

FORWARD VISION



North Quabbin Trails Association

An organization based on the principles that we are stewards in our sustainable relationship with the forest, and it's trails on land and water.

Mission Statement: The purpose of the North Quabbin Trails Association, Inc. is to sustain and work towards outdoor trail development, maintenance and improvements, including but not limited to the restoration and maintenance of trails on land and water, proper education and safety in areas of trail maintenance and construction, and to create stewardship with other outdoor organizations, groups and individuals to further this goal.

FOUR (4) Guiding Principles:

- 1. Stewardship:** At the core of N.Q.T.A is stewardship, with our stated goal of the creation of stewardship team leaders, stewardship crews to provide a ten year vision of trail development, maintenance, and trail improvements on trails currently being developed (Q+M, PCT, Millers/ Baquag). Offering these services to other trail organizations and municipalities in support of their trails in the North Quabbin Region.
- 2. Outdoor Activity Clearing House:** Using N.Q.T.A as a base to bring together the various outdoor trail organizations, groups and individuals. This will allow for a forum of trail education and connection between the diverse groups utilizing the trail systems. There is much need for these trail groups to express their individual concerns and by communication establishing working relationship for the proper multi-trail usage development. N.Q.T.A as a non-profit stewardship organization allows for the signing of licensing agreements with lands under state and federal jurisdiction.
- 3. Trail Development and Design:** A critical component will be the continuation of trail development and connection of trails and organizations in the North Quabbin Region and then to provide a stewardship plan to maintain these trail systems. The eco-economic benefits will provide for substantial and sustained growth to our region.
- 4. Education and Safety:** Utilizing local organizations to provide for proper education and safety in areas of trail maintenance, trail construction, and safe chainsaw operation. All crew members will be provided with these safety and educational opportunities to establish a safe and proper working environment out on the trails.

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dedicated to sustaining trails and
creating collaborations.