Public Meeting Regarding Carrabassett Valley Mountain Bike Trail Development

4:30 p.m. December 30th, 2015 at the Carrabassett Valley Library

<u>Trail Committee:</u> Peter Smith (CRNEMBA), Charlie Woodworth (MH&T), Dave Cota (Town of C V), Deb Bowker (Rec. Dir. Town of CV), Tom Butler (Sugarloaf Representative), Josh Tauses (Town Trail Supervisor; also CRNEMBA Trail Master).

Welcome/Moderator: Dave Cota, Carrabassett Valley Town Manager

The focus of our area mountain bike trail development program in the past five years has been to create a significant and sustainable trail network consisting of both mountain bike specific and multi-use backcountry trails for all ages and abilities in the immediate area of the Sugarloaf Outdoor Center and Maine Huts and Trail's (MH&T) Poplar Stream and Stratton Brook Huts. Much has been accomplished through an extensive collaboration between the Carrabassett Region Mountain Bike Club (CRNEMBA), the Town of Carrabassett Valley and MH&T, other contributors (Sugarloaf Mt.) and generous land owners. As we move forward with continued trail development we wish to seek input from trail users and Carrabassett Valley residents and property taxpayers. We are hopeful that this public meeting and related survey will help provide that.

In addition to hearing from the public at this meeting we encourage interested parties to complete a "Survey Monkey" that will be accessible on the Town's Website (www.carrabassettvalley.org) following this meeting.

Presentations: (35 minutes)

- History of Trail Development (including collaborative effort, 5- yr. financial investments, accomplishments to date): Dave Cota
- o Current Mt. Bike Trail Inventory (mileage, classifications): Peter Smith
- o CRNEMBA History and Trail Development Involvement: Peter Smith
- o MH&T History and Trail Development Involvement: Charlie Woodworth
- Sugarloaf Mt. Bike Trail Involvement: Tom Butler
- Outline of Projected and Proposed Mt. Bike Trail Development: Dave Cota
 - Funding: (estimated \$156,592 for 2016)
 - List of Committed Projects for 2016: (\$100,000)
 - Newton' Revenge/Campbell Field (Estimated \$50,000)
 - Finish 'Toad', 'Buckshot' and 'Hurricane' Trails (\$50,000)

<u>Audience Participation in "Mind Map Exercise":</u> (45 minutes): Break-out into groups to discuss and prioritize the following: (Instructions will be provided).

- o What do you like about our mountain bike trail system?
- o What existing trail concerns do you have??
- o What is lacking in our trail system??
- o What kinds of trail and trail improvements do you consider to be of higher priority??
- o Other Suggestions??

Question and Answer Session: