

MassWildlife Lands User Guide Agawam Lake Wildlife Management Area

Towns: Great Barrington, Stockbridge

Acreage: 1,062

Wildlife Management Zone: 3

Description of property:

The Agawam Lake WMA features a variety of habitats including extensive wetlands and overgrown fields. A very steep hill, rising 750 vertical feet in just over 1,500 ground feet, overlooks the west side of Agawam lake. The 18 acre lake is surrounded by roughly 100 acres of marsh making Agawam Lake a quiet haven for wildlife.

Location/Access/Parking:

There is an unmaintained parking lot for 3 vehicles located on the east side of Route 7 that is accessible only during hunting seasons. Additional limited street parking can be found on the western side of Route 7. This property can be accessed from the parking area or from Flag Rock WCE at the end of Grove Street in Great Barrington. There are a series of old logging trails on the east side of Route 7 which allow for access to this property.

Hunting Opportunities:

Opportunities to pursue white-tailed deer, especially on the section of property bordering an orchard and open fields, can be found here. A large part of the property is forested wetlands which provide great habitat for snowshoe hare. The swamp and pond offer great waterfowl habitat and hunting/trapping opportunities.

Fishing Opportunities:

Winter renders the pond accessible to ice fishermen who catch small chain pickerel and perch.

Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

The rich bedrock under the Agawam Lake and Konkapot Brook wetlands support a variety of uncommon natural communities, including a calcareous basin fen, a calcareous seepage swamp, and a rich conifer swamp. These in turn support numerous rare plants and animals. Great blue herons historically nested along Konkapot Brook. Marsh birds and other songbirds frequent the area.

Special WMA Regulations:

None.

Useful Links

WMA Regulations

Habitat Program

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