Application to Appalachian Trail Conservancy for Appalachian Trail Community Designation

1) Community Name:

Lee, Massachusetts

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Criteria:

1). Advisory committee Please list committee members, along with their contact info (email preferred), and who they represent from the community. Briefly describe the committee's structure.

The Selectboard of the town of Lee, Massachusetts voted on Tuesday, December 21, 2021 to begin the process of creating an advisory committee to process the ATC Community application for the town of Lee to be designated as an Appalachian Trail Community by the ATC. The Appalachian Trail Community Application Ad Hoc Committee was formed within the town governance to process and submit the Appalachian Trail Community Application to the ATC. The committee will become a permanent town committee and no longer have "ad Hoc" designation when the town is designated by the ATC as an ATC Community. There are 7 members on the advisory committee who are residents of the town of Lee.

Advisory Committee Members:

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2) Annual project or celebration projects or events may include promoting or sponsoring a volunteer workshop/workday, assuring information about the Appalachian Trail and the ATC is available at ongoing community events, etc. Describe the event and list the lead volunteer liaison with contact information.

Massachusetts Walking Tour, June 17-26, 2022, Appalachian Trail -Massachusetts

The Massachusetts Walking Tour is a not for profit organization that annually hikes and performs town concerts within the state of Massachusetts for 10 consecutive days to generate awareness of the trails within the state. This year the Massachusetts Walking Tour chose the ninety mile section of the Appalachian Trail in Massachusetts for their hike and 10 town performances. The tour was assisted by towns and communities along the Appalachian Trail as well as volunteers from the Appalachian Mountain club and the ATC Community Committees of Dalton and Cheshire.

The Town of Lee ATC Community Application Committee assisted the Massachusetts Walking Tour prior to and during their performances in both the towns of Tyringham and Lee, Massachusetts. In late spring the Lee ATC Committee met with a walking tour co-founder, Raianne Richards, and assisted in the distribution of posters and fliers throughout central Berkshire County.

During the Massachusetts Walking Tour event, the Lee ATC Community Application Committee assisted the tour's members with transportation for themselves and their backpacks and instruments and as well as slack packing the group while they hiked through sections of the Appalachian Trail.

The ATC Community Application Committee of Lee attended the concerts in the town of Tyringham on Monday, June 20, as well as, the Lee Library Concert on Tuesday, June 21, at 6:00 pm. The committee subsequently assisted in transporting the tour group to their overnight accommodations in the next town as well as transporting their gear and instruments.

Close ties and bonds have developed throughout Berkshire County towns and communities with The Massachusetts Walking Tour members as a result of their dedication to perform and hike the Appalachian Trail for 10 very rough days. Their recognition of the Appalachian Trail drew much beneficial attention to the Appalachian Trail as well as the ATC.

https://masswalkingtour.org/home/2022-tour

On Trail Ongoing Projects:

Throughout this past summer the Lee Appalachian Trail Community Application Committee has had the opportunity to recognize and care for the needs of thru hikers as they have passed through the trail in Upper Goose Pond, Lee, and the neighboring village of Tyringham. The following services were provided and will continue to be provided and grow as the result of the committee's and community's involvement this summer. Necessary food and goods were donated by residents of the community.

- <u>1).Hydration Station:</u> A hydration stations was set up and assistance was provided to hikers on the trail during the extreme dry, hot weather this summer. The location was alongside the AT road crossing section of the trail on the Main Road in Tyringham where the trail begins to climb Baldy Mountain. The trail continues on for 7 miles north at this point with little or no water source. Water, and supervised food and drink, ie bananas and soda, were provided to hikers at the hydration station. Respect and conservation of the trail was maintained at all times by the AT Committee and hikers.
- **2)Slackpacking at Hydration Station:** Slackpacking was offered and provided to thru hikers along the Tyringham section of the trail when it appeared to be needed by hikers climbing up Baldy Mountain. The hiker usually appeared to being having some form of difficulty at the time that slackpacking was offered.
- <u>3) Ridge Runners:</u> Lee AT Community Application Committee members presently hike the trail and report down trees when seen. Committee members would be available to commit to volunteer with ridge running if requested by the local Appalachian Trail Management Committee.
- <u>4) Work Parties and Caretaking Goose Pond Cabin</u>: The committee members are aware that volunteers are needed and committee members routinely encourage involvement during public meetings and in general public conversations.

