

Sycamore Field Preserve

Trail Distance

Field Trail
1 mile roundtrip

Difficulty:
EASY



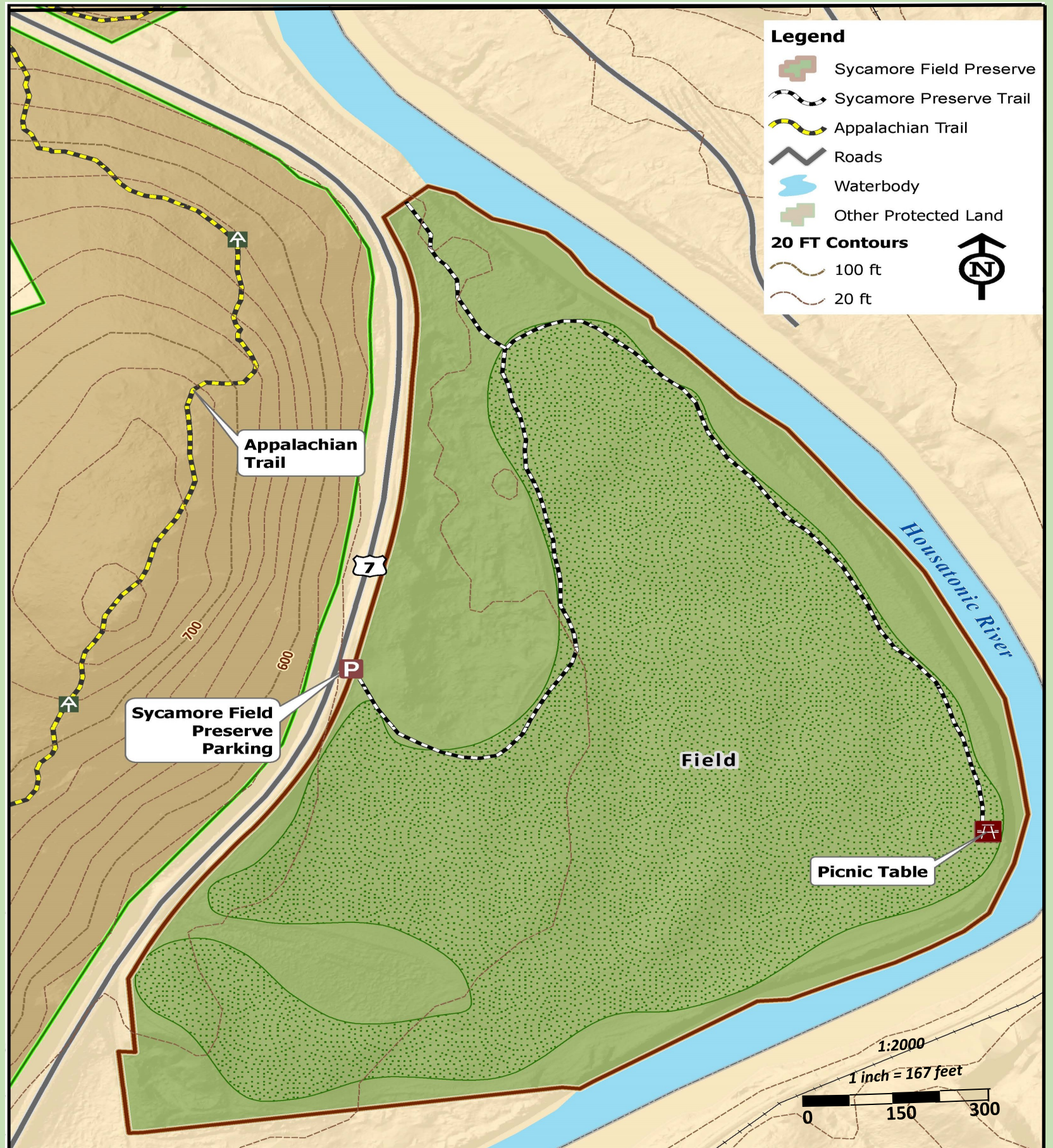
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Sycamore Field, named for the many sycamore trees on the property, is 40 acres along the Housatonic River on Route 7 about 3/8 mile south of the intersection with Route 112. It has 1/2 mile of river frontage.

There is an easy 1 mile round trip trail that follows the field edge heading north and looping around to a picnic table at the edge of the river. Walkers should keep to the field edge from mid-April to mid-October for the benefit of the agriculture crop.

The flat field was formed from layers of sandy, well drained, loam soil that was left over after hundreds of years of periodic flooding of the Housatonic River. The underlying bedrock of the area is layered Gneiss. This is excellent farmland and has been cultivated for generations. Before purchased from the Belter family in 2014 it was farmed by the Lorches.

The purchase was initiated by the Housatonic Valley Association with major funding from the John T. and Jane A. Wiederhold Foundation and from the Natural Resources Damages fund for remediation of PCB damage to the Housatonic River.



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