

## Groener Land CR Monitoring Report 2014

### ACTON CONSERVATION TRUST CR MONITORING REPORT

1. Property name: Groener CR
2. Location (street address): 193 Nagog Hill Road, Acton
3. Date of inspection: October 9, 2014
4. Date of last inspection: October 10, 2013
5. Size in acres: 12.506 acres
6. Year conservation restriction recorded: 2014
7. Owner name: Town of Acton
8. Owner address: 472 Main St., Acton, MA 01720
9. Length of present ownership (years, months): 7 years ago in Sept. 2014.
10. Is owner the grantor?: Yes
11. Did the owner of the property accompany you on the inspection? Yes, Fran Portante, Town of Acton CR Coordinator, accompanied us.

Identify how notice of visit was given or permission obtained:

Susan Mitchell-Hardt, Acton Conservation Trust (ACT), on behalf of the inspection team of Susan Mitchell-Hardt and David Hardt of the Acton Conservation Trust (ACT), emailed and called ahead to Tom Tidman, Town of Acton Director of Natural Resources, and to Fran Portante, Town of Acton CR Coordinator, to schedule the walk on the property for a mutually convenient time.

Describe the details of your inspection (where you walked, etc.)

We proceeded east down the driveway at 191 Nagog Hill Road to the concrete bound with drill hole at the boundary with the house lot at 191 Nagog Hill Road and the CR. We observed a pink and blue flag on a tree near the concrete bound.

We continued east through dry wetlands (due to a drought the wetlands on the CR'd land appeared dry) to the two iron rebars along the property line. The first iron rebar (orange flag attached) is opposite the house and the second is opposite the pool house and behind the tree with the stump. It's painted orange with a blue flag and is approximately 57' east of the first rebar.

We continued east uphill through the oak/pine forest to the interior corner of the CR and found the granite bound with drill hole set near the split oak tree.

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We turned south and walked toward the old cart path marked by a 3 1/2' wood stake. We continued south as far as the stone wall (see plan) where we found the red stake and pink flag.

We continued east along a surveyor's trail heading down slope to the iron pipe at the southeast corner. There was orange flagging above; to the interior (north) were about four glacial erratics.

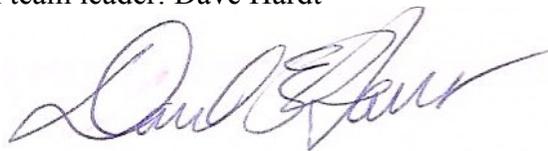
We walked along the eastern boundary of the CR to the northeast corner with the iron pipe with pink flag attached. (Along the way we passed a stone cairn with horizontal stone on top). We felt that the boundary on the north side of the CR with Nagog Hill Conservation Area and east of the tombstone bound were the least likely to be encroached upon as there are no abutters, no trails, and extensive wetlands. Having inspected all the boundaries with privately owned land, we headed in approximately a straight line back to the starting point.

12. Present use of restricted property: Conservation, passive recreation.
13. Note any possible violations of the terms of the conservation restriction (be as specific as possible): None.
14. Present use of abutting properties (including the owner's unrestricted lands): Conservation, passive recreation, residential.
15. Describe examples of uses permitted by the terms of the restriction that have taken place since the last inspection: Passive recreation.
16. Describe any rare or unusual plant or sign thereof: None noted.
17. Additional remarks (particularly as to the present condition of the property).  
There are a number of striking rock formations on the CR'd land.  
The Town might consider creating a trail from Nagog Conservation Area through the CR'd land that would celebrate these interesting stone formations.  
Buckthorn is proliferating in many areas.

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18. Names of monitoring team members:  
David Hardt and Susan Mitchell-Hardt (Acton Conservation Trust), and Fran Portante (Town of Acton, Natural Resources)  
Time spent on property: 1 hour  
Inspection team leader: Dave Hardt

Signature



Date sent: October 21, 2014

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