



MassWildlife Lands User Guide

Moose Hill Wildlife Management Area

Towns: Leicester, Paxton, Spencer

Acreage: 594

Wildlife Management Zone: 8

Description of property:

Moose Hill WMA features rolling hardwood ridges and a large wetland complex. A network of mowed fields, active agricultural fields, and numerous overgrown apple orchards further enhance the property.

Location/Access/Parking:

Parking for four vehicles is available on Paxton Road; Laurel Street and Hill Streets each have parking areas that can accommodate two vehicles.

Habitat Management:

Several of the open fields in this WMA are mowed annually to maintain open habitat. Several forest management projects have been completed on this WMA to improve habitat for wildlife. Additionally, the management area contains some active agricultural fields that provide wildlife food resources.

Hunting Opportunities:

This WMA supports a variety of game species including white-tailed deer, wild turkey, black bear, as well as both terrestrial and aquatic furbearer species. This area is stocked with ring-necked pheasants. For more information on pheasant stocking, go to Mass.gov/Pheasant.

Fishing Opportunities:

This area includes frontage on the Sugden Reservoir, which is stocked with trout annually. There is a small boat ramp on the reservoir for both car-top boats and small crafts. The property offers the opportunity to fish for both warm and cold water fish species. For more information on trout stocking visit Mass.gov/Trout.

Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

The Mid-State Trail bisects this property. Nest boxes for American kestrels and wood ducks are maintained on the property.

Special WMA Regulations:

During pheasant season, a blaze orange hat must be worn by all hunters except while night-hunting raccoon or opossum or while hunting waterfowl from within a blind or boat. No person shall hunt before sunrise or after sunset during the open season on pheasant, except for the hunting of raccoon or opossum between 9:00 p.m. and 3:00 a.m.

Useful Links

[WMA Regulations](#)

[Habitat Program](#)

[Hunting & Fishing](#)

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