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PATH GOING NOWHERE → Border to Boston bike trail supporters are scrambling to fill a \$700,000 gap left following cuts made by the Federal Highway Administration. Last week, the administration pulled funding without explanation. Topsfield Rail Trail Committee chairman Joseph Geller speculates the action might be related to decreased gasoline tax revenues. "The irony is that we're being encouraged to drive less and we're having to shut down a project that will provide links to public transportation," Geller said. He and others on the committee plan a letter-writing campaign to federal officials to reinstate funding. The 26-mile bike path was to be along an abandoned rail bed from Danvers to Salisbury. — *David Cogger*