

MassWildlife Lands User Guide Mt. Esther Wildlife Management Area

Towns: Conway, Whately

Acreage: 329

Wildlife Management Zone: 4N

Description of property:

This property covers the rolling hills surrounding Mt. Esther. The habitats on this WMA consist of mature upland forest of transitional hardwoods (oak, sugar maple, birch) mixed with white pine and hemlock. Jimmy Nolan Brook flows through the western portion of the WMA.

Location/Access/Parking:

Currently no parking areas exist for this WMA. The property can be accessed from abutting conservation land off of Poplar Hill Road.

Hunting Opportunities:

This WMA provides hunting opportunities for Black Bear, White-tailed Deer, Wild Turkey, squirrel, Eastern Coyote, fox, and Raccoon. This area is NOT stocked with pheasant.

Fishing Opportunities:

Jimmy Nolan Brook is a coldwater fisheries resource that provides fishing opportunities for native Brook Trout.

Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

Most of this WMA is mapped as core habitat in BioMap2, the state's comprehensive biodiversity plan, as it contains critical habitat for species of conservation concern.

Special WMA Regulations:

None.

Useful Links

WMA Regulations

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