Down East Sunrise Trail
www.sunrisetrail.org

Washington Junction to Cherryfield = 28 miles

The Down East Sunrise Trail (DEST) takes riders off-road on a gentle journey through a natural landscape of forests, vast marshes, mountain views, and through habitat for Maine's iconic moose, beaver, eagles, osprey, waterfowl, wild turkeys, and white-tailed deer.

85 miles and growing, the DEST is the longest off-road section of the East Coast Greenway.

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www.parksandlands.com

Washington Junction

Location: Railroad Siding Street, Ellsworth

Parking: Large off-street lot

Trail Section Length: 9 miles
Washington Junction to Franklin

Points of Interest & Side Trips:

Restored rail cars by Down East Heritage Rail at Washington Junction.

Wildlife-watching opportunities on this section of the trail and most impressively near wetlands. Watch out for deer crossing the trail.

A side trip to Franklin Memorial Park is a nice stop to take in local history and have a picnic.

Lamoine State Park and Acadia National Park offer additional cycling & hiking adventures.

Franklin Crossing

Location: Intersection of DEST and ME 182 in the center of Franklin

Parking: Limited parking at crossing

Trail Section Length: 7 miles
Franklin Crossing to Tunk Lake Rd.

Points of Interest & Side Trips:

Schoodic Bog and the view of Schoodic Mt. is stunning, especially in autumn. A picnic table awaits you.

Take North End Rd. from trail to Schoodic Beach Rd. for hiking on Schoodic and Black Mts. and camping and day use on Schoodic Beach. NOTE: Trailhead is a 1/2-mile walk from beach.

The Blackwoods Scenic Byway/ME 182 provides access to Tunk Mt. hiking trails and Tunk Lake.

Schoodic Mountain

Tunk Lake Road/ME 183

Location: Four miles north of US 1 on ME 183 where DEST intersects

Parking: Limited parking next to the trail.

Trail Section Length: 8 miles
Tunk Lake Rd. to Unionville

Donnell Pond

Points of Interest & Side Trips:

Trail passes through remote forestland and crosses a few logging roads before reaching Unionville.

Hike , swim, and camp at Donnell Pond Public Lands. From trail take North End Rd or ME 183.

The Schoodic National Scenic Byway (US 1). To learn more about the geology of the area, view Maine's Ice Age Trail at http://iceagetrail.umaine.edu.

Unionville Crossing

Location: Unionville Rd.

Parking: Limited trailside parking

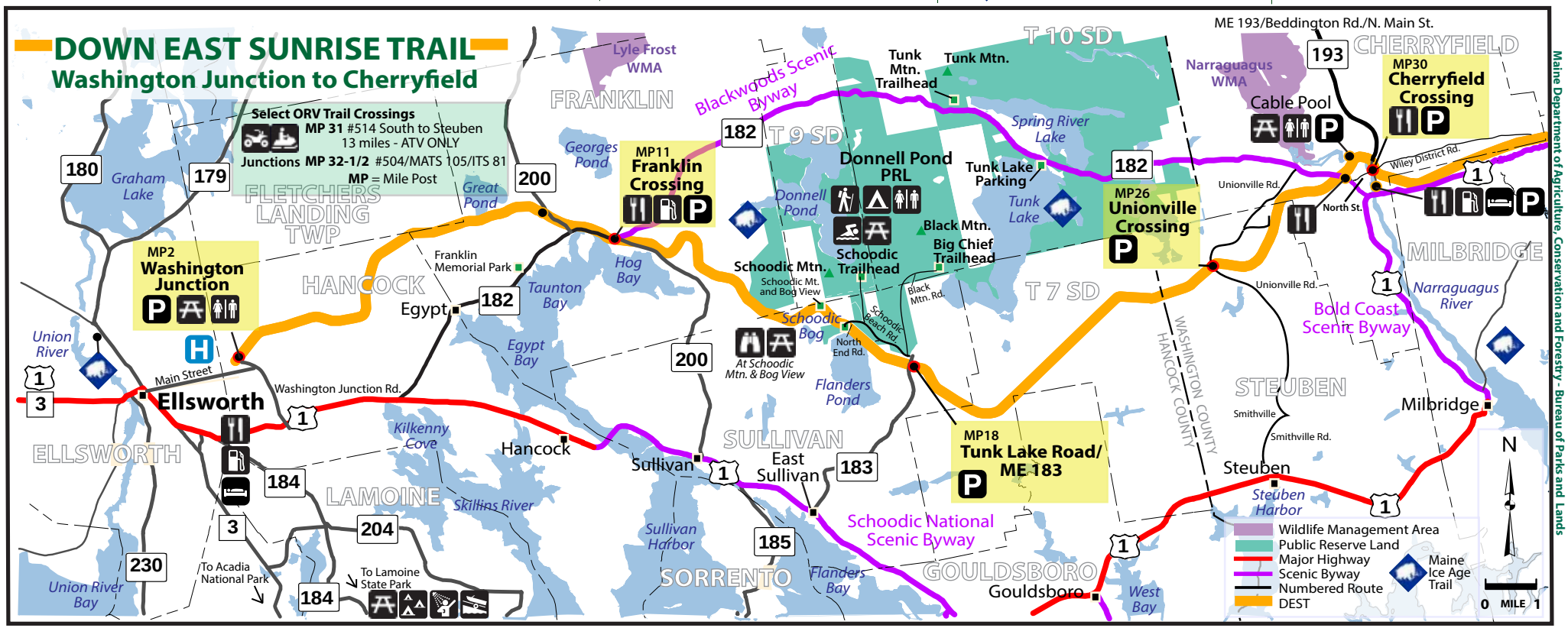
Trail Section Length: 4 miles
Unionville to Cherryfield

Points of Interest:

Trail parallels and then crosses Tunk Stream as it leaves Unionville.
It intersects the eastern end of the Blackwoods Scenic Byway/ME 182, then crosses the Narraguagus River at Cable Pool in Cherryfield via an early 20th-century steel trestle bridge.

Cable Pool, now a town park, is a historically significant salmon pool. It makes a great picnic spot.

Steel trestle bridge at Cable Pool



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