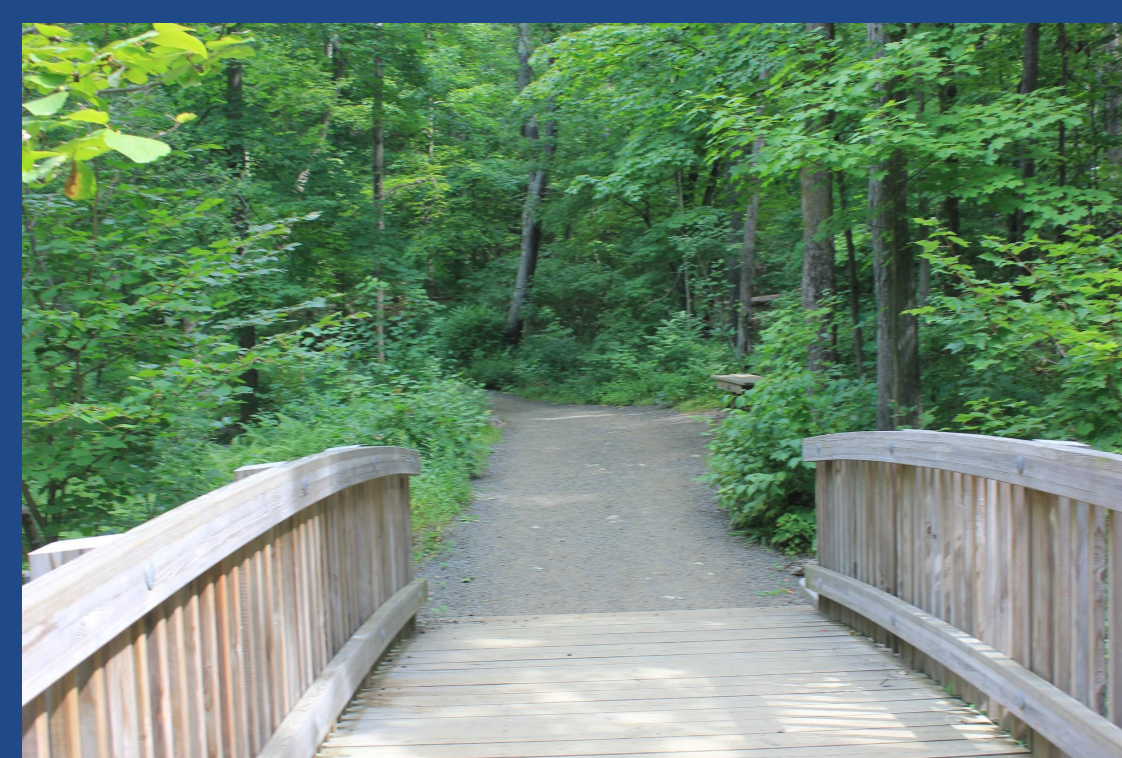
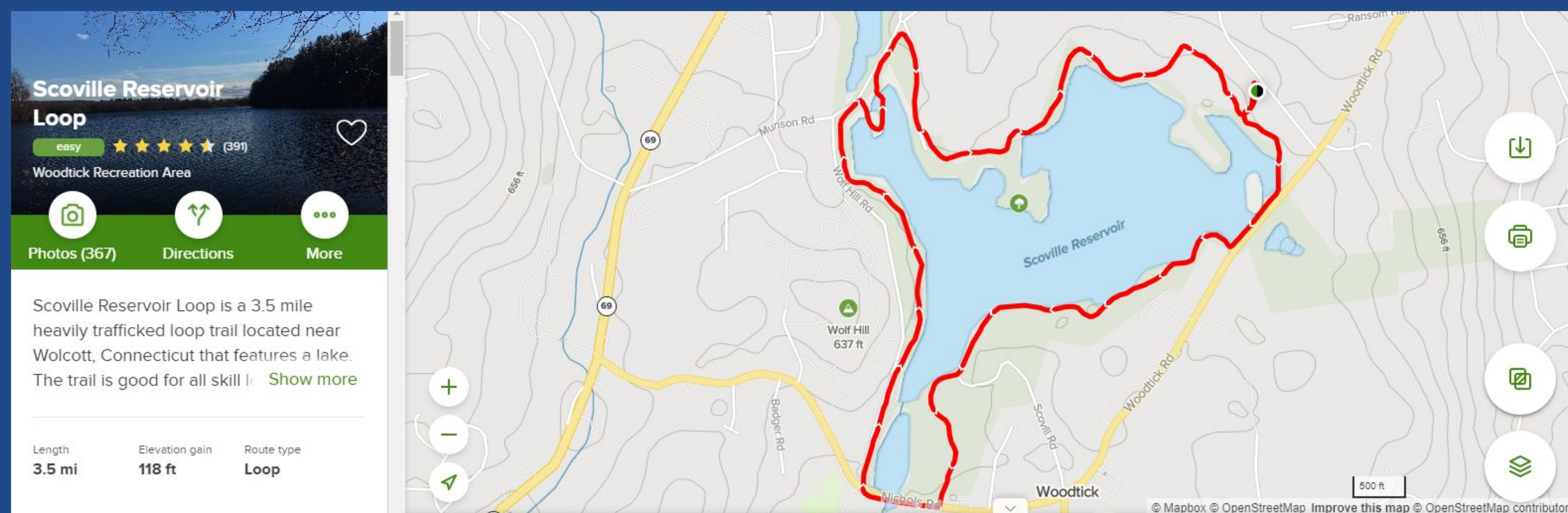
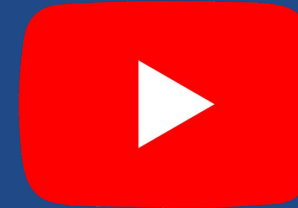


Scoville Loop Community Outreach

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Introduction

- We believe it is important for people of all ages to get involved and better understand the biodiversity of their local environment
- Our project goal is to encourage members of the Wolcott community, in addition to folks from nearby towns like Waterbury, to get outside, get moving, and get learning about the plants and animals in their area
- It is especially essential now during the Covid-19 pandemic to get out into nature and that's what really inspired us to do this project

Methods

- Location: Loop Trail along the Scoville Reservoir in Wolcott, CT
- We created an instructional video to encourage the public to collect data on the plants and animals observed along a popular trail
- We included steps on how to use Epicollect5 and Seek mobile apps
- After meeting with the Wolcott mayor, plans are being made to post signage along the trail with a QR code to increase awareness and accessibility of our project

The Take-Away



Click to access our Epicollect5 data & view our YouTube video



- ★ It's important to know about the ecosystem that surrounds you because how can you value and protect what you do not understand?
- ★ This project enabled Wolcott residents and surrounding community to learn more about their local environment.
- ★ We hope our project can become a community attraction, like a game played while walking along the trail. It could also be a great field trip for teachers to bring their students for hands-on outdoor data collection.

