Harvard's grant of permission for use of the Concord Field Station

Grant of permission to the residents of the Town of Concord for use, subject to limitations, to Harvard's property within the Estabrook Woods.

This is part of the covenant of the Terms of the gifts made to Harvard from 1966 to 1968 that supported the acquisition of Harvard's land in the Estabrook Woods.

This applies only to Harvard's part of the Estabrook Woods, and Harvard's part of the Estabrook Trail.

Note it refers to the activities that "have been permitted by the owners in recent years".

Note it forbids activities "that might endanger the character of the Field Station as a natural preserve"

Note it is a grant to the residents of Concord, and not to the general public.

Note it reserves the right to limit activities or access.

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It is anticipated that reasonable use of part of the land of the Concord Field Station by residents of the Town of Concord for the nature walks, horseback riding, skiing, skating, and similar activities which have been permitted by the owners in recent years will be permitted to the extent that they do not, in the judgment of the Museum, interfere with the use of the land by the Museum for educational purposes. No use by any visitor will be permitted, however, within an inner core of the Field Station, to be designated and posted by the Museum, in order to minimize the disturbance of the wild life in that area. Activities that might endanger the character of the Field Station as a natural preserve and activities that have not been permitted in recent years by the present owners will not be permitted by any visitor on any part of the Field Station.