



ACCESS/PARKING:

- Oscaleta Road, 0.4 mile from the intersection of Oscaleta and West Mountain Roads. [GPS Address: 90 Oscaleta Road]
- Peaceable Hill Road. [GPS Address: 219 Peaceable Hill Road]

DIFFICULTY: Easy. 30 minutes.

FEATURES: The foundation ruins of an old farmhouse dating from the mid-nineteenth century are on this property. Three bridges cross streams and wetlands. One is a boulder bridge likely built by a farmer.

The trail passes by a variety of ferns, rock formations, and a hillside of mountain laurel. A thicket provides habitat for many animals, including deer and red fox.

There is an overlook from the ridge. Wilson Brook runs across the land and flows to Pumping Station Swamp.

HISTORY: Ridgfield purchased this property in 1967 as part of a six-property land bank acquisition. This section of West Mountain Refuge was purchased from James McManus, Sr., by the Town and, when rejected as an elementary school site, became Town open space.

WEST MOUNTAIN REFUGE McManus Section

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