District 8
Certcode 0802-0

## CERTIFICATE OF HIGHWAY MILEAGE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 10, 2023

2/8/2023
VTrans Mapping Section

Fill out form, make and file a copy with the Town Clerk, and submit the Mileage Certificate on or before February 20, 2023 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 CAMBRIDGE

in LAMOILLE

County

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

Town Highways	Previous Mileage	Added Mileage	Subtracted Mileage	Total	Scenic Highw
Class 1	0.000				0.00
Class 2	13.070	La Company		13.070	0.00
Class 3	49.76			49.76	0.00
State Highway	29.126			29.126	2.56
Total	91.956			91.956	2.56
* Class 1 Lane	0.000				
* Class 4	7.48		0.3	7.18	0.00
* Legal Trail	0.00				
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AGENCY OF TRANSPORUSION OF APPROVAL:

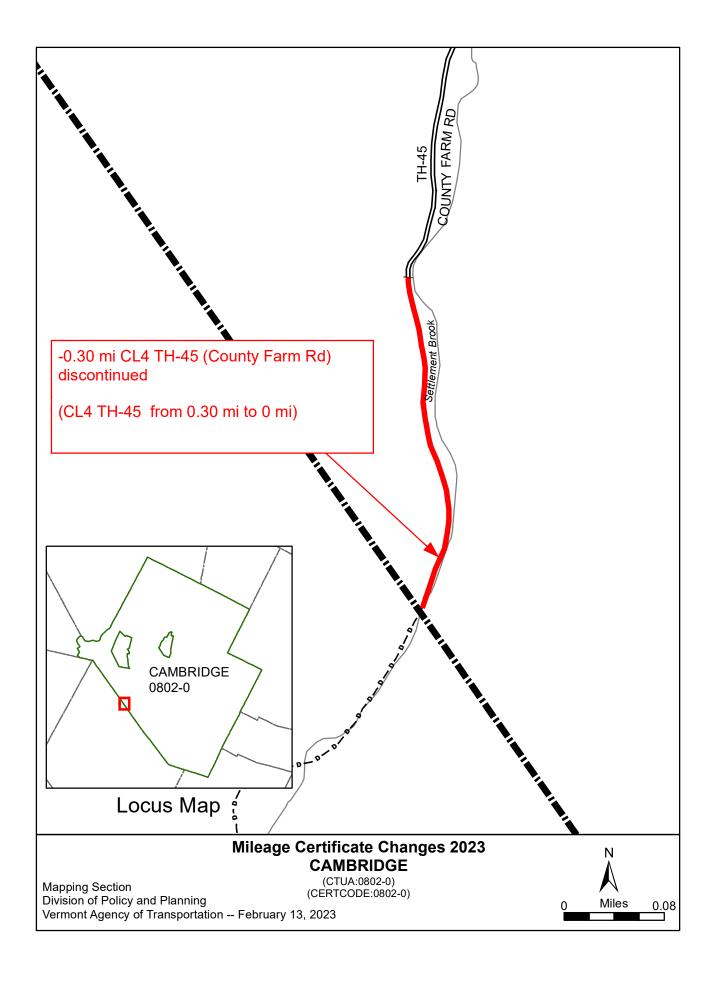
Johnathan Croft

Signed copy will be returned to T/C/V Clerk.

APPROVED:

8B1F350F309C4C9... Representative, Agency of Transportation **DATE:** 4/28/2023

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## TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE, VERMONT ORDER OF DISCONTINUANCE 0.3 MILE, CLASS 4 SECTION OF COUNTY FARM ROAD (TOWN HIGHWAY 45)

WHEREAS, on February 1, 2022, the Town of Cambridge Selectboard, on its own motion, initiated proceedings to consider discontinuing the 0.3-mile Class 4 section of County Farm Road (T.H. 45); and

WHEREAS, notices of the time and date for examining the premises and hearing persons interested were sent in accordance with 19 V.S.A. §§709 and 775, namely by mailing notice via certified mail to each interested person at least thirty days in advance, by giving notice to the Cambridge Planning Commission and the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation, by posting a copy of the notice in the office of the Cambridge Town Clerk, and by causing a copy of the notice to be published in the News and Citizen, a local newspaper of general circulation in the area, not less than ten days before the time set for the hearing; and,

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2022, the Selectboard conducted an examination of the premises; and,

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2022, the Selectboard held a public hearing, where it took testimony regarding whether discontinuing the 0.3-mile, Class 4 section of County Farm Road would serve the public good, necessity, and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Cambridge; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, based upon the inspection and the evidence presented at the hearing, the Cambridge Selectboard makes the following findings of fact:

