

# Duxbury Sidewalk & Bike Path Committee

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# History and Mission

In July 2003 the Board of Selectmen created the SWBPC.

*The purpose of the committee is to develop and implement a long-range plan for a walk/bike path network in conjunction with the Open Space & Recreation Committee's Five-Year Action Plan and the Town's Comprehensive Plan.*

## **Mission**

To promote, encourage, and facilitate the creation of more walking and bike paths where people of all abilities may walk, jog or bicycle in Duxbury to improve:

Public Safety

Sense of Community

Local Business

Traffic Flow

Green Transportation

Healthy Recreation

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**Quality of Life**

# Scope of the Problem

Duxbury is tied for **last** place in sidewalk coverage within the Metropolitan Planning Organization (approximately within the confines of Interstate 495).

*Main Roads – 1% Coverage*

*Local Roads – 6% Coverage*

*Only 0.6% of residents walk to work*

*The Boston Region's Pedestrian Transportation Plan, 2010,*  
Appendix B – Sidewalk Coverage by Municipality (2007)

<https://www.mapc.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/PedPlanFullReport.pdf>



# Projects

- Alden Street Path
- Railroad Avenue Path
- St. George Street Crosswalk
- Duxbury Crosstown Path linking schools (path name TBD)
- Washington Street Paths
- Hall's Corner (Sounding Board Plan Options)
- Lincoln Street Development Waiver?

# Resources

- *Envision Duxbury – Comprehensive Master Plan* by the Duxbury Planning Department and Town Planner Valerie Massard
- Safe Routes to School Grant Program
- Complete Streets Grant Program
- Planning Organizations and Councils







# St. George Street, Railroad Avenue, and Alden Street







**Alden St. looking west c. 2015**



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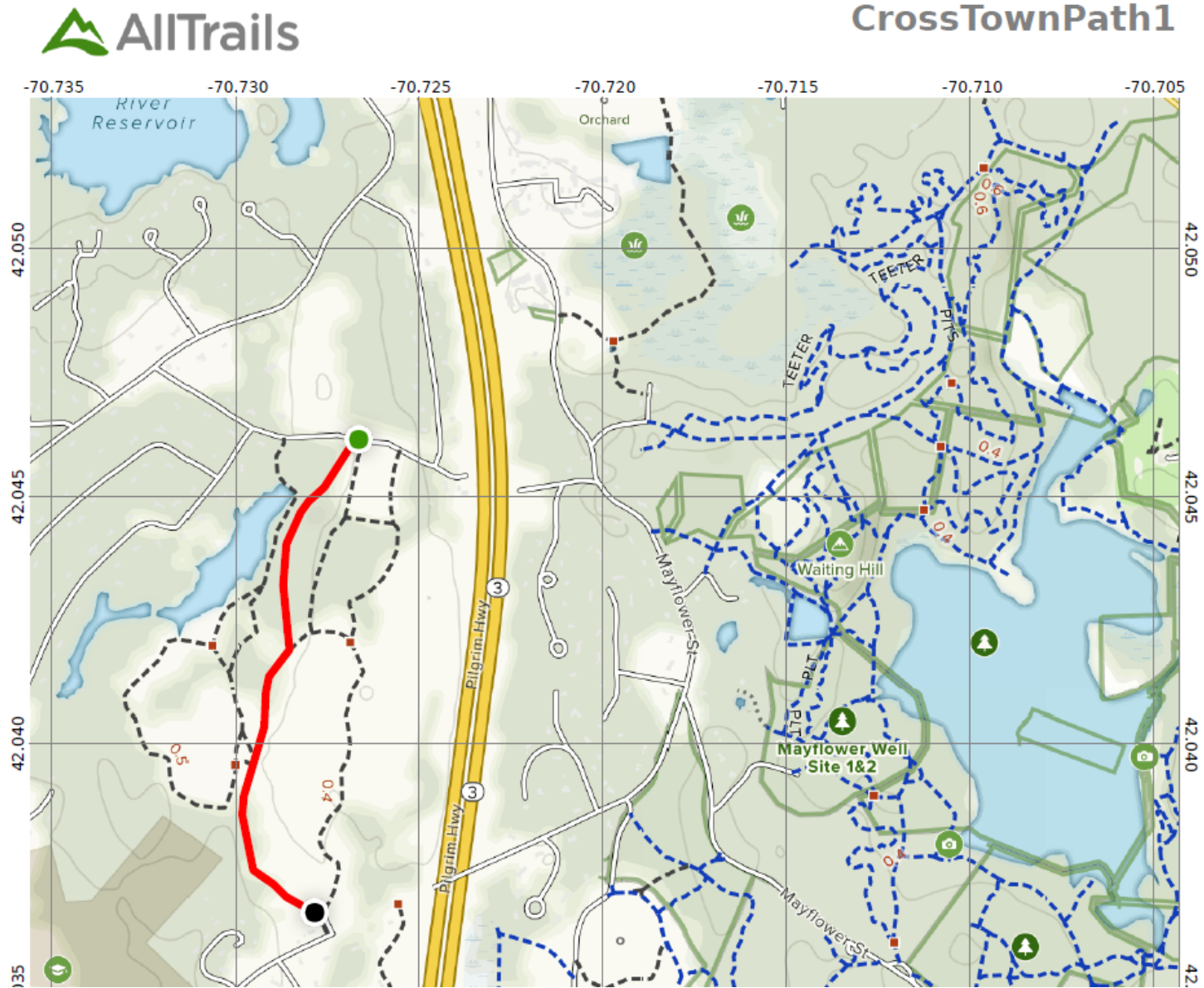




