

## Section 2

## River Road (Appalachian Trail North)

Difficulty: Easy



Perhaps the best birding spot in Connecticut breeding and migratory birds is along River Road in Kent. Follow this dirt road until it ends (about 2 1/2 miles). Cerulean Warblers are routinely detected on this road as well as numerous other warbler species. Bald Eagles, Osprey, Common Mergansers. Bank Swallows are also frequently observed.

**Total mileage – ~ 2.5 miles one way**

## DIRECTIONS

### **From Route 7 in Kent (Monument and Patco Gas Station):**

- Travel **WEST** on **Route 341** until you cross the bridge over the Housatonic River
- Just past the bridge, turn **RIGHT** onto Skiff Mountain Road . Travel ~ **one mile** until the road forks. Take the **RIGHT fork** and travel a dirt road that runs parallel to the river. You can drive the route (~2.5 miles) with windows open or park at one of the turn-offs or parking areas at either end and walk the road.
- **WARNING: THE DIRT ROAD IS VERY BUMPY AND NARROW. MANY PEOPLE WALK THIS ROAD AS WELL SO PLEASE TRAVEL SLOWLY WHEN DRIVING THIS ROAD.**

Note: Please keep in mind that this is a narrow road which is traveled by others. Also please note that Black Bear have been observed crossing this road.



