

ABBOTT BROOK WILDLIFE CONSERVATION EASEMENT
(Chester)

- Size: 812 acres. Elevations range from 480 to 1440 feet.
- Access: No formal parking areas. 230 feet of frontage along Old State Road and 1257 feet along Mica Mill Road (unimproved town road, recommended foot access only).
- Vegetation: Hemlock/Hardwoods and dense mountain laurel grow up the steep slopes along the main brook to a hemlock swamp. Oak/Hardwoods is another major forest type found here. Small diameter trees dominate the flat northern section.
- Water: The West Branch of the Westfield River forms the south boundary for ~5900 feet. Two perennial and several seasonal brooks flow south into the Westfield River. A small open wetland and several vernal pools can be found at the northern end of the property.
- Wildlife: Deer, turkeys, ruffed grouse, gray squirrels, bobcats and occasionally bears inhabit the area.
- Special Regulations: