

# 2018 Year in Review



# 2019 Looking Ahead

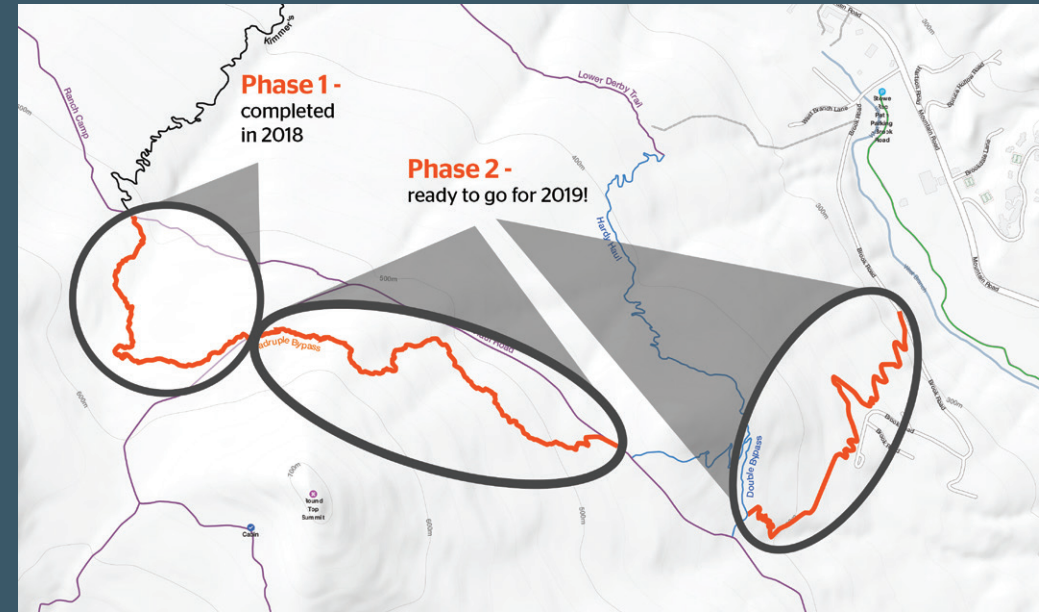
# Vermont Trails and Greenways Council Economic and Fiscal Impact Analysis



The largest hurdle STP faced in 2018 was the rebuild and recovery of the **Cady Hill Forest** network. The vicious wind storm of October, 2017 leveled over 60 acres of forest, in the process destroying several of Stowe's oldest and most iconic trails.

## Adams Camp 2.0

Two new trails will be completed within the **Adams Camp Trail Network**. Phase 1 began in 2018 and is a bi-directional link between the Haul Road and the top of Kimmer's. Phase 2 will complete this trail eliminating 1.7 miles of brutal double track.



This study was commissioned by the Vermont Greenway Council focussing on the economic benefits of trails in the state of Vermont. The study only looks at the impact of the Catamount Trail Association, the Kingdom Trails Association, VAST, and the Green Mountain Club. The actual impact of recreation on the Vermont State economy is much greater and includes many more trails and recreation types.



**6 miles**

of trails repaired in the Cady Hill Forest trail network + ongoing maintenance to address increased traffic



**992 members**

spanning 89 different towns across 11 states and two Canadian provinces, up from 666 members in 2016



**750 hours**

750 hours of trail maintenance and service hours in 2018 logged by STP members and volunteers



**Strategy**

Formal Strategic Plan, Five-Year New Trail Construction Plan and Annual Trail Maintenance Plan developed

## On deck

- Establish **greater connectivity** among existing trail networks, including Sterling Forest and Trapp Family Lodge trails
- Improve and **create connections** with other VMBA chapters, such as the Velomont Trail and Little River State Park
- Creating a **community pump track**



**410,000 annual users**

Visitors come to Vermont trails from all over the US and globe, including Sweden, Germany, Brazil, Australia, China and Canada



**\$2 Million tax revenues**

Vermont receives over \$2 million in tax revenue annually as a result of trail users

## \$15 million Annual New Spending Impacts



**\$3.4 million:**  
overnight lodging



**\$5.6 Million:**  
food and drink



**\$2 Million:**  
transportation



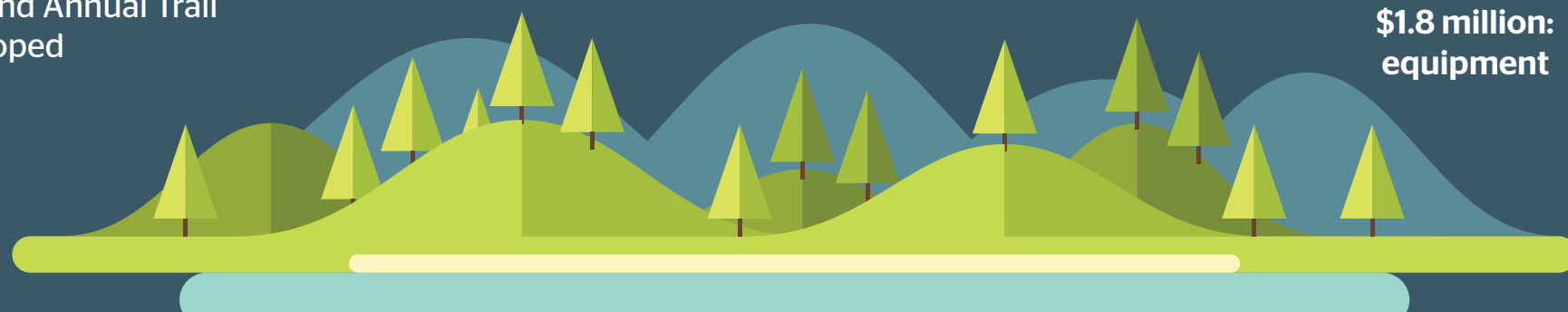
**\$1.8 million:**  
equipment



**\$1.3 Million:**  
recreation



**\$940,000:**  
gifts



To read the study in it's entirety, please visit:  
[www.stowetrails.org/economic-impact-of-vermont-trails/](http://www.stowetrails.org/economic-impact-of-vermont-trails/)