



## ***Newburyport · Salisbury · Newbury · Amesbury***

Dear CTC Supporter,

Coastal Trails Coalition continues to work closely with local municipalities and state agencies to complete the network of recreational trails connecting our communities. Over the next five years we expect to see six major trail projects completed in Newburyport, Newbury, Salisbury and Amesbury that will more than double the number of miles of off road recreational trails in the Coastal Trails Network. In fact, \$22 million of state and federal transportation funds are now programmed to build the following:

- Newburyport's 2.1-mile Phase II of the Clipper City Rail Trail connecting the waterfront with the Joppa Flats area, High Street and Parker Road in Newbury. (Approved plans will go to bid this winter for construction commencing in 2016)
- Amesbury's extension of the Powow Riverwalk to Heritage Park. (Scheduled construction 2016-17)
- The 1.8-mile Whittier Trail on the new I-95 Whittier Bridge across the Merrimack River connecting the Route 113 Commuter Bus Terminal and Ferry Road in Newburyport to Route 110 in Amesbury and Salisbury. (Scheduled completion 2017)
- A stairway from Amesbury's historic Chain Bridge filling station on Main Street to the new Whittier Trail that will provide convenient access to the bridge. (Scheduled completion 2018)
- A 0.8-mile trail connecting the Whittier Trail and the Ghost Trail in Salisbury to Elm Street in Amesbury that will allow people to walk or bike safely under I-95. (Scheduled completion 2018)
- A 2.3-mile northern extension of Salisbury's Old Eastern Marsh Trail from Mudnock Road to the Mass-NH state line as part of the Border to Boston Trail. (Scheduled construction 2019)

CTC has been instrumental in getting these projects started and moving them forward. We continue to advocate effectively with local officials and state and federal agencies to fill the missing links in the Coastal Trails Network. We've provided funds to support many projects, including designing the Border to Boston Trail and the Clipper City Rail Trail. We're also sponsoring Adopt-a-Trail Programs in Amesbury and Salisbury to raise funds to help keep their trails in top condition.

We hope you will assist us with the public support and funding that is critically necessary to complete the trail network. As a CTC member, you will be invited to all CTC-sponsored events and continue to receive our e-newsletter keeping you informed of trail news. Please consider supporting CTC with a gift of \$35, \$50, \$100 or more.

### **AS A SPECIAL THANK YOU**

As a special Thank You, if you make a gift of \$50 or more before year-end we will send you your choice of either a Coastal Trails Backpack or a Coastal Trails Guidebook featuring ten local self-guided trails for hiking, biking and paddling.

Sincerely,