



2023 Trail Progress Report

875 volunteers contributed 65,683 hours in 2023

a value of*

\$2,088,719

The mission of the North Country Trail Association is to develop, maintain, protect, and promote the North Country National Scenic Trail as the premier hiking path across the northern tier of the United States through a trail-wide coalition of volunteers and partners.

- ✦ 8 states
- ✦ 30 Chapters
- ✦ 8 Affiliates
- ✦ 160+ land management units
- ✦ 100s of partners



Installed and repaired 28 bridges



Partnered with 30 youth groups and corps programs to build and maintain trail



Built 58.6 miles of new NCNST

309
volunteer-led hikes with 6,104 total participants

2,772
miles of NCNST maintained

58
miles of roadwalk eliminated

12
new easements completed to protect the NCNST corridor

4,847
feet of puncheon and boardwalk built or replaced

158
miles of trail blazed

43
new signs, kiosks, and interpretive panels installed

*includes volunteer advocacy and travel hours

CURRENT TRAIL MILES*



Total Off Road: **3,303**
 Total On Road: **1,548**

TOTAL MILES
4,851

*All mileage totals are estimates and change frequently. Hundreds of miles of trail data are improved each year, which can lead to discrepancies in the trail mileage totals and the trail mileage actually built in that year

The North Country National Scenic Trail is a *unit* of the National Park System. The National Park Service manages the NCNST in collaboration with NCTA and the volunteers who build and maintain the trail. The trail traverses off-road miles on private land, and public land managed by local, state, and federal agencies.



- **FEDERAL: 1,023 MILES**
 National Park Service: 45 miles
 U.S. Forest Service: 800 miles
 Other (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation): 175 miles
- **STATE: 1,341 MILES**
- **LOCAL: 485 MILES**
- **PRIVATE: 453 MILES**