

Hemlock Hills Campsite Post Project Presentation

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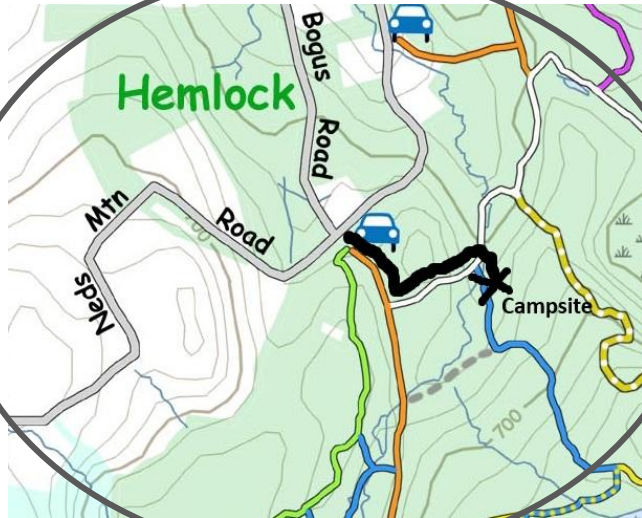
Overview of Eagle Project

- Campsite in the Hemlock Hills Area
- Located close to a now-defunct campsite
- One trail leading into site
- Three Tent Platforms
- Three Benches around a stone fireplace
- Bench at stream with path leading to it

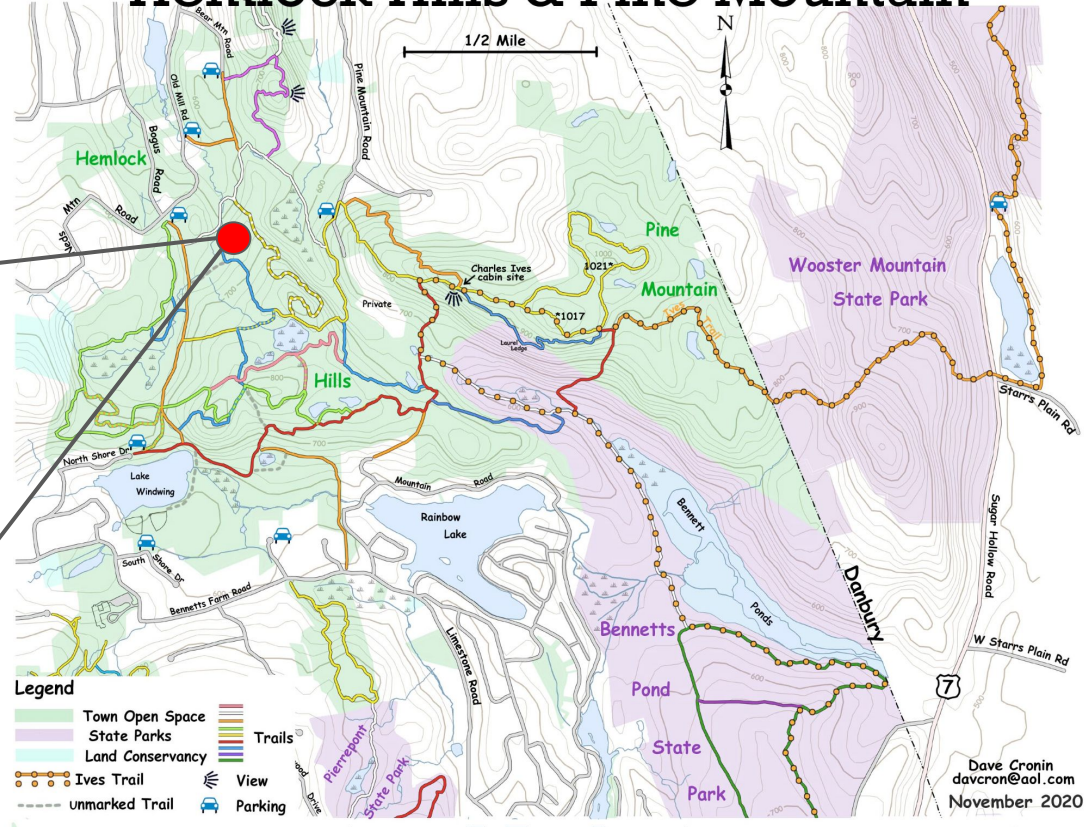


Hemlock Hills Area

Located on Blue Trail



Hemlock Hills & Pine Mountain



Fire Marshal Approval

- Requested after original presentation
- Walked campsite with Fire Marshal
- Obtained Full Approval



OFFICE OF THE FIRE MARSHAL

Ridgefield Fire Department

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Ridgefield Fire Marshal's Office

66 Prospect Street
Ridgefield, CT 06877
September 22, 2025

Dear Asher,

On behalf of the Ridgefield Fire Marshal's Office, I am pleased to confirm approval of your Eagle Scout project to construct a designated camping site in the Hemlock Hills Trail area.

This project will serve as a lasting improvement to our community by providing a safe, organized space for camping and outdoor recreation. Your initiative not only reflects the core values of Scouting but also demonstrates an outstanding commitment to public service and stewardship of our natural resources.

Please keep this office informed of your project's progress, and do not hesitate to reach out should you require any guidance or assistance as you move forward.

Congratulations on your continued pursuit of the rank of Eagle Scout. We are proud to support you in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Drew Loya", is written over a faint circular stamp.

Drew Loya
Fire Marshal
Town of Ridgefield

Work

- Constructed on September 20th.
 - Originally planned to be built on the 20th and 21st, but finished in one day.
- Final details added on October 2nd.
 - Added sign and bench by stream
- Built by scouts and parents from Troop 116.



Final Site - Entrance

- Sign marks entrance into camp.
- Trail leads directly to main area.
- Place on sign to put rules.
- Two entrances changed to one.



Final Site - Campfire

- Constructed out of stones from old fire pits.
- Surrounded by three benches.



Final Site: Tent Platforms



- Three platforms in total.
- Slightly overfilled to allow for runoff.



Final Site - River

- Bench put by stream to give a place to rest or pump water.



Lessons - Positives and Challenges

Positives:

- I enjoyed the leadership opportunity and leading others
- Great to see the project coming together after a lot of work
- Everyone worked hard to help complete the project

Challenges:

- Was challenging to keep young scouts focused at some points
- Biggest challenge was making tent platforms level
- Needed to buy extra stone dust halfway through day

Expenses

Materials at Ridgefield Supply	\$735.59
Stone Dust/Gravel	\$301.39
Supplies	Supplies such as food or water were provided by my family.
Tools	Tools were provided by my family and volunteers.
Total Budget: \$1,300	Total Expenses: \$1,036.98

Thank you for supporting my project!

I can now answer any questions.