VTrans Mapping Section

Changes to Part I and II made by P. DeAndrea, **VTrans** 3/15/2022 per correspondence 2/15/2022

District Certcode 1210-0

CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2022

Fill out form, make and file a copy with the Town Clerk, and submit the Mileage Certificate on or before February 20, 2022 to: Vermont Agency of Transportation, Division of Policy, Planning and Intermodal Development, Mapping Section via email to: aot.mileagecertificates@vermont.gov or if necessary via mail to: VTrans PPAID -Mapping Section, 219 North Main Street, Barre VT 05641.

We, the members of the legislative body of MIDDLESEX

PART I - CHANGES TOTALS - Please fill in and calculate totals. Previous

in WASHINGTON County

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on an oath state that the mileage of highways, according to Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 19, Section 305, added 1985, is as follows:

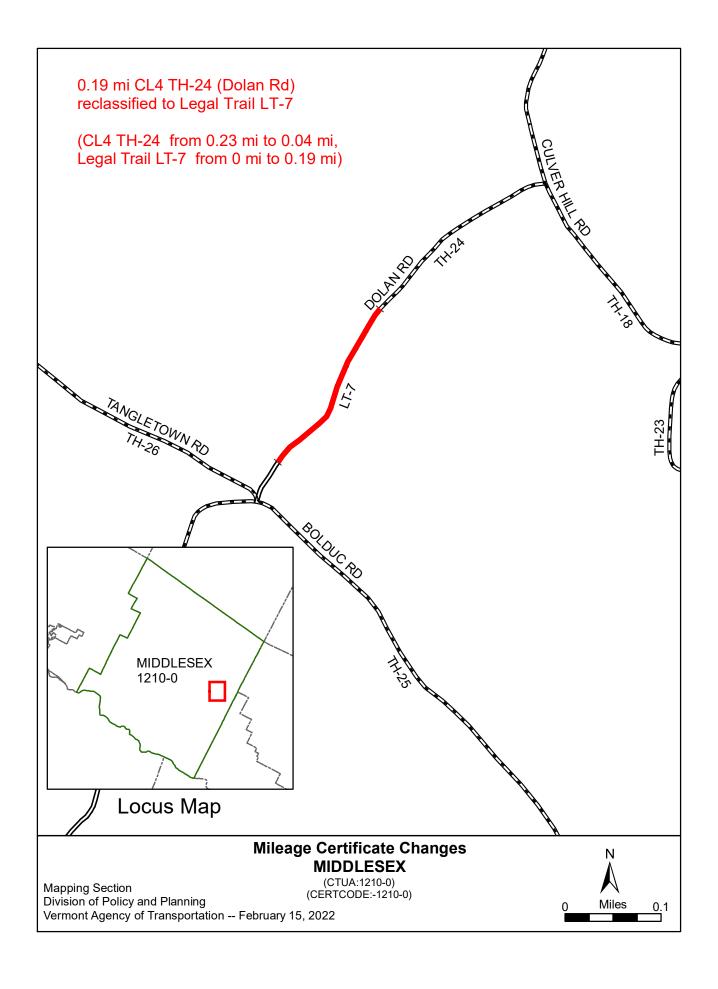
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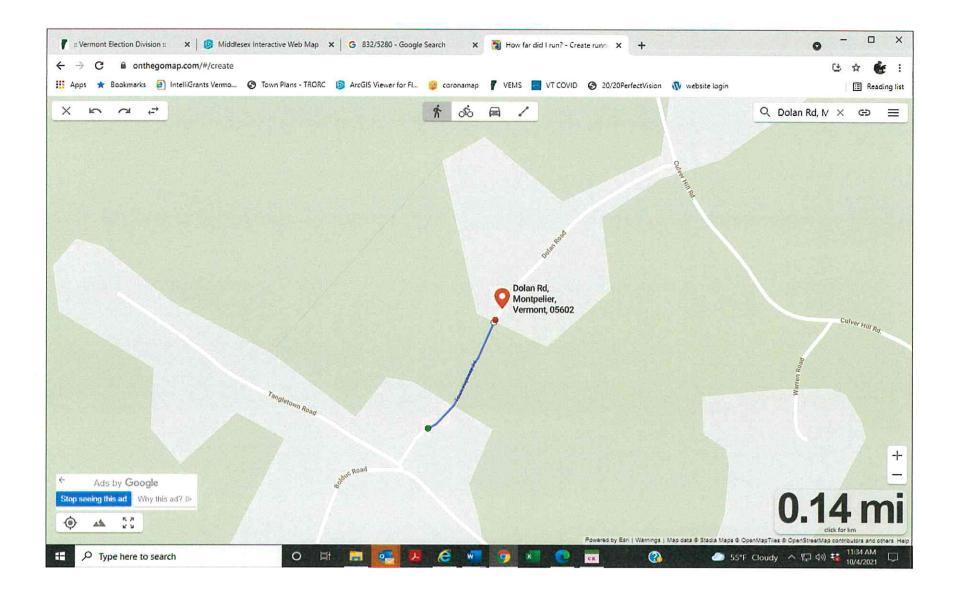
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Class 1					Highways
	0.000				0.000
Class 2	15.920				0.000
Class 3	32.03				0.000
State Highway	16.941				0.000
Total	64.891				0.000
* Class 1 Lane	0.000				
* Class 4	9.33		0.158 0.1	9 9.172	9.14 0.000
* Legal Trail	3.32	0.158		3.478	
* Mileage for Class 1	Lane, Class 4, and Les	gal Trail classifica	tions are NOT includ	ed in total.	
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Representative, Agency of Transportation