In Town Ongoing Projects:

The Appalachian Trail Community Application Committee is working alongside land agencies within the Lee community to provide trail information at local events throughout the spring, summer, and fall.

- 1) Annual Founder's Day Weekend Held Annually in September: The Appalachian Trail Community Application Committee provided Massachusetts Appalachian Trail Maps and Trailhead information at the local Lee Land Trust booth during the Founder's Day Weekend held on Saturday, September 17, 2022.
- <u>2) Farmer's Market and Craft Fairs:</u> When committee members are available the AT Committee will provide AT Trail maps and information at an information table during the Farmer's Markets and Craft Fairs that are held on weekends from Memorial Day thru Columbus Day on the Town Common.
- 3) Lee Chamber of Commerce Information Booth: The Appalachian Trail Community Application Committee provides Massachusetts AT Trail Maps and AT Trailhead information at the Lee Chamber of Commerce Information Booth on the town common that is open to the public from Memorial Day Weekend thru to Columbus Day.
- **4) Annual Fall Hike:** The AT Committee is considering an annual hike to develop awareness and support of the trail.

3) A.T. educational or service learning project. Describe the event and list the lead volunteer liaison with contact information.

Nicole Webster Clark, an ATC Community Application Committee member, is the Visual + Fine Art Educator and Humanities Department Head at Lee Middle and High School. Nicole is presently working with Cosmo Catalano from the Appalachian Mountain Club, to develop a series of education events at the Lee Middle and High School.

December 2022

A Lee Middle and High School Assembly will take place at the school auditorium on December 8, 2022 to introduce students to the Appalachian Trail. Cosmo Catalano and other Appalachian Mountain Club member volunteers will make presentations at this event.

January 2023

Intercession Day January 23, 2023 at Lee Middle and High School: "Love to Learn Day"

Students will have the opportunity to sign up and learn more about subjects that interest them. Students in a small setting will have the opportunity to sign up learn more about the Appalachian Trail and trail safety. Volunteers from the Appalachian Mountain Club and Appalachian Trail Management Committee will make presentations at this event.

April 2023

<u>Lee Middle and High School – Appalachian Trail Community Service Day</u>

Students will sign up in advance to experience the trail on the community service day.

4) Language for the protection of the A.T. is included in land-use plans, planning tools, ordinances or guidelines; or there is demonstrated support to amend, change, or add such plans. Attach any necessary documents, state the support for these tools, and list who is the lead contact for this initiative.

The 2000 Lee, Massachusetts Master Plan, Section IX –Natural Resources, Open Space, and Outdoor recreation, and Section X-Sustainable Land Use, includes extensive language regarding the protection and ongoing preservation of open space and the public use of open space within the town of Lee.

Information available at:

• Town of Lee, Massachusetts Comprehensive Master Plan

Section IX: p.85 Natural Resources, Open Space, and Outdoor Recreation

Section X: p.92 Sustainable Land Use

https://semspub.epa.gov/work/01/211805.pdf

• The Town of Lee Conservation Commission adopted the Scenic Mountain Act regulations as of October 24, 2008.

