

# Class A Trails



Snowmobile bridge on Pig Lane

## Strafford, New Hampshire

# What are the Benefits of Class A Trails?

- Allow for the Town to Make Repairs and Improvements
- Help to Preserve Community Character
- Support Our Local Economy
- Good for the Environment
- Improve Public Safety



Isinglass River taken from Foss Mill Trail



# Existing Class VI Road Regulations & Policies

- Building permits are not guaranteed; apply to the Selectboard & reviewed by Planning Board, Police Dept. and Fire Chief
  - “Waiver of Liability” required
  - Road improvements by applicant required
  - Subdivision on Class VI roads not allowed unless the road is brought up to Class V standards
- Towns regulate public uses of Class VI Roads & Class A Trails
- Access to private holdings cannot be denied on Class VI Roads & Class A Trails

# **Strafford Class VI Road Study 2021**

- **Currently 21 Class VI Roads that extend over 23.5 miles**
- **189 parcels have frontage on Class VI Roads**

## **OF THOSE 189 PARCELS**

- **102 have a residence somewhere on the property**
- **60 also have frontage on a Class V or State Road**
- **27 are permanently conserved**
- **68 only have frontage on Class VI Roads and are not conserved**

# Concerns About Building on Class VI Roads

- Ability to access residences for emergency vehicles
- Special needs access for education must be to the door
- Blocked access for outdoor recreation or to other landowner's properties
- Loss of a key component of Strafford's rural community character
- Negative impacts to natural resources

# Why Designate Class A Trails?

- This is about protecting Strafford's natural beauty. (That's why we live here.)
- Some Class VI roads are too steep, narrow or rugged to pass with normal vehicles, are used primarily for recreation now, and should be preserved for their natural character.
- The Planning Board has identified sections of these that will provide the best benefit to all of us and limits the impact to abutting landowners.

# 2022 Warrant Articles Propose 5 New Class A Trails

- 1<sup>st</sup> Crown Pt. Rd - Near the Barnstead Town Line
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Crown Pt. Rd - Barn Door Gap
- Snackerty Rd - Entire Length
- Willey Pond Rd - Near Beam Camp
- Pig Lane - Steep Slopes and 3 Streams



