# The Future Depends on You!



## Friends of the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail

# All Season Travel on the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail

Completed in 1998, the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail is the longest rail trail in Vermont. It stretches 26½ miles through Franklin County from St. Albans, through Sheldon and Enosburg, to Richford. Efforts are underway in Richford to link the Trail to Canada's extensive bicycle network.

**Features.** The trail's path crosses slightly rolling terrain through Northern Vermont's best known resources -- its agricultural farmland and picturesque river valleys. The crushed limestone surface allows for year-round activities. It's perfect for a half-day family trip or a longer weekend adventure.

Allowed Uses on the trail include biking, walking, running, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, and snowshoeing. Four-wheelers, ATVs, dirt bikes, and other motorized wheeled vehicles are prohibited on the trail. Motorized wheelchairs and similar vehicles are permitted.

Management. The Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail is owned by the State of Vermont and maintained by the Department of Forest, Parks, and Recreation, the Vermont Agency of Transportation, and countless volunteers. The Northwest Vermont Rail Trail Council advises the State on management and use issues.



We invite you to travel the trail and take advantage of opportunities to picnic, fish, launch a canoe, visit a neighbor, and enjoy the countryside.



# NW Vermont Rail Trail Council Working for the Future

The Northwest Vermont Rail Trail Council is a non-profit organization. Its members represent communities along the trail as well as regional organizations and local businesses. The Council assists trail users, helps develop long-term plans for trail amenities, and works to ensure local interests are represented in trail issues.

The Council needs your help to make the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail a premier national example of a community-based trail. The Vermont Agency of Transportation funded the trail's construction. However, ongoing maintenance and trail improvements are a shared responsibility between the State, local communities, the Rail Trail Council, and everyone who supports or uses the trail.

Visit our website and learn more! www.nrpcvt.com then click on 'related links'.

## Come on Board! Become a "Friend of the Trail"

You can do your part to help the trail grow as an asset for Franklin County and the region by becoming a *Friend of the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail*. As a Friend, you'll benefit through:

- invitations to special trail activities
- a subscription to the twice-a-year newsletter, Trail Tracks
- invitations to participate in the annual meeting of the Rail Trail Council
- the satisfaction of supporting a terrific community resource

In addition, your support will:

- construct and make improvements to parking areas
- provide matching funds required by grant applications
- support minor trail maintenance and repairs
- sponsor events and workshops
- support volunteers at work on the trail

### **Membership Categories**

(All rates for a one-year membership)

Passenger	\$15
FamilyIncludes 2 adults and	
Conductor	\$50+

# Yes, I'm coming aboard to join the other supporters of the Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail!

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#### Please make checks payable to: Northwest Vermont Rail Trail Council

## Enclose this page in an envelope and send to:

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Your contribution is tax deductible under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Have you visited the trail?YesN	10
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