Information available at:

Town of Lee Massachusetts Scenic Mountain Act

https://www.lee.ma.us/land-use/pages/scenic-mountain-act

Town of Lee Massachusetts Conservation commission

https://www.lee.ma.us/conservation-commission

2016 OPEN SPACE & RECREATION PLAN FOR LEE MASSACHUSETTS

Plan prepared by the Lee Open Space and Recreation Task Force, Lee Youth Commission, Lee Conservation Commission, and Lee Planning Board with the assistance of the Berkshire Regional Planning Commission. The task force mission is to protect open space and provide recreational opportunities.

https://www.lee.ma.us/sites/g/files/vyhlif771/f/uploads/lee osrp january 2016 published.pdf

• The lead contact in the Town of Lee for the protection of land use, the above initiatives, and the protection of the Appalachian Trail is Lee Town Manager, Christopher Britain, cbrittain@town.lee.ma.us

5) Describe why your town should be selected as an Appalachian Trail Community TM. What can this program do for your community? What can your town do for the Appalachian Trail?

What can this program do for your community?

- Increase Tourism
- Generate Economic Growth and Land Conservation
- Encourage residents to pursue hiking thru education programs and hiking

What can your town do for the Appalachian Trail?

Increase awareness of the Appalachian Trail thru Community Programs:

- Teacher led trail learning programs
- Community Clean up days on the AT
- Encourage residents to provide rides to AT thru hikers to and from town
- Provide Massachusetts AT Trail maps at locations throughout Lee: Lee Chamber of Commerce Booth, Library, Businesses
- Encourage Lee businesses to provide discounts to thru hikers
- Encourage businesses to include AT information on their web-sites.
- Notify Businesses of hiker web sites were they can advertise discounts
- Create community awareness of thru hikers and support their needs.
- Generate awareness to local towns and community residents that the Appalachian Trail is located within the town of Lee and has accessible trailheads
- Generate awareness that the Upper Goose Pond Cabin which is part of the National Parks Services and the ATC is within borders of the town of Lee
- Encourage the town residents and groups to become members of the Appalachian Trail
 Conservancy and the Appalachian Mountain Club that maintains AT Trails in Berkshire County
- Encourage town residents to volunteer with the Appalachian Trail Management Committee
- Inform the public of the need for volunteer caretakers at the goose Pond Cabin throughout the season that it is open to hikers.
- Provides food re-supply at Local Big Y grocery store as well as charging of devices
- Provides Lodging for thru hikers
- Provides electric outlet access for recharging of hiker's' devices at Town Kiosks and restaurants
- Provides camping gear at local Lee hardware store and Arcadian shop in Lenox, MA
- Provides water sources in public spaces within the town of Lee
- Provides direct access to Massachusetts Turn Pike, Peter Pan and Greyhound Bus Services, Local county bus services, and Uber Services
- 1 Hour distance from Bradley International Airport, Windsor Locks, Connecticut Hartford

The Massachusetts Turnpike Exit into Lee makes Lee the Central Hub and "Gateway to the Berkshires"

6) What does your community hope to gain from the A.T. Community program?

Our community hopes to gain all of the bullets listed below:

- Being a part of the national designation network
- Increased environmental stewardship among community
- Increased recognition & visibility through signage, media, etc.
- Enhanced partnerships with public land agencies
- Increased cultural sustainability
- Increased sense of place
- Increased community viability and economic health
- Increased connections between our community and the A.T.
- Getting more teachers involved in place-based service learning
- Recognition of community as a recreation destination
- Enhanced partnerships with Volunteers
- Increased visitation

7) What can your town do for the Appalachian Trail?

- Increase knowledge of A.T. as a community asset
- Build membership for local A.T. club and ATC
- Protect resources within the Trail corridor through planning: zoning regulations, smart growth, etc.
- Increase availability of information regarding the A.T. and its relationship to the community
- Increase proper use of the A.T. and community familiarity with Leave No Trace practices
- Include A.T. in community marketing info brochures, websites, etc.
- Community awareness of the local A.T. sections and access points
- Increase partnerships and dialogue among land managers, volunteers, and town leadership
- Support teachers who bring the A.T. to their students

8) What is your community's stage of action for each of the following?

We have strong partnerships with public land agencies (local or federal)

Town of Lee governance is already doing this.

