



Greenbelt Gazette

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Multi-user Mantras

•**Winnick Wood Improvements.** The Cape Elizabeth Conservation Committee has wrapped up its third successful partnership with the Maine Conservation Corps (MCC) with an impressive four plus projects completed in Winnick Woods. The MCC Team arrived August 19th, pitched their tents at the Public Works Garage, and began transforming the lumber pile in the parking lot into new boardwalks. The Public Works Department again were gracious hosts, sharing facilities and access to power for recharging. The improvements are part of the 2020 FB Environmental Trail Assessment, and permits have been obtained for Winnick Woods improvements.



Worn boards on existing boardwalks have been replaced.



The main trail in Winnick Woods is terminally muddy in the spring. This new boardwalk provides a dry surface for trail users and is offset to accommodate access for mowing equipment.

Before



After



Before



After





One hundred feet of new boardwalk on this existing trail provides users with a dry surface to visit the pond and mitigates the impact on adjacent vegetation.

What's Happening?

- **NEMBA Rides** – One more NEMBA ride will be held this fall.

- **Gull Crest Outer Loop Boardwalk maintenance.** This Fall, the Conservation Committee will be seeking volunteers to help move boards at selected locations on the Outer Loop boardwalk where existing boards are failing. Individuals and groups who are willing to donate an hour or two of time to move boards are welcome! For more information, contact the town planner, Maureen.omeara@capeelizabeth.org, and watch for announcements on the [town website](#) and in the next gazette.