

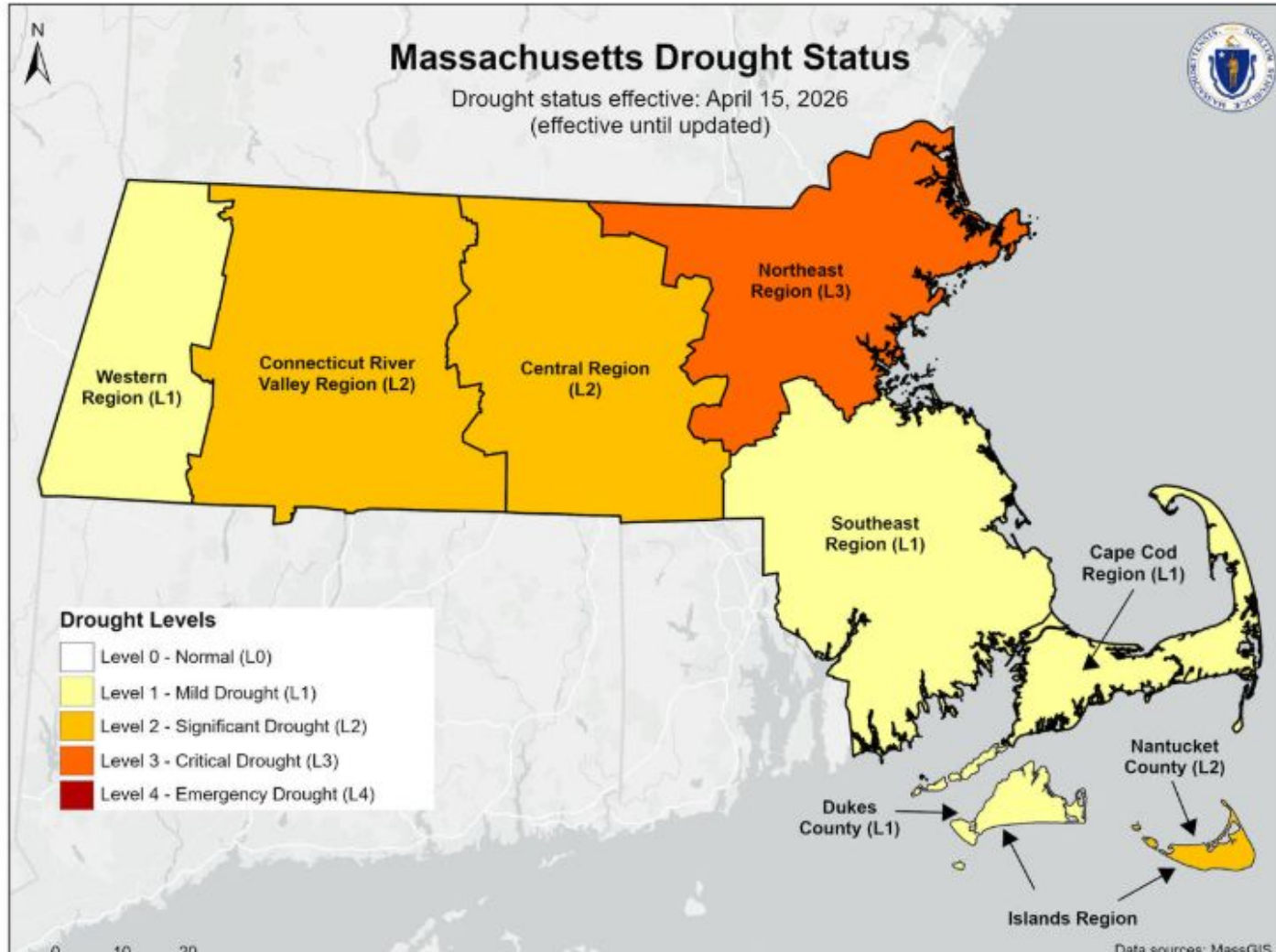
River Ambassador's Report

SuAsCo Wild & Scenic

RSC Meeting

May 26, 2026

Drought Status



Issued April 15, 2026

During the first two weeks of May, much of the Northeast Region received only 0.5 to 1.5 inches of rain. Rivers and streams throughout the region are running below normal levels, an indicator that groundwater continues to shrink.

As outlined in the Massachusetts Drought Management Plan, a Level 3 – Critical Drought requires affected communities to implement a ban on nonessential outdoor water use.

Billerica Updates

Talbot Dam Updates

- Conservation Commission Hearing Continued to 6/8/26
- CRT Development filed Complaint against HDC in Superior Court on March 12, 2026
 - Seeking to annul denied CRT's application for a Certificate of Appropriateness, Non-applicability, or Hardship related to removal of the dam
- Select Board named town counsel in suit but voted not to expend town funds for attorneys to defend