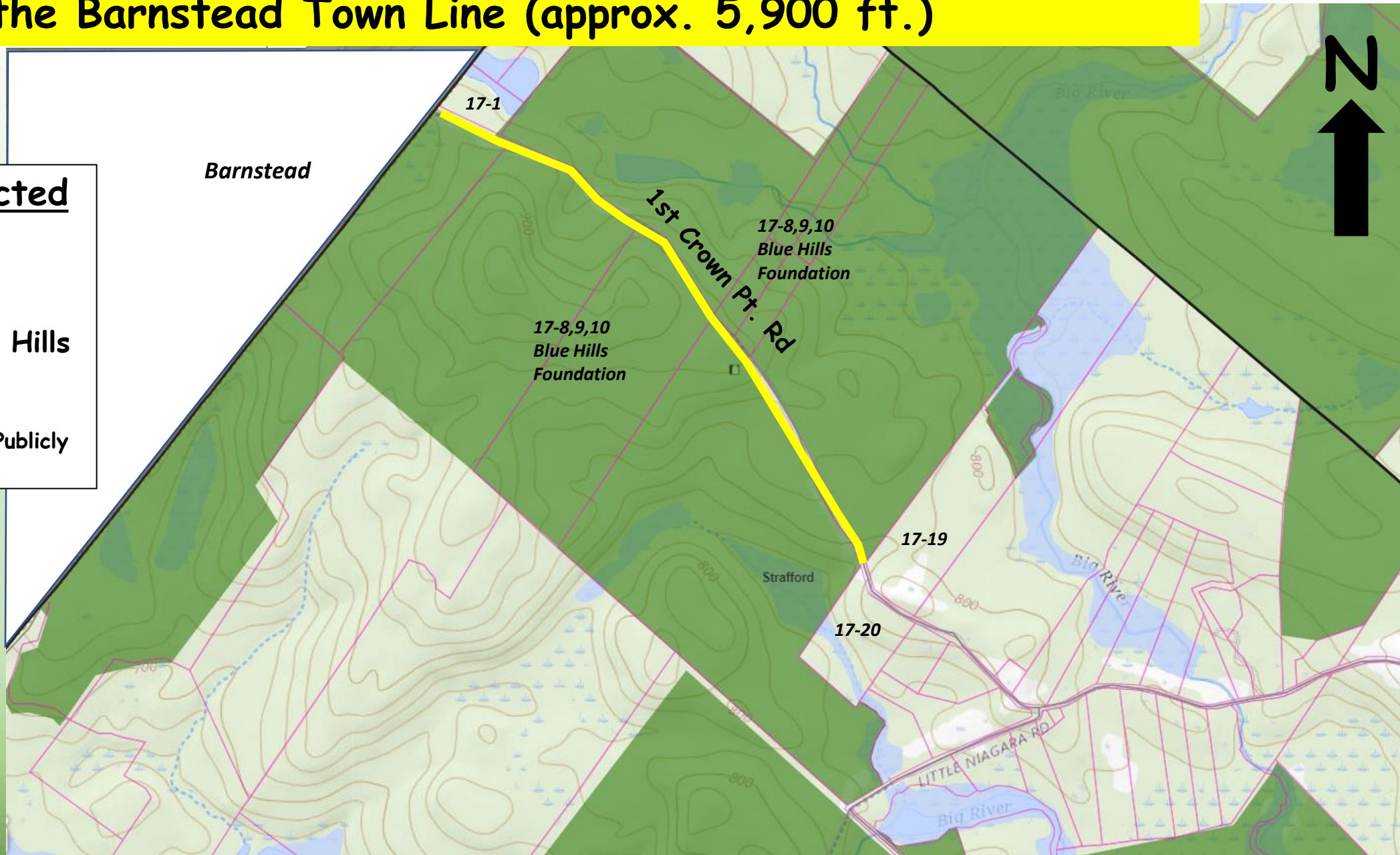
**1<sup>st</sup> Crown Pt. Rd - from the northwest corner of lots 17-19&20 to the Barnstead Town Line (approx. 5,900 ft.)**

**Parcels Affected**

**17-1 Wildes**

**17-8, 9, 10 Blue Hills Foundation**

**Green - Conserved or Publicly Owned**





# **2<sup>nd</sup> Crown Pt. Rd - Barn Door Gap from the SW corner of 14-11-2 to the SE corner of 18-32 (approx. 3,600 ft.)**