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Report of Findings of Town of Middlesex Select Board:
Discontinuance of 832 feet of Dolan Road (TH 24) and Designation as a Legal Trail

This report of findings is produced by the Middlesex Select Board which initiated proceedings to discontinue an 832-foot segment of Town Highway 24, also known as Dolan Road from Class 4 to Legal Trail per 19 V.S.A. §708, et sq.

Procedural History

At the August 17, 2021, Select Board meeting, Middlesex Road Foreman Shane Brickey informed the Board that a portion of Dolan Road is Class 4 and is considered a high-risk connected segment pertinent to the Municipal Roads General Permits (Act 64, the Vermont Clean Water Act) which was passed to prevent road erosion from contaminating Lake Champlain. Shane said if the Class 4 section of Dolan Road is discontinued and designated as a legal trail, it no longer will be considered a connecting segment and will not have to be brought up to Act 64 standards, which would be a great expense to the Town. Shane asked the Board to consider discontinuing this Class 4 portion of Dolan Road. The Board agreed to warn this issue at its September 7, 2021 meeting. (Minutes attached)

On September 7, 2021, as a duly warned agenda item at a regular meeting, the Middlesex Select Board voted to begin the process of discontinuing the Class 4 section of Dolan Road. (Minutes attached.)

At a September 23, 2021 Special Meeting, the Board voted to hold a site visit to Dolan Road on November 2, 2021, followed by a Public Hearing to take public input regarding discontinuing the Class 4 section of Dolan Road. il, per 19 V.S.A. §709. (Minutes attached).

On September 24, 2021, the Public Notice of Site Visits and Public Hearing (attached) was posted in four locations around Town (Town Hall, the Town Clerk's Office, Roots Farm Market, and Rumney School) as well as on the Town's website (screenshot attached), per 19 V.S.A. §709. The Middlesex Planning Commission and VT Department of Forest, Parks and Recreation were also notified of the proposed changes, per 19 V.S.A. §775.

A map of Dolan Road, attached to this Report, showing the segment to be discontinued was posted in the Town Clerk's Office with the pertinent section highlighted, per 19 V.S.A. §709.

Abutting landowners were mailed the Public Notice by certified and regular mail on September 27, 2021. (Sample letter, list of recipient mailing addresses and proofs of service attached.) per 19 V.S.A. §709.

The Public Notice was also published as a legal ad in the September 28, 2021, edition of the <u>Times Argus</u>, the newspaper of record (attached), per 19 V.S.A. §709.

On November 2, 2021, the Select Board visited Dolan Road and subsequently held a public hearing. (Minutes attached.) In addition, correspondence from Rebecca Washburn, Director, Lands Administration and Recreation Division of the State Department of Forest, Parks & Recreation, was read into the record. The letter noted that FP&F offered no comment on the proposed discontinuance.