We offer clear communication about the A.T. to wider audiences via our website, signage, newsletters, etc.

Thinking about it.

We have committed volunteer leadership for the A.T. in our community

Already doing this.

New A.T. volunteers have recently stepped up to lead community efforts

Already doing this.

Info about the A.T. is included in our community brochures

Thinking about this.

Info about the A.T. can be easily found on our community website(s)

Already doing this-just refining

Community events have a clear focus on trails and outdoor recreation

Already doing this-just refining

We offer community-led hikes on the A.T.

Started taking specific actions

We have regular programs or events for protection of the A.T.

Started taking specific actions

We regularly partner with the ATC on programs or events

Started taking action

We regularly donate to the ATC

Thinking about it

9) Please describe your partnerships with public land agencies and with volunteers.

The Town of Lee governance and the town's Department of Public Works, maintain relationships and works alongside the following public land agencies and volunteers:

Lee Land Trust:

The Lee land Trust is an independent, non-profit, tax exempt organization that is committed to the preservation of land and the maintenance of land and land resources within the town of Lee. The Town of Lee works with the Lee Land Trust to maintain safety on the public hiking trails and properties within the town. leelandtrust.org

Massachusetts DCR-Department of Conservation and Recreation

The Lee DPW maintains the town roads that run through October Mountain State Forest. The DPW snowplows, maintains roads, and provides the removal of downed trees on the town roads.

Greener Gateway Committee:

The Recycling / Greener Gateway Committee is a town committee whose mission is to be instrumental in Lee's becoming a Greener Gateway to the Berkshires – more environmentally-friendly, sustainable, and attractive for residents, visitors, and future generations. Two examples of projects are the following:

- Reducing the use of plastics: We were the driving force behind the bylaws passed at the 2016
 Town Meeting regulating the use of thin-film plastic shopping bags and polystyrene drink and food containers.
- During the Committees 6th annual roadside clean up, April 30, 2022, the committee and group of volunteers removed 70 bags of trash, 47 bags of recyclables, an unbelievable 965 nip bottles, tires and even golf clubs. The event ended with volunteers receiving a thank-you bag.
- Achieving zero-waste: Since 2013 we have worked closely with the Lee Chamber of Commerce and others to achieve zero-waste during Founders Weekend, getting closer to our goal each year.

The Lee DPW recycles and disposes of all waste that is collected by Greener Gateway and provides storage facility for their waste containers.

Massachusetts Department of Transportation

The Lee DPW works directly with the MASS DOT in maintaining road infrastructure projects within the town of Lee and maintains the plowing of public sidewalks along state roads within the town.

<u>Trustees of Reservations:</u> The Town of Lee acknowledges and supports the non-profit group, Trustees of Reservations, in their maintaining of Donato's Trail/Goose Pond Reservation.

10) What cultural and/or historical information is available about your community?

The town of Lee occupies land which was originally territory of the Mahican Indians. The first non-native settlement in the area was known as Dodgetown as early as 1760. Dodgetown was named after its founding settler, Asahel Dodge, who immigrated to the area from Cape Cod. Lee was incorporated in 1777 from parts of Great Barrington and Washington. It is named after Revolutionary War General Charles Lee.

Lee has a strong heritage of being a paper mill town. In 1867, with 25 paper mills, Lee was the leading manufacturer of paper in the United States. Lee is also well known for its marble quarry that produced and provided marble for the building of many historical buildings and monuments throughout the United States including St. Patrick's Cathedral and Grant's tomb in New York City, and The Lincoln Memorial and Washington Monument in DC.

The beginning of the 21 century saw a decline in the paper industry in Lee as the paper industry relocated to other regions of the United States, as well as overseas. As of 2000, there remained 5 paper mills in Lee. Today, one mill, the Willow Mill that produces specialty papers, remains in operation in South Lee. Both Marble and Lime continue to be mined in Lee today.

