

## General Park Information

The LaPlatte Nature Park is comprised of about 145 acres of town-owned open space that supports many forms of passive recreation. The trails meander through a field still managed for hay and travel through the woods and alongside the LaPlatte River.

Trails may be used for walking, running, snowshoeing or cross-country skiing. In the meadow near the post office, a hill serves as a popular sledding hill in the winter. The community gardens are located in the Park off LaPlatte Circle, and they offer an ideal location to park your car before heading out for a trail walk. Parking is also available at the north end of the park in the Shelburne Shopping Park. There is a trailhead located behind the Shelburne Supermarket. Limited parking is also available along Falls Road. Accessible parking is located at the south entrance off Falls Road near the Falls Overlook. A sign notes the entrance near the bridge on Falls Road.

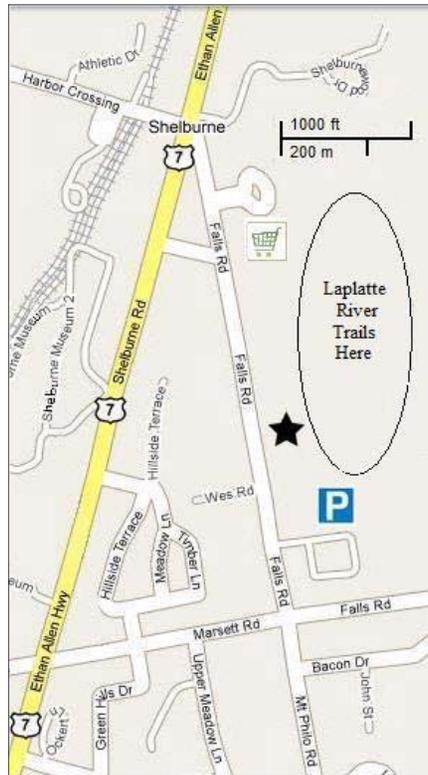
Pets are welcome, but must be under owner control and kept out of the community gardens. Please pick up after your pet. This park has a "pack it in, pack it out" policy, so please plan accordingly.



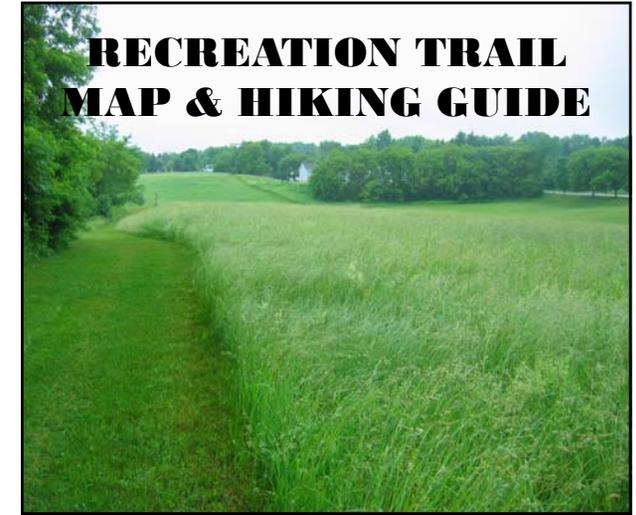
## Directions to LaPlatte Nature Park

From Burlington and points north of Shelburne, take Route 7 South into the Town of Shelburne. At the light in the center of the village, turn left onto Falls Rd; go past the Shelburne Supermarket Shopping Center and look for the meadow on your left. Go past the Post Office and turn left onto LaPlatte Circle. Parking is available at the community gardens.

Traveling from south of Shelburne, follow route 7 North to the traffic light just south of the Shelburne Museum. Turn right onto Marsett Rd. Follow Marsett to the a Four-way stop and turn left onto Falls Road.



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# LAPLATTE NATURE PARK TRAILS



**SHELBURNE FALLS OVERLOOK**  
*In memory of*  
**Hudson Holland IV**

Shelburne Falls has played a major role in the history of Shelburne. Ira Allen built a saw mill and grist mill around 1786 and also built the first log bridge over the LaPlatte River. The mills served the Town until the early 1920's. The Flood of 1927 swept away the grist mill, dams, and bridge into the LaPlatte River.

Today there are few remains of the early business foundations along the River, but the scenery is impressive and the new Falls Overlook marks a welcoming entrance to the trails along the River and near the Falls. The Overlook was constructed in 2012 with funds donated in memory of Hudson Holland IV. Along with the Overlook, a trail project was completed linking a continuous trail from the north end of the Park to the south end.