- 1. County Farm Road runs southerly, approximately 0.9 miles from the intersection of Lower Pleasant Valley Road to the Cambridge-Underhill town line.
- 2. The first 0.6 miles of County Farm Road proceeding from Lower Pleasant Valley Road is designated as Class 3. This Class 3 section terminates at a snowplow turnaround.
- 3. The remaining 0.3 miles of County Farm Road from the Class 3 section and snowplow turnaround to the Cambridge-Underhill town line is designated as Class 4. It is depicted as "unimproved or primitive" on the Vermont General Highway Map for the Town of Cambridge prepared by the Vermont Agency of Transportation, dated June 18, 2015.
- 4. The Class 4 section of County Farm Road is minimally traveled and receives little or no public use. As a Class 4 town highway, this section of County Farm Road receives no maintenance and is not plowed by the Town in the winter.
- 5. There are no bridges on the Class 4 section of County Farm Road and no other infrastructure, such as retaining walls or box culverts in which the Town has made any significant investment of public funds.

- 6. No public resources or assets (e.g., state-owned land or town forest) are served by the Class 4 section of County Farm Road.
- 7. On September 13, 2021, the Town of Underhill discontinued a portion of Butler Lane, also known as Butler Road and Town Highway 11. The discontinued portion was approximately the northern half or 0.3 miles of Butler Lane, ending at the Underhill-Cambridge town line where it formerly connected with County Farm Road. In prior times, County Farm Road and Butler Lane connected Cambridge and Underhill. Like the Class 4 section of County Farm Road, the discontinued portion of Butler Lane was a Class 4 road depicted as "unimproved or primitive" on the Vermont General Highway Map for the Town of Underhill. The discontinuance decision by the Town of Underhill found that two bridges across Settlement Brook in the discontinued section of Butler Lane had been destroyed in the 1930s; that they had not been replaced; and that public travel on the discontinued portion of Butler Lane had ceased at about that time
- 8. With Underhill's decision to discontinue this portion of Butler Lane, County Farm Road now dead-ends at the Cambridge-Underhill town line.
- 9. The Class 4 section of County Farm Road is impassible by standard passenger motor vehicles. Improving the Class 4 section of County Farm Road for pedestrian or motor vehicle travel would require a significant expenditure of Town resources and funds. Discontinuing the Class 4 section of County Farm Road will relieve the Town of any future obligation to maintain or upgrade the road, thereby reducing the burden on Cambridge taxpayers.
- 10. The Class 4 section of County Farm Road does not connect with or provide access to any existing public recreational trails in Cambridge or Underhill. No public benefit would be realized by designating the Class 4 section of County Farm Road as a trail under 19 V.S.A. §775.
- 11. A written objection to discontinuing the Class 4 section of County Farm Road was presented by resident Dick Goff. Mr. Goff suggested that if the Class 4 section of County Farm Road was discontinued, it should be designated a town trail. No other residents presented an objection to the discontinuance. The Cambridge Planning Commission and the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks, and Recreation did not present any objections to discontinuing the Class 4 section of County Farm Road. Duane and Martha Howard, who own the property abutting the Class 4 section of County Farm Road, support discontinuance.
- 12. No party will be entitled to damages due to the discontinuance of the Class 4 section of County Farm Road. Damages are not available in the case of a discontinuance because the abutting property owners are not relinquishing or being deprived of property rights.

WHEREFORE, based on these findings, and pursuant to 19 V.S.A. §710, the Selectboard concludes that discontinuance of the 0.3 mile Class 4 section of County Farm Road (T.H. 45) from the end of the Class 3 section to the Cambridge-Underhill town line will serve the public good, necessity, and convenience of the inhabitants of the Town of Cambridge, and Orders that the 0.3 mile Class 4 section of County Farm Road (T.H. 45) is hereby discontinued. The Class 4 section of County Farm Road shall not be designated as a trail.

This Order and its incorporated findings, together with a copy of the minutes of the Selectboard's April 21, 2022 hearing, shall be filed with the Cambridge Town Clerk for recording. A copy of this Order shall also be mailed, via first-class mail, to each person who received written notice of the Selectboard's April 21, 2022 hearing.

DATED at Cambridge, Vermont this 25th day of May 2022.

TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE SELECTBOARD

George 8. Putnam, Chair

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Lawrence W. Wyckoff

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Member Courtney L. Leitz recused herself and did not participate in this decision.