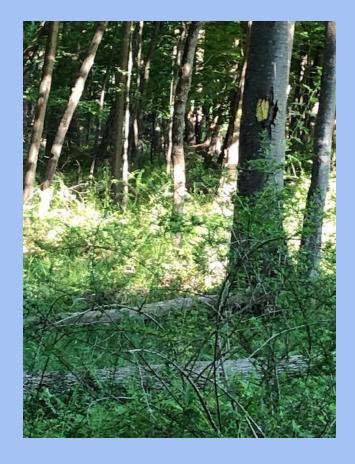
- Under \$250 to cover paint, paint supplies, food and water
- Tools to be borrowed from family, friends and potentially the Town of Ridgefield

# **Pictures**

Retired Trail



Proposed Trail







Thank you so much for your time and support!