The town of Lee continues to have manufacturing companies along the Housatonic River and has become a popular location for upstart corporations such as the growing medical supply industry. Lee has also become a popular location in the development of the cannabis agriculture industry.

Because of its close location to New York City and Boston, Berkshire County has always been a vacation destination and cultural mecca. Over the past 20 years, Lee has capitalized on this and has emerged into a popular destination for vacations, shopping, entertainment and fine dining.

11) What recreation opportunities, major ongoing festivals, and events does your community offer?

Whether one is looking for outdoor adventure, music, art, fine dining or just putting your feet up, you'll find it in Lee, Massachusetts, the Gateway to the Berkshires. Lee offers many cultural events and activities. Directly off of the Massachusetts Turnpike at Exit 10, Lee segways to a diverse array of cultural activities throughout the Berkshire Mountains from Tanglewood Music Center and Shakespeare in Company in Lenox, Massachusetts to Mass MOCA in North Adams.

Lee, Massachusetts welcomes tourists and residents alike to enjoy its many ongoing festivals, fine restaurants, hiking trails, Golf Course, Inns, Bed and Breakfasts, shops and many events throughout the year. We welcome residents and tourists alike to gather on a park bench on the town green in the center of town. The property of the First Congregational Church of Lee, the green is the focal point of the weekly Saturday Farmers Market, Sunday concerts in the park, Art festivals, Jazz weekends and Friday Night family movies under the summer skies. Not to mention, the Lee chamber of Commerce information booth on the green where its volunteers provide diverse information and brochures for activities throughout The Berkshires.

Outdoor activities in Lee include hiking and camping in October Mountain State Forest, Bear Town State Forest, hiking the Appalachian Trail or just walking around town to scope out the fine eateries, library and shops. There are also many shorter footpaths in town maintained by the town's non-profit, Lee Land Trust. Whether visitors just want to put their feet up or go for a swim there is always Lee's town Beach, Sandy Beach, for a change of pace.

The Town of Lee's main event is the Annual Lee Founders Day Weekend which takes place in September. The weekend begins with outdoor food vending and Fireworks on Friday night and continues throughout the weekend with the Saturday parade, food and dining, craft exhibits and many open markets. There is never a dull moment in downtown Lee!

- Annual Lee Founders Day Weekend Festival-September
- Weekly Saturday Farmer's Market held from Memorial Day thru Columbus Day Weekend
- Greenock County Club-Public golf Course
- Summer Jazz Weekend-Sponsored by First Church of Christ
- Craft Fair-August
- Friday Night Movies in the Park
- Lee Sandy Beach-public beach
- Art in the Park Festival 3 separate weekends –May, August, September
- Creative Lee-Lee Library display of local artists

12) Hiker Services availability + 13) Please describe any of the hiker services. Include the types of signage, kiosks, and information locally available regarding the A.T. and any other relevant information.

<u>Lodging</u>: **Widely Available** Lodging is widely available in the town of Lee, beginning with 3 motels locate on Housatonic St as hikers come into the town of lee from the trail. There is also a motel in Becket directly south of the trail on Rt. 20 as hikers approach the road.

<u>Camping:</u> <u>Limited Availability</u> Camping is available to thru hikers at the Upper Goose Pond Cabin that is located on the side trail in Upper Goose Pond in Lee, MA.

<u>Outfitter:</u> **Available** Lee Hardware in downtown Lee provides camping gear for hikers. Arcadian Shop in neighboring town of Lenox, MA provides camping gear for hikers.

8 ATM Locations: **Widely Available** Greylock Federal Credit Union, Lee Bank, Mobil Gas Station, Big Y Grocery Store, Chase Bank, Berkshire Bank, Shell Gas Station, Citgo Gas Station.

<u>Restaurants:</u> Widely Available There are 15 plus restaurants in the town of Lee, as well as quick dinein or take-out services at Dunkin Donuts, Starbucks, McDonalds, Subway and the Red Apple Chinese Restaurant.

