



- Park Goals Include:**
- + A network of trails, using the day use parking lot as a trailhead for loops within the park. Trails will access interpretive sites and major views;
  - + Potential connections to trails outside of the park;
  - + Primary interpretive theme will be: "Bates continues to have a lasting cultural and natural impact on the surrounding area and region."
  - + Visitors will learn about Bates through panels, tours and a brochure;
  - + Access to Bates Pond for a variety of recreation activities;
  - + A 35 unit camping loop with showers, and 12 camper cabins and 10 walk-in camping sites on the hillside;
  - + A main day use area and trailhead below the dam with parking, picnic shelter, interpretive hub, and open play area;
  - + A small day use area with a picnic shelter at the upper end of the pond;
  - + Forest preservation and restoration areas;
  - + Riparian restoration areas;
  - + Meadow preservation and restoration areas;
  - + Improving water quality in the creeks and pond to enhance fish habitat; and
  - + Protection of archaeological resources.



Aerial image showing existing conditions at Bates State Park

## Map 2: Bates State Park General Plan

