#### Bolton Flats Wildlife Management Area Map 1 Legend: 455 Acres - Trail Mileage 3.0 Private land or easement Please stay Bolton on trail Town or Conservation Harvard Land Please obey trail restrictions Lake or Pond Permanent water Nashua River Wetlands 3 Primary trail Lancaster Secondary trail No access Route of Gas Pipeline Marsh or Swamp Red Barn visible from Wooded area rte 110 Stone wall Vaughn Hills Parking till River Map 2 4 Photo location Kettle Point of interest Hole Private mentioned in the text Gas pipeline route farm Trail susceptible (no public access) land to flooding (no Vaughn Hill Rd. Bridge access Kett Kiosk Hole Car top boat Rd. launch area Still River Rd./110 Click for GPS Nashua River in KMZ Main Street/117 0.5 miles 1000 ft Map made by Bolton Trails Committee with MassMapper data and route locations collected by volunteers © Bolton Conservation Contour lines at 20' intervals Trust 2025 Regulations: This area is under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. https://www.mass.gov/orgs/division-of-fisheries-and-wildlife Regulations and hunting schedules are posted at the trailheads and parking lots. Check the hunting schedules before entering this area. Copyright © Bolton Conservation Trust 2025





Kiosk at the 117 entrance near the Lancaster town line.



Nashua River



Woods in Winter



Red Wing Blackbird

**Bolton Flats Wildlife Management Area:** This important flood plain along the Nashua River was originally named "Intervale" because of its location between hills. It is a primary habitat for migrating birds and offers opportunities for many recreational activities such as canoeing, fishing, bird watching, and hiking. Hunting is allowed in this area in season, so please take note of the posted schedules.

## Parking:

- 388 Still River Rd. Car-top boat launch and seasonal access to trails. 42.469058, -71.630303
- 0.6 miles north of Still River Rd. traffic lights. 2 Few trails accessible. Car-top boat launch a short walk. 42.460556, -71.637333
- 0.35 miles west of the traffic lights on Route 117, just in Lancaster. Longest Trails 42.457500, -71.648806
- 0.82 miles west of the traffic lights on Route 117 (0.5 miles into Lancaster, not on map). Nashua River car-top launch. No access to the trail system. 42.461389, -71.656972

Connections: The Vaughn Hills area (Map 2) is very close and can be accessed via a short walk north along Still River Rd. At the Vaughn Hill Rd. junction turn right and walk to the Moen parking area and kiosk.

Suggested walks: Short, Medium and long - Start at 3 and explore the trail towards Harvard. Although this is a flat trail, it is subject to seasonal flooding. up to 6 miles

Very long - The western end of the incomplete Bolton Loop Trail lies at the Red Barn (388 Still River Rd.) parking lot. 11 miles



**(5**) Shagbark hickory in Winter

**Dogs:** Note that as with all wildlife management areas, there are restrictions on dogs. Please check the strictly enforced rules posted at the kiosks.









# Bolton Conservation Land Rules and Regulations.

The Bolton Conservation Commission welcomes responsible public use and enjoyment of land under its stewardship. Pursuant to MGL Chapter 40, Section 8c, the Conservation Commission has adopted these rules and regulations to provide a pleasurable experience for users and in order to preserve and protect in perpetuity the wildlife, ecological, environmental, and conservation values of these properties which include:

- · Protection of surface and groundwater resources
- · Protection of unfragmented forest habitat
- Protection of wildlife habitat
- Protection of open space and the Town's trails system.

### **Prohibitions**

- Hunting, trapping and discharging of firearms, arrows, paintballs, and pellets
- Motor vehicles, except for emergency response or municipal vehicles
- Dumping and/or littering
- · Alcoholic beverages and glass containers
- Smoking
- Swimming except by waders at the Tom Denney Nature Camp

# Advance permission needed in writing from the Bolton Conservation Commission for the following:

- Camping
- Fires
- Memorials or Displays
- Building new trails, extensions, and modifications to existing trails
- Cutting, removing, or damaging vegetation, except for the control of invasive species
- Collecting dead or downed wood, rocks or wildlife Any activities or uses not set forth here require the prior written permission of the Bolton Conservation Commission.

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Dogs may be walked on conservation land as long as they are under effective control of a person. People walking dogs shall remove feces from trails and all environmentally sensitive areas. Please keep dogs out of vernal pools during breeding season for frogs and salamanders (generally mid-February through April). Do not let dogs chase or harass wildlife.