<u>Laundry:</u> **Available** Laundry services are available at most motels as well as Lee Coin Op Laundromat in downtown Lee.

<u>Grocery Store:</u> **Available** Big Y World Class Market is available to thru hikers on Rt. 102 in Lee as they approach the town and the Big Y is located conveniently near motels. There are also 5 convenience stores in Lee, 3 of which are located near motels.

<u>Farmer's Market</u>: **Available** Farmer's Market is located in the town park every Saturday from 10am-2pm, Memorial Day Weekend thru Columbus Day Weekend.

Shuttle from AT to Town: Available Town residents frequently offer rides to thru hikers when they see them walking to and from the trail. Several trail angels have registered their availability to provide rides to thru hikers on hiker web sites, and at the local hardware store and Lee motels. Gidget and Gadget's AT Shuttle Service in also available to thru Hikers throughout Berkshire County. Uber services are also available to thru hikers. Start- up shuttle services are developing in the towns surrounding the AT.

<u>Shuttle Services available to points north and south along the AT</u>: <u>Available</u> Berkshire Regional Transit Authority, "BRTA", provides local bus service throughout South, Central and North Berkshire County and bus stops on the main roads of downtown Lee. Amtrak Train services are available from the train station in Pittsfield, MA. Peter Pan Bus and Greyhound Bus Services provide long distance bus services from downtown Lee, MA.

Showers: Available Lodging required for showers. The town barber shop and hair dressers provide walk in services.

<u>Pharmacy/Medical Services:</u> Available There are 2 pharmacies in Lee, MA: Big Y Pharmacy and Walgreens Pharmacy. Berkshire Medical Center is located 12 miles north in Pittsfield, as well as Urgent Care services in Pittsfield. Fairview Hospital is located 12 miles south in Great Barrington, MA.

<u>Library/Computer/Internet</u>: **Available** Lee Library provides computers for use. Starbucks and BIG Y provide WIFI and electrical outlets for recharging electronic devices as do chain restaurants in town.

<u>Visitor or Welcome Center</u>: **Available** The Lee Chamber of Commerce has an information booth located in the Town Park that is a resource of information for visitors to Lee and the Berkshires. It is attended by volunteers from Memorial Day Weekend through Columbus Day Weekend.

<u>Post Office:</u> Available Lee Post office is located in the center of town and is easily accessible to thru hikers with hours of operation Monday through Saturday.

<u>Public Restrooms</u>: **Available** Public restrooms are available in the Lee Town Hall, and the Lee Library. Portable public rest rooms are located across from the Lee Post Office and at the Lee Athletic Field.

<u>Discounts for Hikers:</u> Not yet Available Lee Businesses are being approached to suggest that they offer discounts to thru hikers.

Storage for Hikers: Not Available Storage is not available at this time.

<u>Shuttle Service to the Airport</u>: **Available** Thru hikers can arrange for transportation services posted on hiker internet Apps. to transport them to Bradley International Airport in Hartford, Connecticut. Uber services and small taxi companies in the area are also available for airport transportation.

<u>Car Rental/Taxi Services:</u> Available Uber services are available in Berkshire County. Private and professional car shuttle services are available to hikers on hiker Apps. Car Rental is available from RW's of Lee, MA. Car rental is in available through Enterprise Rent-A-Car and Hertz Rental Services in Pittsfield, MA.

<u>AT Souvenirs:</u> Not at this Time Lee gift shops have expressed interest in providing AT souvenirs for their customers to purchase.

<u>Signage about the AT</u>: **Not at this Time** To be developed by the town of Lee with the assistance of the Appalachian Mountain Club and the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

Kiosks about the AT: Not within Town Kiosks for the Appalachian Trail are located at the AT Trailheads on the **Jacobs Ladder Scenic Byway** parking lot on Rt. 20 Becket, MA, which shares the town line and on the AT approach trail on Main Road in Tyringham, MA.

