

Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests Manchester Ranger District

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**Subject:** Velomont Trail – Manchester Ranger District Project Public Open House

I am pleased to invite you to the Velomont Trail - Manchester Ranger District public open house meeting to learn more about this proposed project, ask questions, and provide your input.

The USDA Forest Service, Green Mountain National Forest is holding a public open house meeting for the proposed Velomont Trail – Manchester Ranger District project on Thursday, July 25, 4:30-6pm, at the Manchester Community Library, located at 138 Cemetery Ave. in Manchester Center, Vermont. The Velomont Trail is envisioned as a non-motorized multiple-use trail eventually running the length of Vermont. This project focuses on the portion of the trail proposed to cross the Manchester Ranger District starting in the Dorset area and departing the forest in the town of Wilmington.

I, along with other Forest Service staff, will give a brief presentation about the proposed project. Afterwards, we will reserve some time to answer questions and seek your input to identify potential resource concerns for consideration to improve the overall project design. This meeting is intended as an informal information session. We expect to hold a future public scoping period where formal comments will be accepted in November 2024.

You are welcome to attend this public open house meeting in person or you can join virtually via the link on the project website. Following the meeting, presentation materials will be posted on the project website: <a href="https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=66363">https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=66363</a>

If you have questions or would like more information about the Velomont Trail - Manchester Ranger District project, public open house meeting, or would like to be added to the project mailing list, please contact Danna Strout at USDA Forest Service, 2538 Depot Street, Manchester Center, VT 05255; Danna.Strout@usda.gov; or call at 802-362-2307.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Green Mountain National Forest.

Sincerely,



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