

SECTION 6: KENDALL FARM ROAD TO SOUTH ROAD

SNAPSHOT:

This section includes a little bit of everything: unplowed roads, a short stretch of snowmobile trail, a 0.25-mile road walk, and long stretches of ungroomed trail through the Green Mountain National Forest. There is one long climb on a snowmobile trail and one steep, switch-backing descent to Rte. 30. Otherwise the terrain is generally level, with some gentle ups and downs. Be alert for temporary detours due to scheduled logging.

LENGTH: 9.0 miles

DIFFICULTY:

Except for the steep descent to Rte. 30, this section is easy to ski. Except for the 0.5 mile stretch on a snowmobile trail it is all ungroomed. Allow sufficient time if breaking trail through the usually deep snow. The intersection of Rte. 30 and French Hollow Rd. provides an intermediate bail-out point for breaking this section into two.

DIRECTIONS TO TRAIL

ACCESS/EXIT POINTS (south to north):

1. Kendall Farm Rd. - Winhall

From the Rte. 11/Rte. 30 intersection near Bromley Mountain, go approximately 6.5 miles south on Rte. 30 and turn right (south) on Kendall Farm Rd. From Bondville, travel 1 mile north on Rte. 30 and turn left (south) on Kendall Farm Rd. Travel 2.2 miles on Kendall Farm Rd. to the end of plowing.

2. Upper French Hollow Rd. - Winhall

From the intersection of Rtes. 11 and 30 just west of Bromley Mountain, head south on Rte. 30 for 1.6 miles to French Hollow Rd. Turn left on French Hollow Rd. and continue straight onto Upper French Hollow Rd. Park at the end of plowing but do not block any driveways or the snowplow turn around. The northbound CT heads into the woods directly in front of you. To ski southbound on the CT either walk back to Rte. 30 on French Hollow Rd. or ski along the shoulder. The southbound CT heads into the woods on the south side of Rte. 30 about 0.1 mile east of the Rte. 30/French Hollow Rd. intersection.

2. South Rd. - Peru

A CT parking area is located on South Rd. in Peru. To reach this parking area, from Rte. 11 in Peru, take South Rd. 1.5 miles south. A plowed parking area is clearly evident. The CT crosses South Rd. just after the parking area.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION:

From **Kendall Farm Rd. (0.0)** ski north on an unplowed road that leads to the town sand and gravel pits. Turn **left (west) off the road (0.5)** and through some dense saplings. The Trail skirts around the south and west side of a small softwood wetland and then turns left (northwest). The Trail climbs gradually through deciduous woods on an old logging road, crosses a stream, then a power line right-of-way, and intersects a **snowmobile trail (1.5)**. Use caution at this intersection because snowmobile traffic can be heavy, especially on weekends. Turn right (northeast) onto the snowmobile trail and immediately cross a bridge. Immediately after the bridge, turn sharply left on a wide logging road (FR 338) that is also a snowmobile trail. Ski uphill (northwest) on FR 338 approximately 1.2 miles, taking time to enjoy the great views of Stratton Mountain. Leave the snowmobile trail by turning right (north) off FR 338 onto a narrower **logging road (2.8)**. Ski

north on this level logging road to a **log landing (3.5)**. Leave the logging road and head north-northwest through beech and maple forest. At this section's highest point, the Trail turns abruptly right (east) for a steep, twisting downhill to **Rte. 30 (4.8)**.

The CT continues northbound from the upper (northern) end of French Hollow Rd. To get there, turn left (west) on Rte. 30 and walk 50 yards or so to the intersection with French Hollow Rd. Turn right (north) and ski or walk along the side of French Hollow Rd. and Upper French Hollow Rd.

From the end of **Upper French Hollow Rd. (5.3)**, ski north on unplowed FR 314, passing along and through some open areas. At the end of the last of these, bear to the right and ski gradually down to the first of **three small bridges (6.0 to 6.3)** built by University of Vermont students in 2002. After the third bridge, go over a knoll near a large beaver activity area, then go generally uphill along a logging lane, crossing an **access road near a log landing** on the right (**6.9**). To the left, the access road goes to Old Manchester Road, which connects to Rt. 11. Cross the access road and head northeast and downhill, through a spruce plantation, and out to **South Rd. (9.0)**. The parking lot is right near where the CT crosses South Rd.

DISTANCE TO LANDMARKS:

Mileage Northbound	Landmark	Mileage Southbound
0.0	Kendall Farm Rd.	9.0
0.5	Left off gravel pit road	8.5
1.5	Snowmobile trail intersection	7.5
2.8	FR 338/log road intersection	6.2
3.5	Log landing	5.5
4.8	Rte. 30	4.2
5.3	Upper French Hollow Rd.	3.7
6.0	First small bridge	3.0
6.9	Access road near log landing	2.1
9.0	South Rd.	0.0

SIDE TRAILS AND LOOPS:

No side trails or loops have been identified for this section of the CT