



Green Mountain National Forest

Robert Frost Interpretive Area

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Trail Facts:

Length: 1.2 mile loop	Feature: Poetry, Views, Berry Picking
Max. Elevation Change: 30 feet	USGS maps: East Middlebury Quad
Amount of use: Heavy	Hiking level: Easy
Average trip time: ½ – 1 hour loop	

Description:

Wayside: The Robert Frost Wayside is a picnic area in a stand of red pine trees located on Route 125. There are picnic tables and grills scattered through the area and a handicap accessible vault toilet. **Drinking water is not available.** The Forest Service and State of Vermont maintain bulletin boards on site, with area information posted.

Hiking Loops: This trail is a National Recreation Trail that commemorates Robert Frost’s poetry. Several of his poems are mounted along the trail in the woods and fields. Blueberries, raspberries, and huckleberries grow in an old field at the far end of the trail. The Forest Service maintains the old fields along this trail with prescribed burns to preserve the scenic, open appearance of the area. The trail is an easy walk. The first 0.3 miles crosses a boardwalk over a beaver pond and goes out to the South Branch of the Middlebury River. The boardwalk section is accessible and suitable for wheelchairs. Please practice Leave No Trace ethics, such as carry out what you carry in.

Directions:

From Middlebury, travel south on Route 7 to where it intersects with Route 125. Travel east on Route 125 for 5.8 miles. The parking areas on the right (Hiking Loops) and left (Wayside).

From Rochester, travel north on Route 100 to its intersection with Route 125. Travel west on Route 125 for 9.9 miles. Parking areas are on the right (Wayside) and left (Hiking Loops).

Nearby Destinations and Attractions:

- Texas Falls Recreation Area
- Moosalamoo Campground
- Water Tower Cross-Country Ski Trails

Notes:

- Dogs must be on a leash at all times.
- Day Use Only – 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM.
- There is no garbage service.

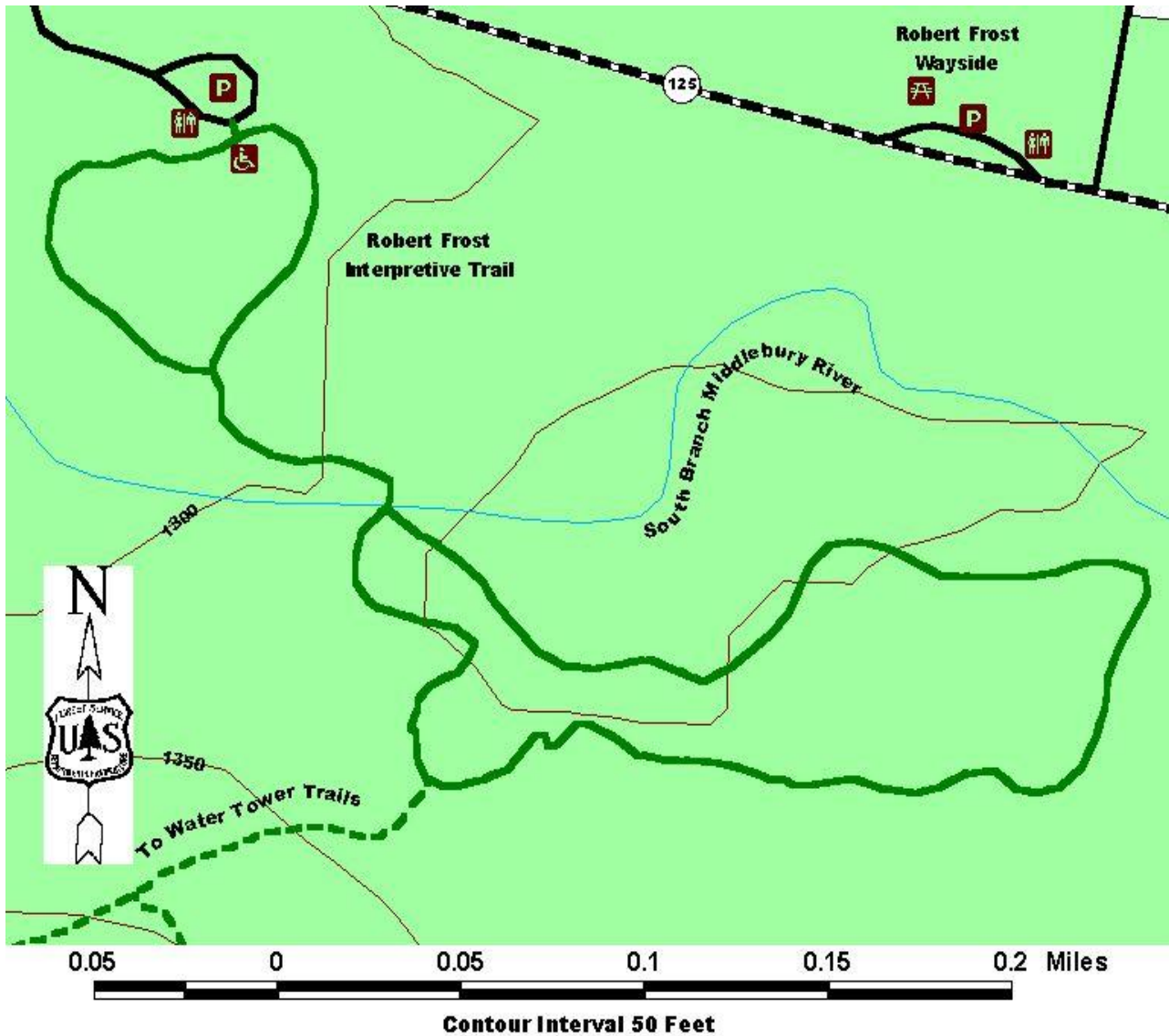
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Area Services:

Food and Services: Middlebury restaurants and fuel stations
For all Emergencies: 911
911 Information: The trailhead is in the Town of Ripton, on Route 125

Map:



For More Information:

Middlebury Ranger District, 1007 Route 7 South, Middlebury, VT 05753, (802) 388-4362
 Rochester Ranger District, 99 Ranger Rd., Rochester, VT 05767, (802) 767-4261

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