## **Parcels Affected**

**18-6 Ryll (Built)**

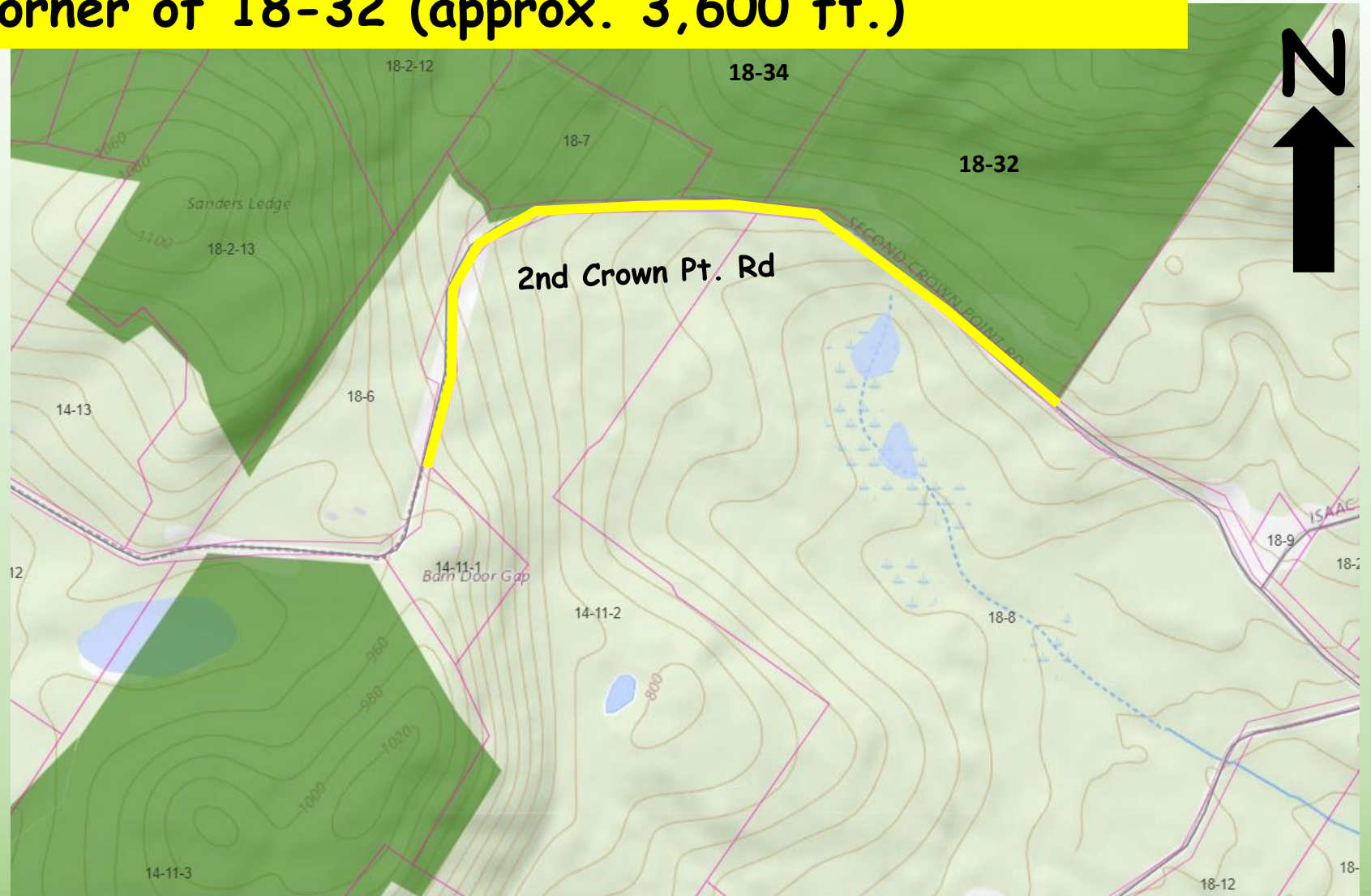
**18-7 Blue Hills Foundation**

**18-32 Effenberger (Built)**

**18-34 Hartranft (Built)**

**14-11-2 Crateau**

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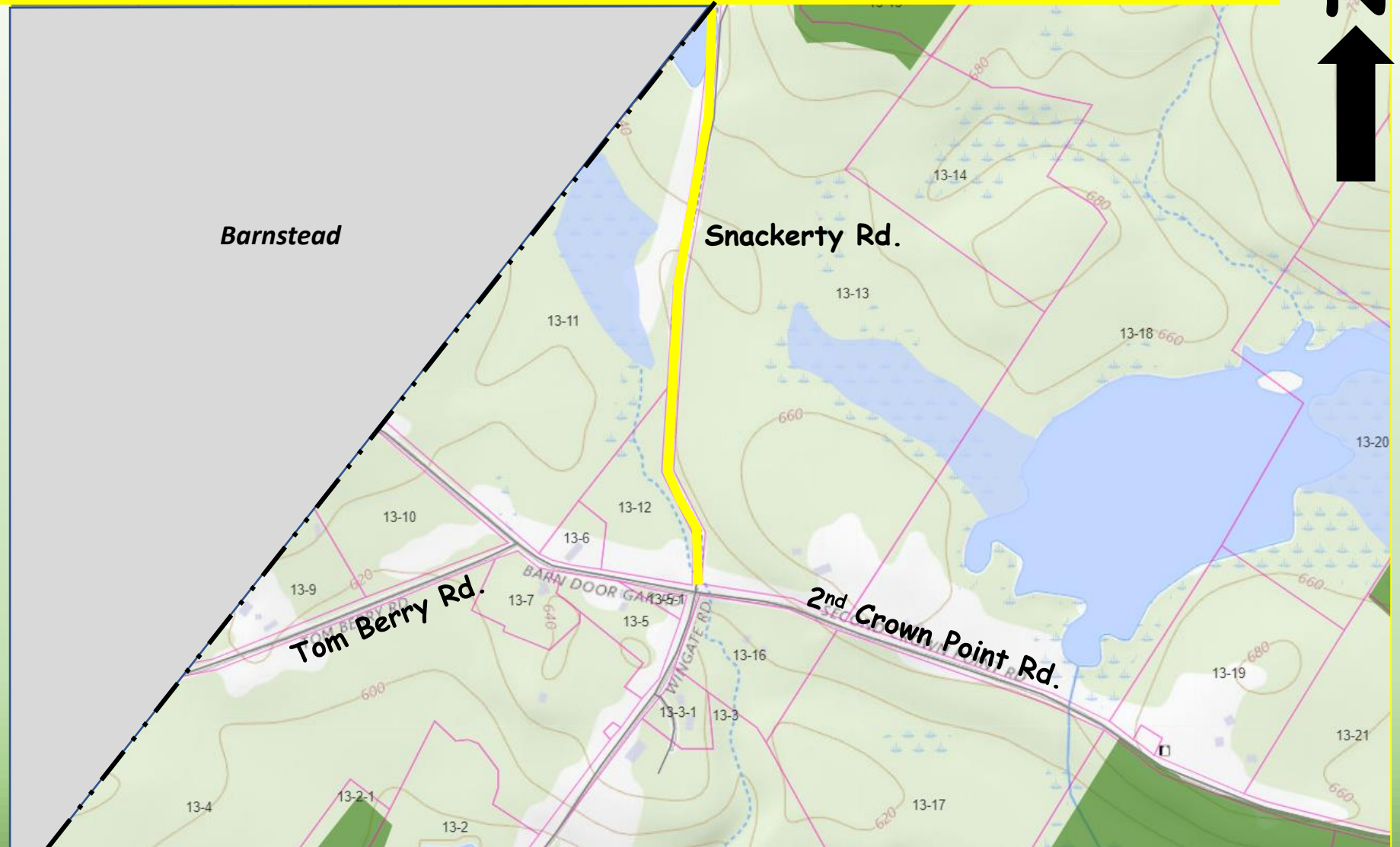
# Snackerty Rd - from 2<sup>nd</sup> Crown Pt. Rd. to Barnstead Town Line (approx. 2,600 ft)

## Parcels Affected

13-11 Blue Hills Foundation

13-12 Pierce (Built)

13-13 Schneider (Built)





**Willey Pond Rd - from immediately beyond the entrance  
to Beam Camp to the north side of the Little River  
(approx. 3,800 ft.)**

**Parcels Affected**

**9-21-A Blue Hills Foundation**

**9-79 Barr (Built)**

**10-1 Savage (Built)**

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Ownership**





**Pig Lane - from Range Rd to 50 ft beyond Huckins Brook  
(approx. 4,490 ft.)**

**Parcels Affected**

**8-19-1 Shiere (Alt. Frontage)**

**8-20 Nelson (Built)**

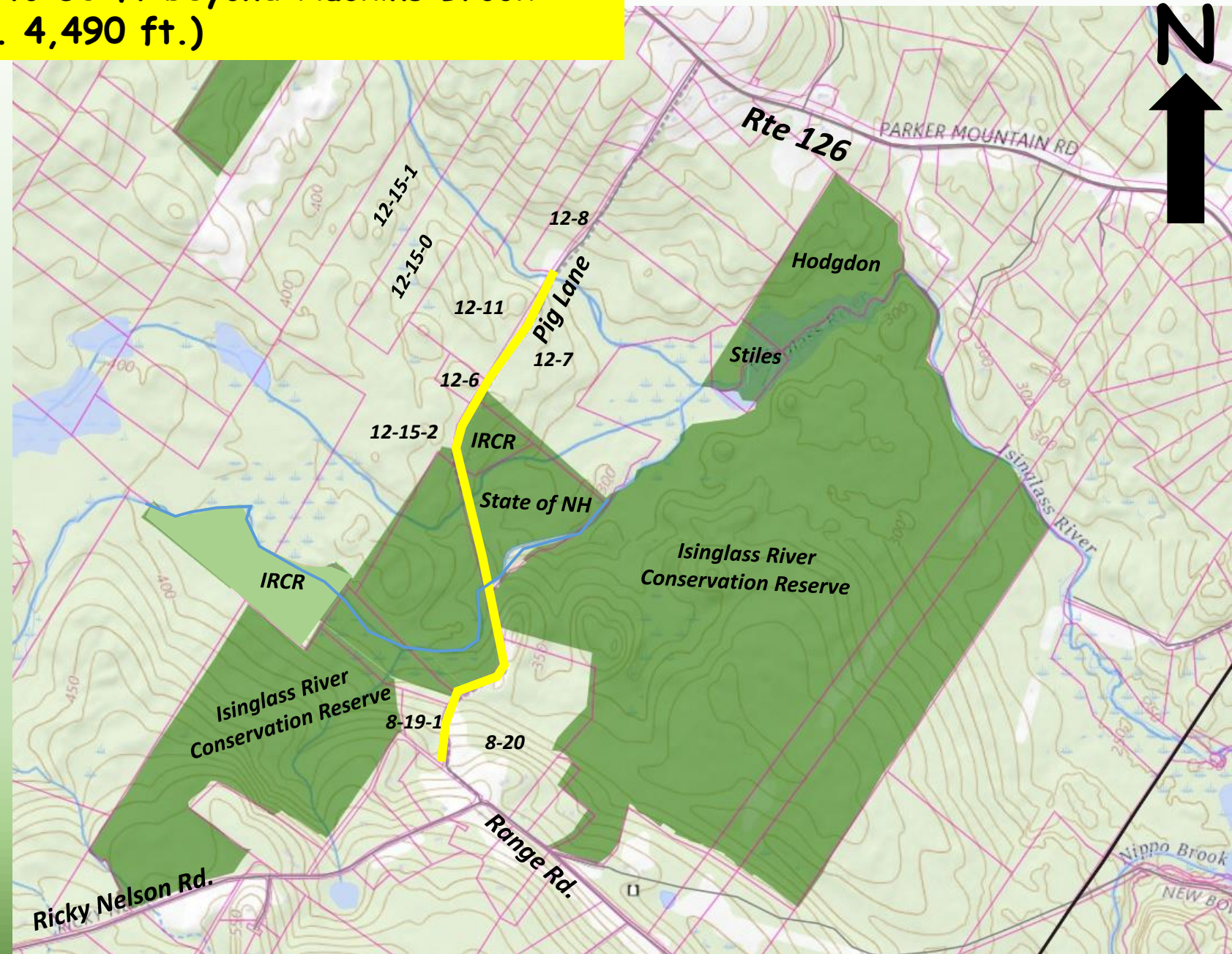
**12-6 Robertson**

**12-7 MacIver (Built)**

**12-11 Cummings (Alt. Frontage)**

**12-15-2 Wuelper (Alt. Frontage)**

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**Thank you**

**Please help support this  
effort to preserve  
Strafford's natural beauty  
and recreational  
opportunities.**



Little Niagara Road