

# MassWildlife Lands User Guide

## East Mountain Wildlife Management Area

**Towns:** Holyoke, Westfield

**Acreage:** 455

**Wildlife Management Zone:** 4S

### Description of property:

This property consists of five separate parcels that follow the length of East Mountain. Upland transitional hardwood forests of oak, sugar maple, and birch are the major cover type on this steeply-sloped property.

### Location/Access/Parking:

No official parking lots exist. However, access can be made from Cherry Street Extension (West Cherry Street) which runs through the parcel and is gated at both ends. Another access is from Easthampton Road (Route 141) where the old road becomes a major pullout. This is about 250 feet from Southampton Road for the northerly opening and about 1100 feet for the southerly opening.

### Habitat Management:

This WMA is not currently in active management but is reviewed annually regarding the need for forest cutting plans.

### Hunting Opportunities:

Hunting opportunities abound for mature forest species such as White-tailed Deer, Black Bear, Eastern Coyote, and Gray Squirrel.

### Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

All of this WMA is mapped under *BioMap2*, the state's biodiversity conservation plan, as Core Habitat. This WMA provides quality habitat for numerous species of conservation concern. The hard basalt bedrock of East Mountain provides a mineral-rich soil for many uncommon plants. Numerous vernal pools are perched on the ridge as well. The New England National Scenic Trail also known as the Metacomet-Monadnock Trail runs through portions of the property.

### Special WMA Regulations:

None



### Useful Links:

[WMA Regulations](#)

[Habitat Program](#)

[Hunting & Fishing](#)

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