Crosswalk from St. George Street  
Railroad Ave. looking south



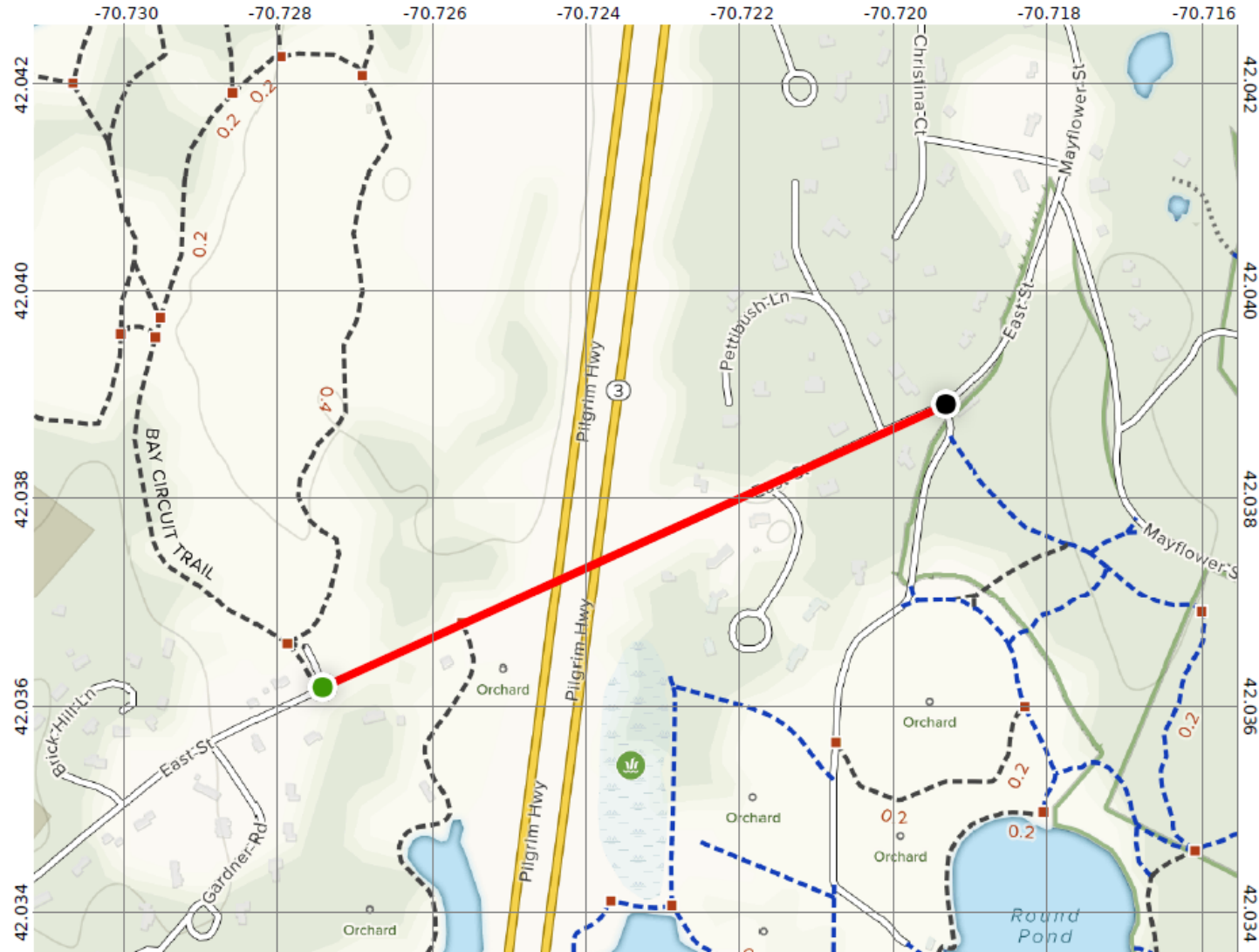
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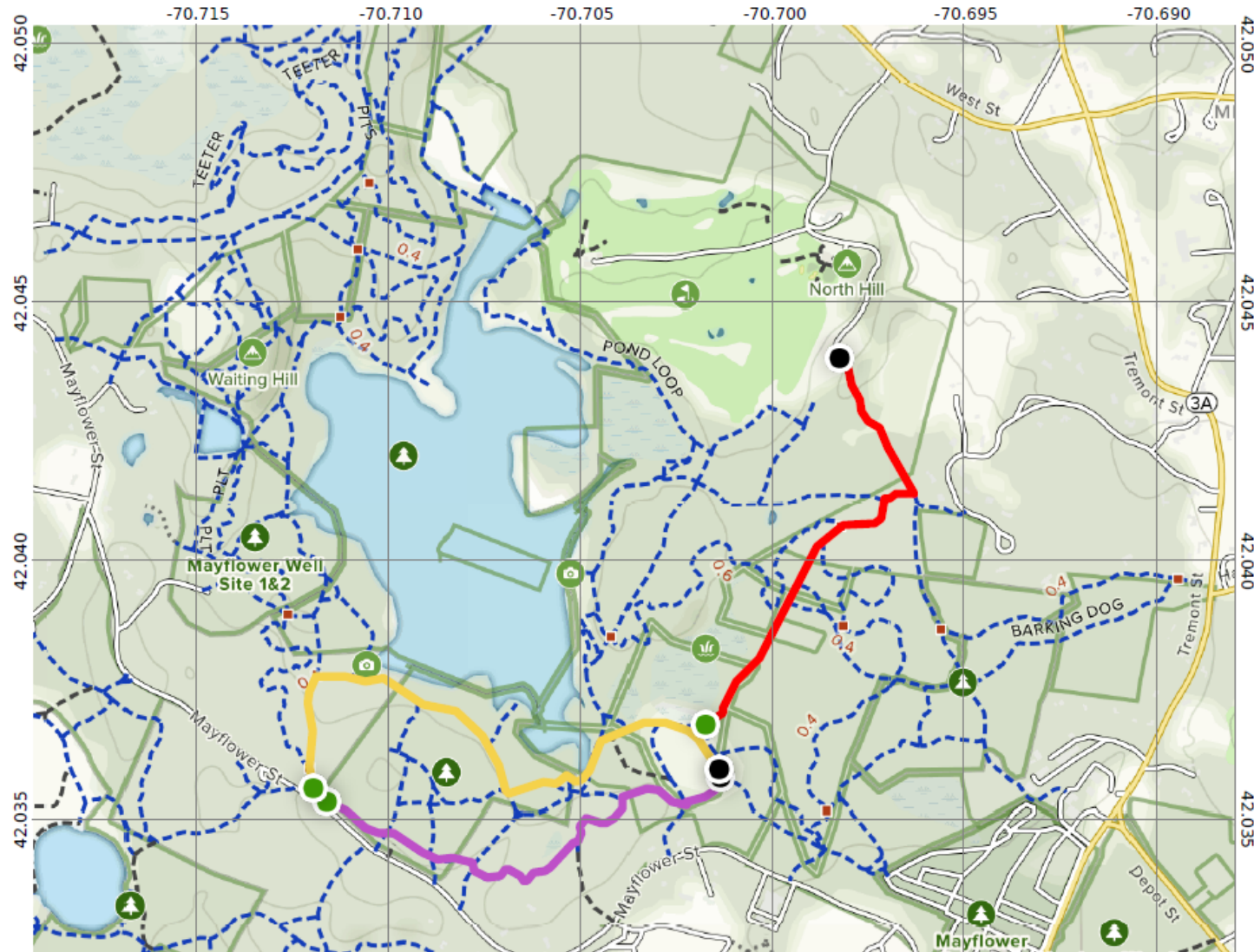
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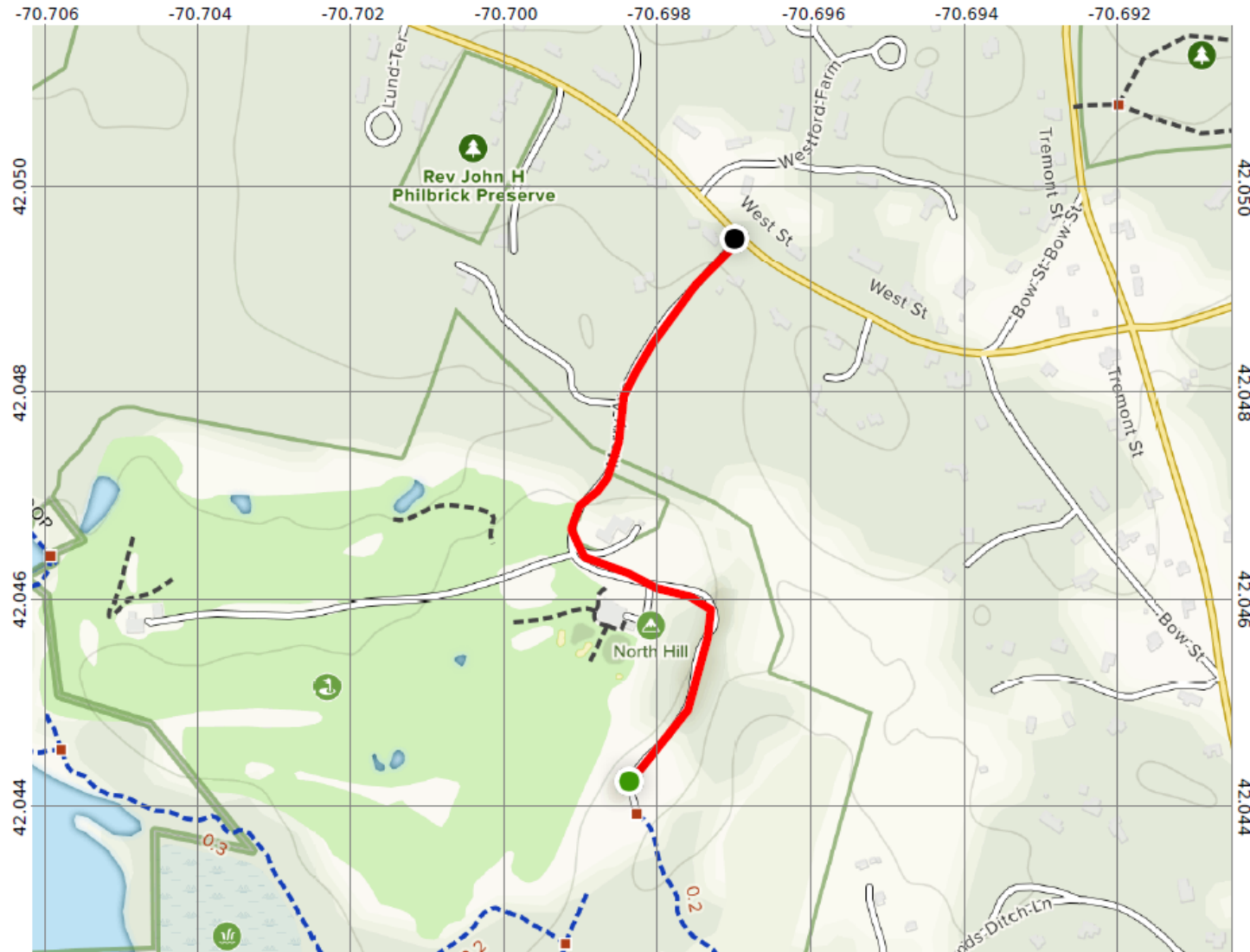




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# Partnerships

- Duxbury Town Path Council, Inc. – Director Elaine Philbrick

Facebook page: [facebook.com/duxburypathcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/duxburypathcouncil)

GoFundMe Charity page:

<https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/washington-street-pedestrian-path1/duxburytownpathcouncilinc>

- Rotary Club and other local organizations

# Links

MassDOT Municipal Resource Guide for Walkability (July 2018)

[https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/09/17/MunicipalResourcesGuideForWalkability\\_2018-08-24.pdf](https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/09/17/MunicipalResourcesGuideForWalkability_2018-08-24.pdf)

Duxbury Sidewalk and Bike Path Committee Web Page on Town Website:

<https://www.town.duxbury.ma.us/sidewalkbike-path-committee>

Duxbury Sidewalk and Bike Path Committee Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/DSBPC/>

# Discussion