The Epsom Town Forest is located on Tarleton Road. Take Route 4 East of the Epsom Traffic Circle to Center Hill Road on your right. Follow Center Hill up the hill past McClary Cemetery to Mountain Road on your right. Take Mountain Road until fork for Tarleton Road, bear left. If road conditions allow continue on unmaintained Tarleton Road parking area.

**Parking** The parking area is on your left just after you start to see boundary markers for Epsom Town Forest. Tarleton Road is subject to gates and bars. If road conditions do not allow please park in the designated winter parking area—never block Tarleton Road. Recreational users of this land are encouraged to park and hike.

**Carry In—Carry Out all Litter Leave No Trace**

**Who Lives Here?** This Forest is home to a diverse species of flora and fauna. Watch for signs of deer, moose, black bear, coyotes, otter, beaver, fox, raccoons, fisher cats, bobcats, grouse, wood ducks, hooded mergansers, brook trout, turtles, red and gray squirrels, chipmunks, porcupines, many bird species, and more.

Land Owned by Town of Epsom and monitored by the Epsom Conservation Commission

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**Trails and Hikes** Refer to map on back

1. **Tarleton Road Trail**—Fire Road, numerous foundations, including Tarleton homesite (see map), link to other trails including Neville Peak Trail and Mill Pond Trail. Please use good judgement about vehicular use of road. Snowmobile, Snowshoe and cross country ski accessible in winter.

2. **Neville Peak Loop Trail**—Hikers only to peak. Follow unmaintained Tarleton Road over Blake’s Brook up to the Tarleton foundation (on the left) in 100 yards you will see signs for the Scout Trail. follow red blazes to Neville Peak. Or you can continue on Tarleton Road bear left at Mill Pond intersection. Trail to the summit bears off to the left rising steeply at the end. At the top of hill the trail levels off. Follow the trail across the ridge to the ledge and opening with a vista of Epsom and the far off Mountains. See diagram on back of Mountain Peaks visible from this vista on a clear day. Scout Trail starts at northern end of the ridge.

3. **Mill Pond and Sluice Trail Loop**—Headed out on Tarleton Road, just after you cross Blake’s Brook will be a sign for the sluice trail (orange blazes) on your right. You can follow the trail to the 10 acre mill pond which is now maintained by beaver. Or you can head out on Tarleton Road and take the right after the Tarleton foundation. Loop approx. 2 miles.

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**Epsom Town Forest Conservation Land**

Tarleton Road, Epsom

Includes the Epsom Summit of Nottingham Mountain with a vista of the White Mountains which include Franconia Notch, Mount Washington and more, a 10 acre mill pond, Tarleton Cellar Hole and Cemetery and other foundations, trails, and native species including evidence of a diverse wildlife population.

The Epsom Town Forest consists of over 460 acres of forestland which is protected from future development. The goal is to promote conservation, education, forest and wildlife management and outdoor recreation on this property for all individuals.

The initial 318 acres of the property was acquired for the town through the Land Conservation Investment Program and the conservation easements granted to the town by Alice and Cyril Smith of their property on Sanborn Hill including Brush Hill and Dr. Ed Jackson and his property which abuts the Town Forest on Griffin Road. The Town Forest acreage was increased 140 acres through the generous donation of Massachusetts Scoutmaster Joe Neville.