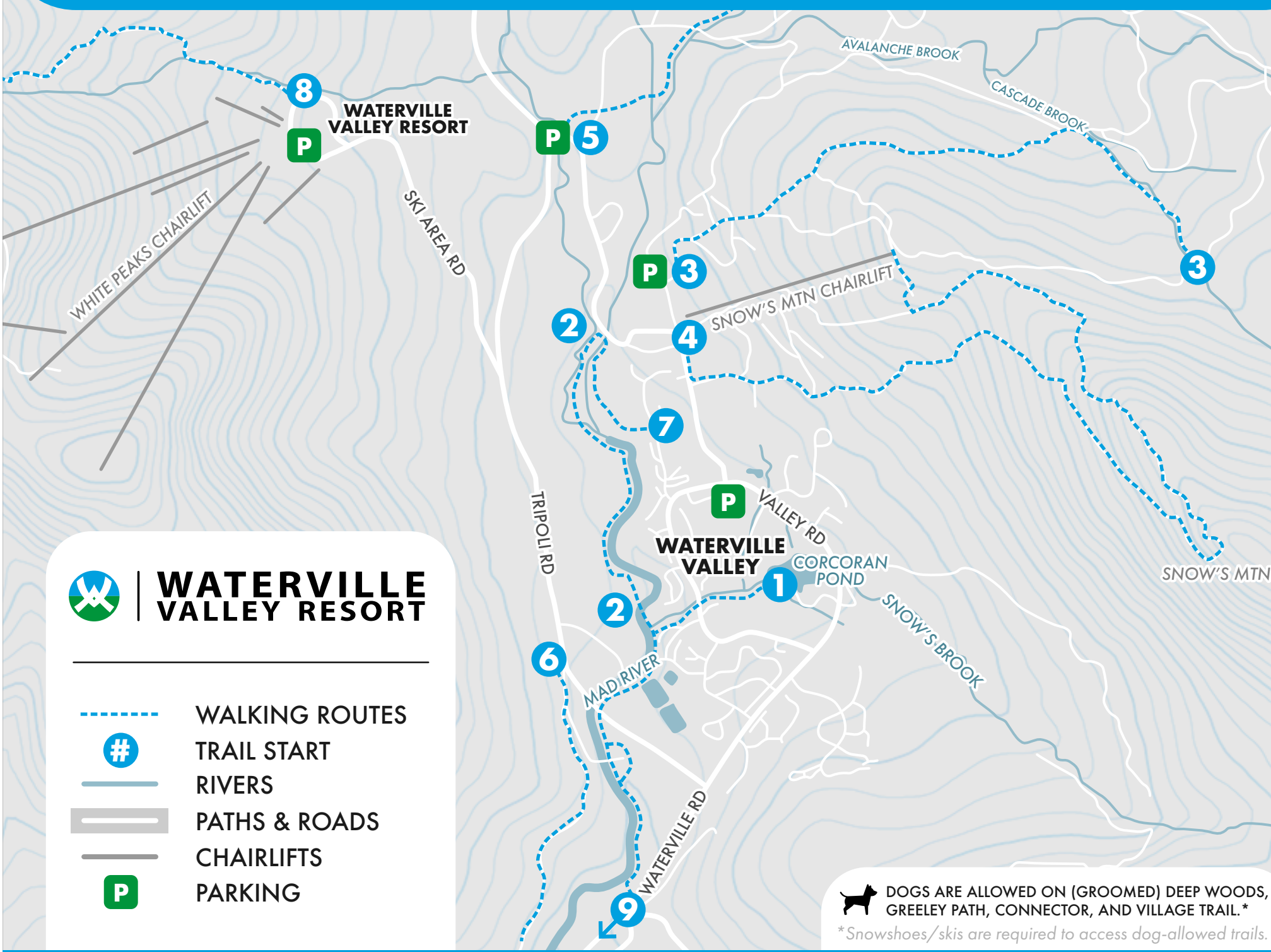
WINTER WALKING ROUTES

WATERVILLE VALLEY, NEW HAMPSHIRE



This map is produced to help protect our groomed trail system and maintain safe ski condition

Do your part to help make Waterville Valley a true ski town and avoid walking on the groomed trails.

1 VILLAGE TRAIL

Leaves from Town Square and follows the brook. Groomed with foot traffic allowed. At 0.3 miles, take a right to cross two bridges to enter the Mad River Hiking Trail (number 2 on map) or continue straight to go another 0.5 miles to enter the USFS Waterville Valley Campground (number 7 on the map). A loop down to the campground and back is a lovely 2 mile roundtrip with minimal elevation change.

2 MAD RIVER TRAIL

Accessed from Village Trail or from West Branch Road, this is a beautifully scenic 0.85 mile trail that travels along the Mad River. There are some sections of steep steps and one stream crossing on large boulders. It is often icy so traction is recommended. You can connect onto Mike's Dream after cross the bridge on West Branch Road.

3 CASCADE PATH

Starting at the base of Snow's Mountain, walk across Cascade Ridge Road to begin this gentle adventure complete with scenic views and bridges. The trail is best known for its rising and winding pattern through the forest. 1.2 miles into your hike, the trail joins with the Lower Snow's Mountain trail near a small bridge. After 0.2 miles you will come to the first in a series of waterfalls and gorges. The trail splits at the first waterfall, you can hike up either side of the brook.

4 SNOW'S MOUNTAIN TRAIL

This moderate trail meanders in a long, elliptical loop along the ridge of Snow's Mountain on a rocky footbed. All ungroomed faces of Snow's Mountain are accessible to foot-traffic without snowshoes, but we ask that you please stay off any packed up hill routes and groomed portions of Beanbender. Offering unique and fantastic views of the cascades and the frozen pools below, Snow's is wonderful adventure open to travelers.

5 LIVERMORE RD TO GREELEY PONDS

Leaving the Livermore Parking Lot requires a short 0.4 mile walk on the groomed trail (please stay to the side). Take a left after crossing the small bridge and you'll be on Greeley Ponds Trail (marked with a brown USFS sign). The trail is very flat and wide for about 1 mile before it starts to climb away from the river. If you wish to continue, it's a lovely 7 mile round trip to the first pond and back.

6 HARDY BROOK ROAD

If driving up the access road towards the downhill area, you'll pass the Town Offices on the right and then just after cross the bridge you'll see a small pull off on the left with a USFS gate. It is not plowed or maintained so sometimes it requires accessing by foot. You can make a short road traverse by exiting Village Trail at the Town Offices. This old logging road can be easily followed for 1-2 miles before becoming a little rough with encroaching brush.

7 MIKE'S DREAM

This piece of private land along the Mad River is open to the public. The main doubletrack trail is .3 mi and connects West Branch Road to Osceola Rd. There are also mostly unmarked singletrack bike trails on both sides of the wider doubletrack and a small field area near the West Branch Road end that is perfect for a game of fetch with fido.

8 MOUNT TECUMSEH TRAIL

This difficult rocky trail that ascends Mount Tecumseh offers widespread, easterly views before descending down the other side. Beginning at the north end of Waterville Valley Resort, this trail gradually ascends the southern side of Tecumseh Brook for about 15 minutes then crosses the brook and climbs the northern foothills with the ski area slopes on the left and diverges not far from the summit, giving excellent views to the east and descends after High Country.

9 SMARTS BROOK

Smarts Brook trail, located 5 miles down Route 49, accesses a popular and scenic system of shorter loop hikes that is also a popular ungroomed crosscountry skiing area in winter. The Smarts Brook trail passes through the center of these loops and slowly ascends the valley, connecting after 5.1 miles to the Sandwich Mountain trail just below Jennings Peak.

Please Contact the Adventure Center for Questions or Concerns

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