that you can safely enjoy the outdoors if you maintain a distance of 6 feet or more from other people. We welcome you on our land! And as more people seek outdoor time for recreation and relaxation, please remember to clean up after your visit, and if the trailhead parking is full, seek another destination.

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The Upper Valley Land Trust is known for being one of the few area land conservancies that utilize volunteers for monitoring trailenvetements. Alex Medlicott and Kristi Medill are among those monitoring volunteers who became a part of the team in 2016. Alex and Kristi conserved their Ferriount homestead in 2012 and later found themselves wanting to support the cause of conservation with something more. The Hewes Brook, an easement with public access, located just down the road from the Ohana facility operated by the Hulbert Outdoor Center. Wht Riv Jct, VT

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