

## Trail Signage Policy

### Policy:

Signage at the trailhead and throughout the trail should be used to inform and educate trail users. Properly located signs can be an indicator of location, distance, property boundaries or restricted uses, preventing unwanted conflicts, or confusion. Listed below are some objectives for trail signage. Town staff must approve all signs

Signs should be consistent with those used throughout the Town.

- Signs should be legible; this includes typography, vocabulary, and other design elements.
- Signs should inform users of the trail's use types, direction, location of the trail, location of private property, or other information that can assist and inform trail users.
- Signs should be low maintenance and be capable of withstanding extreme weather conditions and abuse.
- Signs should not obstruct the trail or natural scenery. Informational signs can be grouped together at the trailhead while warning signs should be located to give trail users a chance to react.
- Overuse of signs can diminish the natural effect while under use can leave the trail user confused.
- Carsonite with trail use indicators, rot resistant wood or stone should be used to maintain the most natural appearance

Trail Signs should adhere to the following design and installation specifications:

- Posts should be 8' x 6"x 6", rough cut Douglas Fir, 3/4" crown at top, stained oxford brown, post are buried 2 1/2 feet in the ground.
- Trail recreation use indicators and informational signs should be marked with 3"x 3" icons (white on brown background), sourced from Rock Art Signs (<https://rockartsigns.com/d72/marketing/full-product-catalogs/rockart-product-catalog>) or equivalent source.
- Town of Blue River logo shall be 3"x 3" in size and located at the top of the post.
- Trail recreation use indicators shall be placed vertically on the post below the Town of Blue River logo in the following order:
  - General information and trail identification as needed, e.g. Stay of Trail, Entering Private Property, Public Access Thru Private Property, name of trail, etc.
  - Allowed summer use, then winter use, then prohibited uses at the bottom.

Recommended Town of Blue River Trail Sign