<u>Info about the role of the AT in your Community</u>: **Not at this Time** To be developed with the assistance of the Lee School System, Appalachian Trail Mountain Club, the Appalachian Trail Conservancy and the Town of Lee Appalachian Trail Community Committee.

14) Please describe the locations AND state of the access points of the A.T. Where are the closest trailheads and what improvements might be needed?

Lee town center is within close proximity to AT Kiosks and many town roads that the Appalachian Trail crosses in Lee and the bordering towns of Tyringham, Becket and Washington, MA. The access points are well maintained.

- Trailhead- Jacob's Ladder Scenic Byway and Appalachian Trail Trailhead Kiosk, Route 20 Becket, MA, is 4.7 miles from downtown Lee, MA
 There is ample parking, and the Appalachian Trail, both north and southbound is less than 5 minutes walking distance from the parking lot. Upper Goose Pond Cabin is approximately 1.6 miles southbound on the Appalachian Trail from the parking lot.
- Goose Pond Road, Lee, MA. Appalachian Trail Parking is limited off road parking. Access to trail
 both north and southbound is directly next to parking lot. Upper Goose Pond Cabin is
 approximately 2.8 miles northbound from Goose Pond Road and the Main Rd in Tyringham is
 4.3 miles Southbound on the trail from Goose Pond Road.
- Webster Rd, Tyringham, MA Appalachian Trail access is 6.4 miles from the town of Lee. There is a limit of 1-2 cars off road parking. Appalachian Trail both north and southbound crosses road next to parking. Upper goose Pond Cabin is 3.4 miles northbound from Webster Road.
- Jerusalem Rd, Tyringham, MA is 5.5 miles from the town of Lee. Limited roadside parking is available for pick up and drops off. Appalachian Trail both north and southbound is directly next to parking. Shaker campsite is approximately 1.9 miles southbound on the Appalachian Trail from Jerusalem Road.
- Trailhead Appalachian Trail Kiosk, 176 Main Rd, Tyringham, MA is 6 miles from downtown Lee.
 There is limited parking. Appalachian Trail both north and southbound is directly next to parking
 lot. Upper Goose Pond Cabin is approximately 7 miles northbound and the Shaker campsite is
 2.9 miles southbound on the Appalachian Trail from Main Road parking.
- Becket Road, Becket, MA Appalachian Trail access is 5 miles from the town of Lee. There is very limited roadside parking suitable for pick up and drop off. Appalachian Trail both north and south bound is directly next to the roadside parking area. October Mountain shelter is 6.5 miles on the Appalachian Trail northbound from Becket Road.
- County Road, Becket, MA Appalachian Trail access is 10 miles from Lee, MA. There is a limit of 1-3 cars off road parking. The Appalachian Trail both north and southbound is within short walking distance from parking. October Mountain shelter is approximately 1.6 miles northbound on the trail from County Road.
- West Branch Road, Washington, MA, Appalachian Trail Access is 15 miles from Lee, MA. There is
 a limit of 1-3 cars off road parking. Appalachian Trail both north and south bound is directly next
 to parking. October Mountain Shelter is approximately 1/2 mile southbound on the Appalachian
 Trail from West Branch Road.

15) ATC frequently hosts workshops and conferences. Please list facilities in your community that can host a group of 40 people or more. Also include information about any community centers.

The following venues could be available in the town of Lee, MA for the ATC to host workshops and conferences:

- Lee Middle and High School Cafeteria and Henry Zukowski Auditorium, 300 Greylock Street, Lee
- Lee Elementary School, Cafeteria, 310 Greylock Street, Lee
- Greenock County Club, 220 Park Street, Lee
- Lee Athletic Field, Housatonic Street, Lee
- First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ Town Common and Community room, 25
 Park Plaza, Lee
- St. Mary's School Gymnasium, 115 Orchard Street, Lee
- Lee Central Senior Housing, Activity Center and Gymnasium, 21 Crossway Street, Lee