Scenic Resources & Unique Environments

1. RIVERVIEW PICNIC AREA
2. NORTHFIELD MTN RECREATION AREA
3. KIDDS ISLAND
4. MUNNS FERRY
5. CRAG MOUNTAIN
6. BRUSH MOUNTAIN
7. MINOT BROOK
8. ALDERBROOK MEADOW
9. BUSH MOUNTAIN
10. HOBO FALLS TRAIL
11. BENNETT BRIDGE
12. BENNETT MEADOW
13. KING PHILLIPS HILL
14. RICHARDSON-ZLOGAR CABIN
15. BURTON MEADOW
16. NORTHFIELD GOLF COURSE
17. WOODS MEADOW
18. LINDSAY MEADOW
19. WILLIAM MEADOW
20. WEST NORTHFIELD PLAYGROUND

Historic
Recreation
Scenic
Historical Cemetery

Cultivated/Hay/Pasture
Impervious Surface

New England Trail
Road
Rail Line
Transmission Line
River, Stream
Water Body

Priority Habitats for Rare & Endangered Species**

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*Maps as of 2019

Sources: Map produced by the Franklin Regional Council of Governments Planning Department. GIS data sources include MassDOT, MassGIS and FRCOG. Depicted boundaries are approximate and are intended for planning purposes only, not to be used for survey.

Scenic and Unique Resources point data provided by the Town of Northfield Open Space Committee.

Town of Northfield
Open Space & Recreation Plan 2019-2020

September 2020

Protected Open Space

Permanent Protection
- State Owned
- Private Owned:
  - Agricultural Preservation Restriction
  - Conservation Restriction

Limited Protection
- Cemetery
- Town Owned
- Water Company District
- PVRSI
- W. Northfield Playground

Temporary Protection
- Chapter 6A
- Chapter full
- Chapter 6b

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Depicted boundaries are approximate and are intended.
Post updated trail maps, opportunities for stewardship volunteers, and educational events on Nextdoor or local forums.

Continue to prioritize chapter 61 areas for the town to preserve should the land be removed from chapter 61.

Help provide land protection and estate planning information to landowners in the region.

Improve the shoreline access just north of the boat ramp at Pauchaug Brook for kayak/canoe launching.

Maintain the Mill Brook trail, repairing stream and wetland crossings, and manage for invasive species.

Build a path connecting Schell Bridge to Pauchaug Boat Ramp

Build a canoe/kayak launch at Bennett Meadows Wildlife Management Area.

Propose accessible river-front walkways and river-viewing stations.

Increase access for swimming in the Connecticut River, working toward a riverside park.

Work on protecting areas identified by residents and/or BioMap2/ the Northfield Greenprint as high priority.
1. Mill Brook area.
2. Crag Mountain; access to the New England National Scenic Trail.
3. Any areas along the river that become available.
4. Any land along Louisiana Brook that becomes available.
5. Beers Mountain historic/ scenic viewpoint area.
6. Bald Hills Area; ecologically important as wildlife corridor, scenic views.

Promote the Pioneer Valley Regional School Land Management Plan that encourages conservation, open-air educational options, and recreation on the school’s land.