Discover West Roxbury's Urban Wilds by Bike Saturday, May 4, 2013

10:00 am at Bellevue Hill

Join us as we explore the Urban Wilds of West Roxbury by bike. We'll start near the top of the highest hill in Boston, Bellevue Hill, and bike across West Roxbury to Hancock Woods and Leatherbee Woods, then through Brook Farm State Historic Site and Millenium Park to Rivermoor Urban Wild. On our way back up the hill to the starting point, we'll pass the Belle Avenue Urban Wild, much of which the state sold off to abutters, the giant quarry in the heart of the neighborhood, and the Roxbury Latin Urban Wild on its eastern edge.

This ride is sponsored by the the Boston Natural Areas Network and its community-based Urban Wilds Council, which have been working to preserve Boston's urban wilds since 1977.

Miles **Action**

Start at entrance to Bellevue Hill summit Head downhill on Stratford St.

Left on Clement Ave.

Right on Park St.

Right on Corey St.

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Right on Garth Rd.

Left on Willow St.

Right on Schirmer Rd.

Left on Church St.

Cross Weld St. at light

Cross VFW Parkway at light

Left on Grassmere Rd.

Straight on Thornton Rd.

Left on Independence Dr.

Stop in Hancock Woods

Right on VFW Parkway

Right on Corey St.

Right on Lagrange St.

Right on Broadlawn Park

Stop at Leatherbee Woods

Back out Broadlawn Park

Left on Lagrange St.

Right into St. Joseph's Cemetery

Stop at Mayor John Hynes grave

Exit to Baker St. through stone wall

Left on Baker St.

Right into Brook Farm State Historic Site

Stop for introduction to New Brook Farm

Straight to right of cemetery

Follow trail and bear left

Cross footbridge into Millenium Park

Miles Action

Right on paved path closest to river

Pass wild part of ex-landfill

Right on Gardner St.

Right on Rivermoor St.

Stop at Rivermoor Urban Wild

Back out Rivermoor St.

Right on Charles Park Rd.

Right on VFW Parkway

Pedestrian Left onto Spring St.

Right on Powell St.

Stop at what's left of Belle Ave. Urban Wild

Left on Cass. Ave.

Right on Birchland Ave.

Right, then Left on Johnson St.

Right on Baker St.

Cross old right of way

Left on Belle Ave.

Note houses built on what could have been a trail

Left on Northdale Rd.

Left on Center St.

Right on Grove St.

Stop at quarry

Left on Washington St.

Left on Grouse St.

Left on Thrush St.

Right on Heron St.

Right on Eagle St.

Left on St. Theresa Ave.

Right on Brier Rd.

Right on Lagrange St.

Immediate Left on Tennyson St.

Right on Bellevue St.

Left on Bellevue Hill Rd.

Stop at gate or ride to summit

