

# MassWildlife Lands User Guide Tully Mountain Wildlife Management Area

**Towns:** Orange **Acreage:** 645

Wildlife Management Zone: 5

# **Description of property:**

This property covers most of Tully Mountain and the surrounding hillsides along the West Branch of the Tully River. This WMA is predominantly comprised of mature upland forest of northern hardwoods (maple, beech, birch) intermixed with oak, white pine and hemlock. Beaver-created wetlands occur where Collar Brook flows into the Tully River in the broad plain known locally as "Tully Meadows". A small field dotted with apple trees can be found at the end of Mountain Road. Another 693 acres of DFW Wildlife Conservation Easements (WCE) surround this WMA providing increased habitat and public access opportunities.

# Location/Access/Parking

The property can be accessed from Tully Road and Mountain Road. A gravel parking area that can accommodate five vehicles is located at the end of Mountain Road. On Tully Road is a grassy parking area for two cars. Parking areas are not maintained in the winter.

# **Habitat Management**

This property is not currently in active management but is reviewed annually regarding the need for forest cutting plans and other habitat management activities.

### **Hunting Opportunities**

This WMA provides hunting opportunities for White-tailed Deer, Black Bear, Wild Turkey and Eastern Coyote.

## **Fishing Opportunities:**

Tully River, West Branch provides fishing opportunities for native Brook Trout, Largemouth Bass and stocked trout species. Go to <a href="Mass.gov/Trout">Mass.gov/Trout</a> for more information. Collar Brook provides fishing opportunities for native Brook Trout.

# Wildlife Viewing and Other Features:

The "Tully Meadows" wetland area provides great birding opportunities. The Tully Trail goes through the WMA and to the top of Tully Mountain which offers extensive views of the surrounding hillsides. Note that the Tully Trail is not maintained by DFW; it is managed through several local nonprofit groups.

# **Special WMA Regulations:**

None

#### **Useful Links**

**WMA Regulations** 

**Habitat Program** 

**Hunting & Fishing** 

# Fishing/Hunting Licenses

Mass.gov/MassFishHunt

#### Learn more

Mass.gov/MassWildlife

#### Connect with us

Facebook.com/MassWildlife

# **Get Your Orange On!**

All outdoor users are encouraged to wear blaze orange during hunting seasons.

# Your local MassWildlife office 341 East Street Belchertown, MA 01007 (413) 323-7632