Mount Agamenticus Conservation Program 2022 Stewardship Report

Dedicated volunteers and hardworking Conservation Stewards combined forces to make a productive Field Season. The Mount A Region has experienced unprecedented visitation since 2020, and much of this season's work centered around sustainable management for increased use. Noteworthy accomplishments include a comprehensive trail assessment using GIS technology to collect data and quantify future projects, invasive plant removal, replacement of three boardwalks, summit barn exterior painting and repairs, shrubland habitat management, trail sign updates, closure of unsanctioned trails, and reconditioning of the Big A Trail.

FIELD SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

PROJECT	QUANTITY
GIS Trail Assessment	15mi, 48 hours
Barn painting and repairs	210 hours
Three Boardwalks Replaced	110 linear feet
Big A Trail Reconditioning	20 tons of stone dust
Summit Shrubland Habitat Management	5 acres cut/chipped
Sensitive Habitat Surveyed and Managed for Invasive Plants	20 acres
Visitor Use Surveys	Over 700 completed
Unsanctioned trail closures	.73 miles
Trail Sign Update	19 new signs
COMMUNITY WORKDAYS	
Community Workdays	8 days
Community Work Day Volunteers	78 volunteers
Community Work Day Hours	234
VOLUNTEER WORK GROUPS	
Work Groups Hosted	5 groups
Total Participants	39 volunteers
Volunteer Work Group Hours	274
TRAIL ADOPTERS	
Trail Adopters	19 volunteers
Adopter Visits to Trails	76 visits
Trail Adopter Volunteer Hours	193
VOLUNTEER TOTALS	
107 Volunteers	701 Hours



Above: Earth Day volunteers and Mount A staff sort trash collected along Mountain Rd.

Below: Staff and volunteers discuss drainage improvements during a Trail Maintenance Community Workday.



Below: A favorite project involved Crew and volunteers dismantling and rebuilding a 35' multi use boardwalk on Cedar Trail.





Community Workdays are open to the public, and hosted monthly, each with a specific hands-on focus. Projects include: Shrubland Habitat Management, Native Plant Bed Rehabilitation, Trash Cleanups, Basic Trail Maintenance Workshop, Boardwalk Construction, Invasive Plant Removal, and assisting with the Trail Challenge Race. Without the help of dedicated volunteers, we would not be able to manage the Mount Agamenticus Conservation Region's 4,400 acres and 40 miles of trail.







