



# MassWildlife Lands User Guide

## Orange Wildlife Management Area

**Towns:** Orange

**Acreage:** 559

**Wildlife Management Zone:** 5

### Description of property:

This property features a 113 acre wetland surrounded by mature upland forest composed of transitional hardwoods (maple, oak, beech, birch) mixed with white pine and hemlock. Numerous DFW Wildlife Conservation Easement (WCE) properties surround this WMA for increased public access opportunities. Wood duck boxes are maintained annually in the wetlands.

### Location/Access/Parking:

This property can be accessed from North Main Street, Pine Hill Road, and through abutting WCE lands. A dirt parking lot on Pine Hill Road can accommodate four vehicles and a small dirt parking area on North Main Street can accommodate 1-2 vehicles. Parking areas are not maintained in winter.

### Hunting Opportunities:

The large wetland on the WMA provides opportunities for waterfowl hunting and trapping aquatic furbearers. The surrounding forestland provides hunting opportunities for Black Bear, White-tailed Deer, squirrel, Bobcat, Eastern Coyote, fox, and Raccoon. This area is NOT stocked with pheasant.

### Fishing Opportunities:

The large wetland off of North Main Street provides fishing opportunities for warmwater fisheries species and can be accessed with a canoe or kayak.

### Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

Part of this WMA is mapped as Core Habitat in BioMap2, the state's comprehensive biodiversity plan, as this property provides critical aquatic habitat for numerous wildlife species. Excellent bird watching opportunities exist for waterfowl like Hooded Mergansers and Wood Ducks. Great Blue Herons often nest on the standing dead trees in the wetlands.

### Special WMA Regulations:

None.

### Useful Links

[WMA Regulations](#)

[Habitat Program](#)

[Hunting & Fishing](#)

### Fishing/Hunting Licenses

[Mass.gov/MassFishHunt](https://Mass.gov/MassFishHunt)

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