

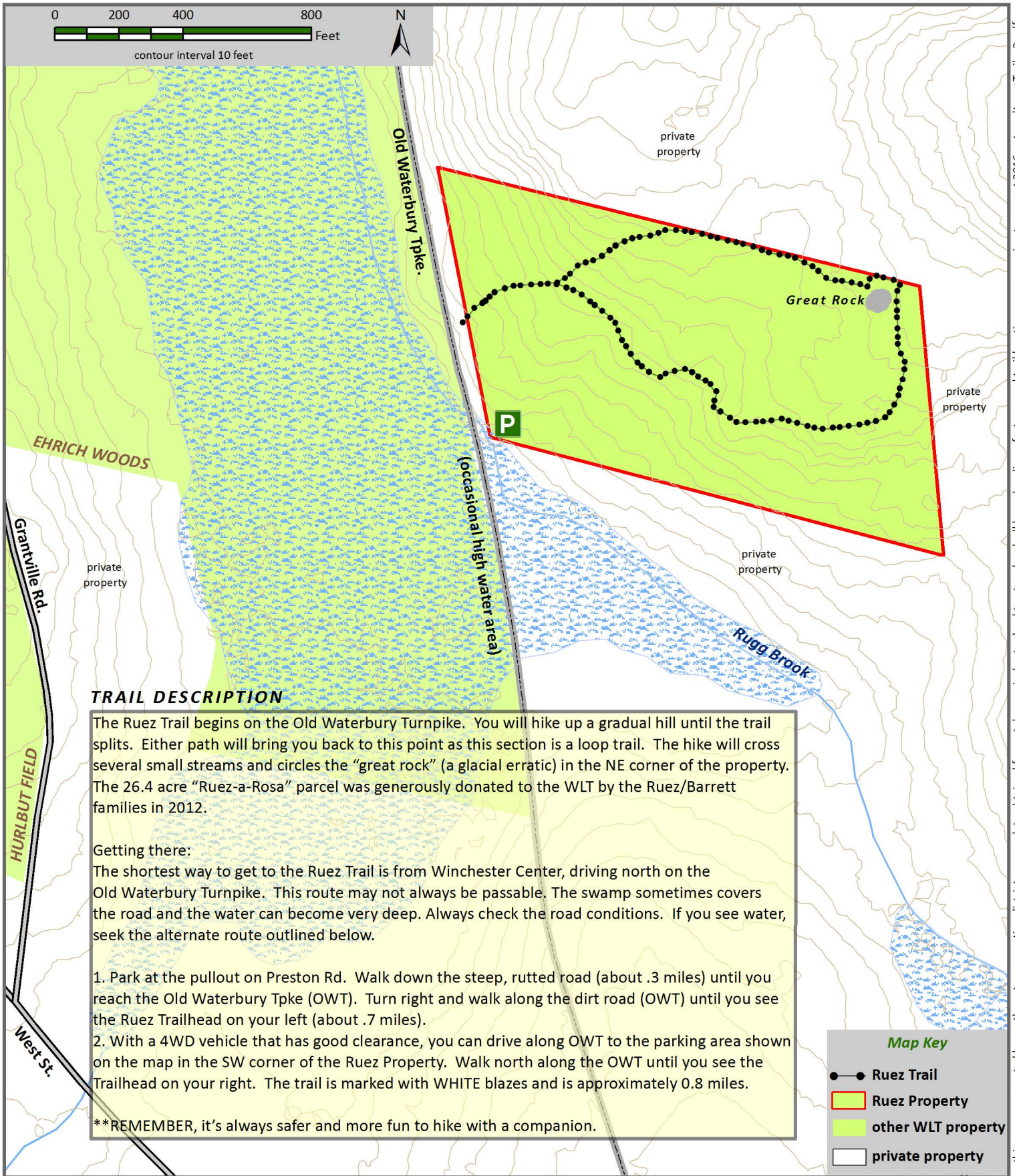


# RUEZ TRAIL (26 acres)

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### TRAIL DESCRIPTION

The Ruez Trail begins on the Old Waterbury Turnpike. You will hike up a gradual hill until the trail splits. Either path will bring you back to this point as this section is a loop trail. The hike will cross several small streams and circles the "great rock" (a glacial erratic) in the NE corner of the property. The 26.4 acre "Ruez-a-Rosa" parcel was generously donated to the WLT by the Ruez/Barrett families in 2012.

#### Getting there:

The shortest way to get to the Ruez Trail is from Winchester Center, driving north on the Old Waterbury Turnpike. This route may not always be passable. The swamp sometimes covers the road and the water can become very deep. Always check the road conditions. If you see water, seek the alternate route outlined below.

1. Park at the pullout on Preston Rd. Walk down the steep, rutted road (about .3 miles) until you reach the Old Waterbury Tpke (OWT). Turn right and walk along the dirt road (OWT) until you see the Ruez Trailhead on your left (about .7 miles).
2. With a 4WD vehicle that has good clearance, you can drive along OWT to the parking area shown on the map in the SW corner of the Ruez Property. Walk north along the OWT until you see the Trailhead on your right. The trail is marked with WHITE blazes and is approximately 0.8 miles.

**\*\*REMEMBER, it's always safer and more fun to hike with a companion.**

**Map Key**

- Ruez Trail
- ▭ Ruez Property
- ▭ other WLT property
- ▭ private property

permitted uses:



walking /hiking



picnicking



wildlife viewing



dogs on leash OK



no hunting



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