



# **Millers River**

## **Wildlife Management Area**

*Athol, Royalston, Phillipston*  
*2,621 Acres*

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<b>SIZE:</b>	<b>2,621 acres</b>
<b>ACCESS:</b>	<b>Multiple access points along Chestnut Hill Ave, Gulf Road, Stockwell Road and Route 68</b>
<b>HABITAT:</b>	<b>Extensive wetlands on the northern extreme of the property transition into the steep sided Millers River valley at the southern end of the WMA. Mixed hardwoods, white pine and hemlock dominate the forest while a powerline right-of-way offers extensive shrub and edge habitat.</b>
<b>WATER:</b>	<b>The Millers River main stem flows through the majority of the disjunct parcels that comprise the WMA. Parts of Lawrence, Dunham, Priest and Gulf Brooks also flow through the property. The Millers River Catch and Release fishing area begins in South Royalston and ends in Athol.</b>  <b>Paige Pond is an old, shallow impoundment of about 15 acres.</b>
<b>WILDLIFE:</b>	<b>The Millers River is an excellent stocked trout water in the spring and early summer. Moose, white-tailed deer and eastern coyote are common in the area. Forest dwelling birds such as pileated woodpeckers, vireos and a variety of warblers nest here.</b>
<b>SPECIAL REGULATIONS:</b>	<b>Several privately owned parcels subject to a Conservation Restriction (easement) are designated (CE) on the map. The easement provides for public access consistent with WMA regulations. Please respect private property.</b>