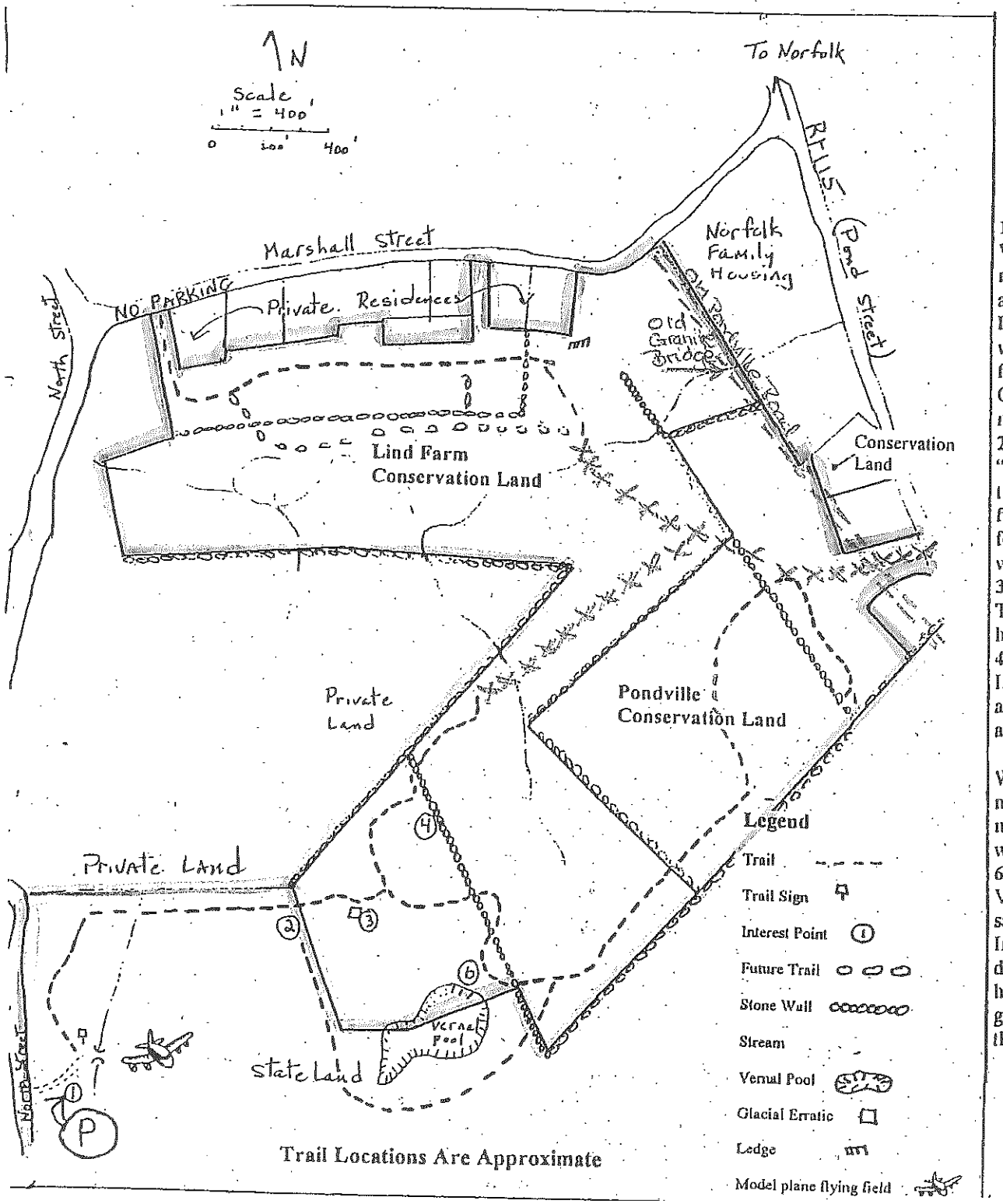

Lind Farm Conservation Land
Pondville Conservation Land

Trail Guide

1: North Street Parking Area and Trailhead

We share this State-owned parking area in Norfolk with members of the model airplane flying club. Please use the trail at the north end of the parking area to access the Lind Land. Look for the sign that marks the beginning of the trail that winds through the woods and goes around the far end of the field. Please do not cross the flying field to access the trails. Cooperative use of this area will protect this lovely wet meadow for everyone to enjoy.

2: Field / Forest Edge.

"Location, location, location!" This is where the action is for the animal real estate market. These edges are lost when the field or forest is developed. Along this path one might see a fox in the early morning, butterflies on a warm afternoon, a woodcock in the early evening, or an owl during the night.

3: Glacial Erratic.

The glaciers carried this large boulder here from perhaps hundreds of miles away.

4: Succession.

In 1800 this was a farm field. Mother nature has moved back and grown a mixture of softwood trees, hardwood trees, shrubs and ferns that provide a diverse home for many animals.

Future Trails/Stewardship Plan.

We have received grant money to construct new trails and trail markers. We also received a grant to develop a forest management plan for the property. Stayed tuned! We welcome your suggestions.

6: Vernal Pool.

Vernal pools are the nurseries for wood frogs and mole salamanders who spend most of their lives in the nearby forest. In the spring this "pond" covers a large area but will be totally dry by the fall. Look for the flood lines on the trees to see how high the water can get. Bright red cranberries carpet the ground in fall, soon to followed by winter snow. In the spring the cycle will start again for the next generation.