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### Brownstone Trail Update

Many people have been asking about the Brownstone Trail and what is being done to fix it. As you may know, a section of the Brownstone Trail has been closed since fall 2018. A landslide collapsed the trail in one area, leaving a large hole that continues to erode. The adjacent slope also continues to be unstable especially after heavy rains. Because of these unsafe conditions, Landmark Conservancy has closed the trail in this section. The Conservancy has been working with a coastal engineering firm to understand the underlying causes of the slumping, and to identify options for restoration and protection of the nearby shoreline.

For now, the trail remains closed between Seagull Bay Motel and Lakeshore Drive. A trail barrier has been constructed at both ends of this section, with posted signage. Sadly, while some people are following the reroute instructions, some users – including residents – are ignoring the closure causing additional damage to the area and risking their own safety.

Trail users are reminded to do the following:

- Do not go past the trail barriers.
- Use the reroute along Highway 13.
- Do not trespass into private property to find another route. The use of the trail is a privilege granted to everyone through the generosity of private landowners.

Landmark Conservancy asks for the cooperation of residents and visitors to abide by the trail closure, and encourage others to do so. If people continue to disobey/ignore the trail closure, the Conservancy will post the area “No Trespassing” and enforce this accordingly.

If you have any questions, please contact Landmark Conservancy at 715-235-8850 or [info@landmarkwi.org](mailto:info@landmarkwi.org). Thank you for your patience, and your interest in the future of the Brownstone Trail.