

Appendix B
Salmon Commission Comments

1. The trail crosses Cathance Stream in the Conservation land. It looks like no bridge is planned. A trail crossing the stream most likely would cause erosion.
2. The trail appears to cross the Dennys mainstem in Conservation land a little below Route 86/trestle. No bridge is planned. A trail crossing the river most likely would cause erosion. Crossing will be tough except under very low water conditions.
 - a. The trail skirts both sides of the Dennys mainstem from the Salmon Club/Cathance Stream area up to near Route 86.
 - b. The trail will need to be set back far enough from the river to prevent erosion.
3. The terrain in parts of this area slopes steeply down to the river and the trail will have to be designed properly if it is in one of these steep areas.
4. The trail skirts one side of Cathance Stream. In this area the trail will need to be set back from the stream far enough and properly designed to prevent erosion.
5. General: I assume minimal clearing will take place, but riparian vegetation, particularly large trees, should be left intact. Fallen trees near or in the river should not be cut or moved. Foot bridges should be constructed where the trail crosses minor or intermittent tributaries to keep these systems intact. Measures need to be in place to prevent unauthorized use by ATVs etc. Since this trail links to ATV trails, I see this as an obvious problem waiting to happen.
6. Value added: the trail could have some interpretive signage to highlight areas related to salmon ecology (e.g. this is a riffle-where juveniles live, this is spawning habitat, etc....).