



MassWildlife Lands User Guide

Pantry Brook Wildlife Management Area

Towns: Concord, Sudbury

Acreage: 148

Wildlife Management Zone: 10

Description of property:

Pantry Brook WMA is almost entirely wetland habitat surrounding the lower reaches of Pantry Brook and Cold Brook. Open grass marshlands are slowly growing in with alder, button bush, and red maple.

Location/Access/Parking:

There are parking areas off of Weir Hill Road (reached by going through the [Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge](#)) and Lincoln Road. There is an informal access of Concord Road. If you need to launch a kayak or canoe, use the trail off Weir Hill Road just past the NWF facilities building.

Habitat Management:

The Pantry Brook Dam was erected in the 1991 to improve waterfowl habitat and is maintained by MassWildlife. The dam is about one hundred yards above the Sudbury River and during high water periods, the river floods back over the dam and upstream to Concord Road.

Hunting Opportunities:

Aquatic furbearers including North American beaver, muskrat, river otter, and mink, as well as raccoon and waterfowl are abundant. White-tailed deer, red fox, and eastern coyote can be found in the upland areas.

Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

Pantry Brook WMA was purchased by MassWildlife in 1952 and was the very first Wildlife Management area in the Commonwealth!

The wetlands are great for kayaking and canoeing. A variety of waterfowl and migratory stopovers frequent the marshes, especially during the spring, providing plentiful bird-watching opportunities. This is a good site to observe some of the more uncommon marsh birds.

Special WMA Regulations:

None.

Useful Links

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