As a duly-warned Selectboard meeting on December 7, 2021, the Select Board voted and Ordered as follows: that the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Middlesex require discontinuance of an 832-foot-long segment of Dolan Road, such segment being the Class 4 portion of the highway, which segment is further described as beginning 195 feet north/northeasterly of Dolan's Road's intersection with Bolduc and Tangletown Road, and proceeding 832 feet on and along Dolan Road, in a generally north/northeasterly direction.

The Selectboard further designated the above-described discontinued segment of Dolan Road as a legal trail pursuant to 19 V.S.A. §775. The Selectboard's vote and Order was based on the Site Visit and evidence taken at the Public Hearing on November 2, 2021 and upon the following findings:

 Dolan Road (TH 24) contains a Class 4 section of 832 feet that begins 195 feet from the intersection of Bolduc and Tangletown Roads.

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- This section is in a decrepit state, blocked by boulders and too narrow for Town highway equipment to fit. Depending on the season, the road is often covered by water.
- The Select Board is confident that culverts at the end of this section will be able to handle runoff.
- Upgrading this road to Class 4 standards would require extensive work and great expense.
- This segment of road is not traversed by motor vehicles.
- Since hikers and walkers enjoy accessing this road, there is a benefit to designating the discontinued segment of TH 24 as a Legal Trail for recreation purposes.

ORDER: For the public good, necessity and convenience of the inhabitants of Middlesex, the above-described 832-Class 4 section of Dolan Road (TH 24) is hereby Discontinued and designated as a Legal Trail.

Dated December 7, 2021, in Middlesex, Vermont.

ELECT BOARD:

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Peter O. Hood, Chair

Mary Just/Skipners Vige Chair

Philip Hyjek

Steven Martin

Liz Scharf

I attest that the above findings and conclusions were recorded in the Middlesex Town Records on December 7, 2021. Sarah Merriman, Town Clerk/Select Board Assistant

From: clerk@middlesexvermont.org
To: AOT - Mileage Certificates

Subject: RE: Middlesex 2022 Certificate of Highway Mileage
Date: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 12:15:30 PM

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Hi, Pam -

Thank you for refining the details. This looks accurate. Just to clarify, the LT section should start AFTER the driveways.

Otherwise, this is what the Select Board intended,

Sarah

Sarah Merriman Middlesex Town Clerk/Select Board Assistant 5 Church Street Middlesex, Vermont 05602

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From: AOT - Mileage Certificates <AOT.MileageCertificates@vermont.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 10:54 AM

To: clerk@middlesexvermont.org; AOT - Mileage Certificates

<AOT.MileageCertificates@vermont.gov>

Subject: RE: Middlesex 2022 Certificate of Highway Mileage

Hi Sarah,

Thank you for the 2022 Mileage Certificate for Middlesex. Upon mapping the change, I noticed that there needs to be some adjustment to the subtracted and added mileage reported on the certificate. Based on the documentation sent, the section to be reclassified starts 195 feet from the intersection of TH-24 and TH-26. I measured 195 feet from the end of TH-24 and got to about the end of the two driveways (see image below). I therefore began the segment to reclassify to Legal Trail where the two driveways end. The true measure of the section of TH-24 goes from where it intersects with TH-26 and TH-25 in the center of the road and is 0.04 miles (see yellow segment below). The former AOT miles for the entire Class 4

section was 0.23 miles. Therefore, the length of the reclassified section (see blue segment below) would be 0.23 miles -0.04 miles, or 0.19 miles.



Can you please clarify that you agree with my corrections and I can just correct the mileage certificate?

Thank you!

Pam

Pamela DeAndrea (she/her) | AOT GIS Professional III, Mapping Section Vermont Agency of Transportation 219 North Main Street | Barre, VT 05641 802-793-7555 | pam.deandrea@vermont.gov



From: clerk@middlesexvermont.org

Sent: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 2:12 PM

To: AOT - Mileage Certificates < <u>AOT.MileageCertificates@vermont.gov</u>>

Subject: Middlesex 2022 Certificate of Highway Mileage

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Hello,

Please see the Middlesex 2022 Certificate of Highway Mileage with supporting documents. (0.158 mile of Class 4 was discontinued and designated as a Legal Trail this year.)

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