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## **Pedal the Neponset Greenway March 21st**

*Spring tradition hosted by Boston Natural Areas Network, Neponset River Watershed Association, MassBike and Wakefield Estate*

**BOSTON, MA**, March 16, 2009 – What better way to learn the history of the Neponset River than from the seat of your bicycle? On Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, Boston Natural Areas Network, along with Neponset River Watershed Association, MassBike and Wakefield Estate will host its annual “Tour de Neponset” Spring Cycle designed to explore the Neponset River Greenway and watershed. The 15-mile ride will go through Boston and Milton, concentrating on the history of the river. For example, did you know that in 1826, the first railroad in America moved granite from Quincy quarries to Gulliver's Landing located at the mouth of the Neponset River?

Participants will meet at 10:00 a.m. at the small parking lot on Brush Hill Road off the Neponset Valley Parkway by Paul's Bridge on the Hyde Park/Milton line. Ride will conclude around 12:30 at Wakefield Estate for a light lunch of soup and bread. Pre-registration is recommended by calling 617-542-7696 or sending an email to [info@bostonnatural.org](mailto:info@bostonnatural.org). Helmets (and bicycles) are required.

Boston Natural Areas Network is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing together local residents, partner organizations, public officials and foundations to preserve, expand and enhance urban open space, including community gardens, greenways and urban wilds. For further information about the organization, becoming a member or the calendar of events, visit [www.bostonnatural.org](http://www.bostonnatural.org), or call 617-542-7696.

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