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**ASHUWILLTICOOK RAIL TRAIL
MAY 2008 TRAIL COUNT**

COUNT SUMMARY

NOTE: The numbers listed below represent the total number of one way trips seen on the trail, rather than the number of individual users. Volunteers were not required to remember if they had already seen a particular user before.

SUNDAY, May 4

Total Volume: 1,180 one way trips between 7:00AM and 7:00PM

Mall: 483 (41%), Farnam's Rd: 370 (31%), Russell Field: 327 (28%)

Total Walkers: 517 (44% of total volume)

Mall: 252, Farnam's Rd.: 117, Russell Field: 148

Total Bicyclists: 503 (43% of total volume)

Mall: 162, Farnam's Rd: 193, Russell Field: 148

TUESDAY, May 6

Total Volume: 510 one way tripss between 7:30-9:30AM and 4:30-6:30PM

Mall: 195 (38%), Farnam's Rd: 169 (33%), Russell Field: 146 (29%)

Total Walkers: 218 (43% of total volume)

Mall: 95, Farnam's Rd.: 53, Russell Field: 70

Total Bicyclists: 212 (42% of total volume)

Mall: 66, Farnam's Rd.: 85, Russell Field: 61

A Note on Tuesday's Counts: On Tuesday, data was collected at the Berkshire Mall in both the AM and PM peak hours for a total of 4 hours, which represents one third of the amount of time for which data was collected on Sunday (12 hours). Data was collected at Farnam's Road and Russell Field during the PM peak period (2 hours), which represents only one sixth of the amount of time for which data was collected on Sunday. For the PM peak hour on Tuesday between 4:30 and 5:30, there were 175 one way trips (34%) counted at all three locations. This total hourly volume is greater than all but one of Sunday's hourly volumes. From 5:30 to 6:30 on Tuesday, there were 276 one way trips (54%) counted at all three locations. This total hourly volume is greater than any of Sunday's hourly volumes.

Extra data was collected at Farnam's Road and Russell Field beyond the 2 hour PM peak period. Two walkers were seen using the trail at Russell Field between 9:00 and 9:30AM on Tuesday. Eighteen one way trips (5 walkers, 11 bikers, 1 skater and 1 walker with a baby carriage) were seen on the trail at Farnam's Road between 4:10 and 4:30PM on Tuesday. Taking the extra data into account provides an adjusted total volume of 530 for Tuesday, May 6.

Data Summary

The highest number of one way trips were counted at the Berkshire Mall location on both Sunday (483) (41%) and Tuesday (195) (38%). The lowest number of one way trips were counted at the Russell Field location on both Sunday (327) (28%) and Tuesday (146) (29%).

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On Sunday, the highest number of one way trips was counted between 2:00-3:00PM (181) (15%). The lowest number of one way trips was counted between 7:00-8:00AM (22) (2%).

The most popular mode of travel on Sunday was Walking (517) (44%), followed closely by Bicycling (503) (43%). The least popular mode of travel on Sunday for which there was at least one trip counted was "Wheel Chair or Disability" (1) (0%). Percentage wise, the least popular modes of travel on Sunday were "Walker with Baby Carriage" (15) (1%), "Biker with Baby Carriage" (8) (1%) and "Other" (14) (1%).

TUESDAY

Because the Mall was the only location counted in both the AM and PM, it is not possible to compare hourly volumes between all three locations. However, it is possible to compare the hourly volumes for all three locations for the PM period only.

Total PM Volume on Tuesday: 451

Mall: 136 (30% of total PM volume), Farnam's Rd: 169 (37% of total PM volume), Russell Field: 146 (32% of total PM volume).

The most popular mode of travel on Tuesday was Walking (218) (43%), followed closely by Bicycling (212) (42%). The least popular mode of travel on Tuesday for which there was at least one trip counted was "Wheel Chair or Disability" (2) (0%) and "Skater with Baby Carriage" (2) (0%). Percentage wise, the least popular mode of travel on Tuesday was "Biker with Baby Carriage" (5) (1%).