Billerica Water Chestnut Removal

Organized by Marlies

Billerica Water Chestnut Pull

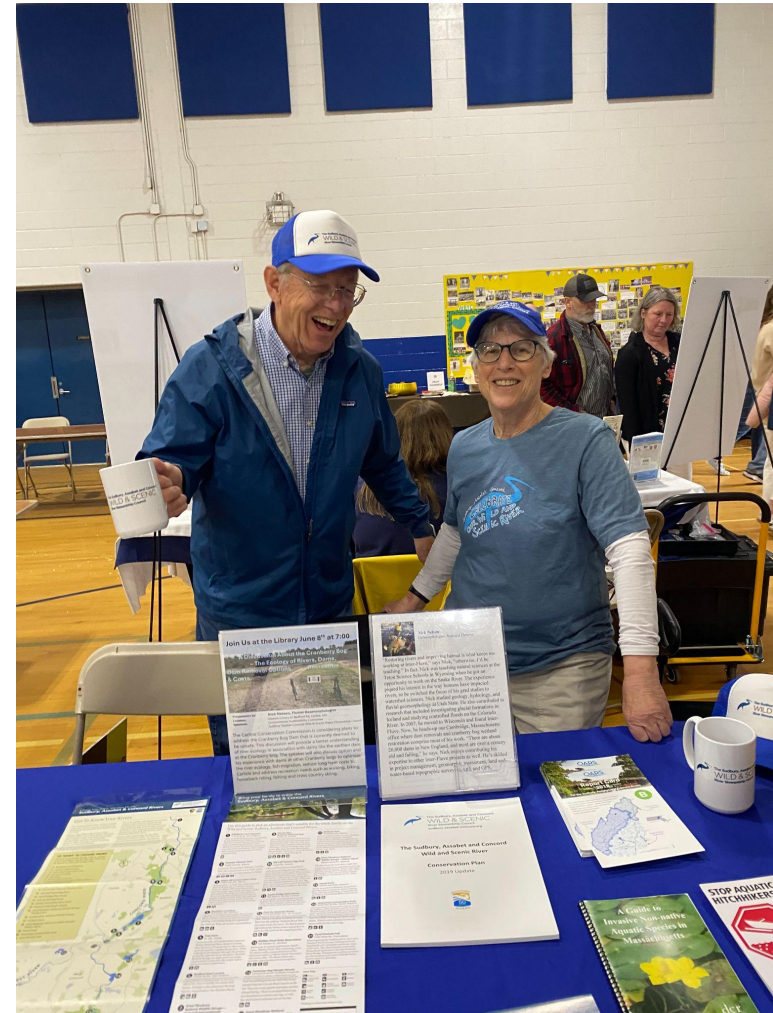
May 30 - May 30, 2026

Register to participate here [It's a Water Chestnut Pull Party!](#)
Join this free, hands-on event and get down & dirty removing aquatic invasive vegetation. WHEN: May 30, 10am-12pm
WHERE: Bartlett's Landing, Billerica, MA Details: Invasive water chestnut (*Trapa natans*) is a noxious aquatic plant forming dense, floating mats that choke waterways, displacing native species, hindering recreation, and reducing oxygen in the river. Control involves hand-pulling. Come out to help pull water chestnut that has invaded a Wild & Scenic section of the Concord River. Billerica Recreation offers free use of their canoes (or BYOBoat) launching from [...]



Carlisle Route to Sustainability Day

May 3, 2026



Carlisle Water Chestnut Pull

Organized by Jonathan



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Saturday, June 13, 2026 at 9 AM

Concord River Water Chestnut Pull

Bedford Boat Ramp

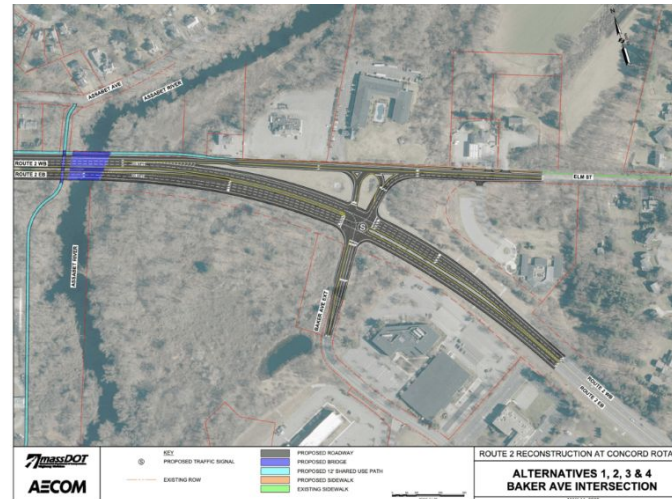
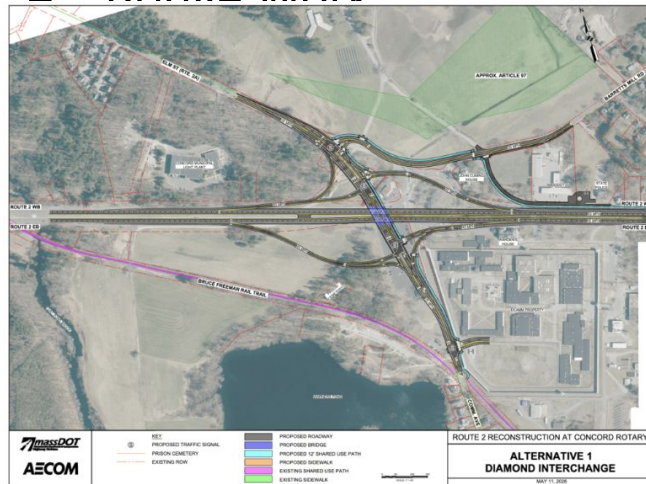
Concord Updates

MCI Concord Charrette - June 9th

- Preliminary Plan show walking trails along river
- Carlene will attend on behalf of RSC

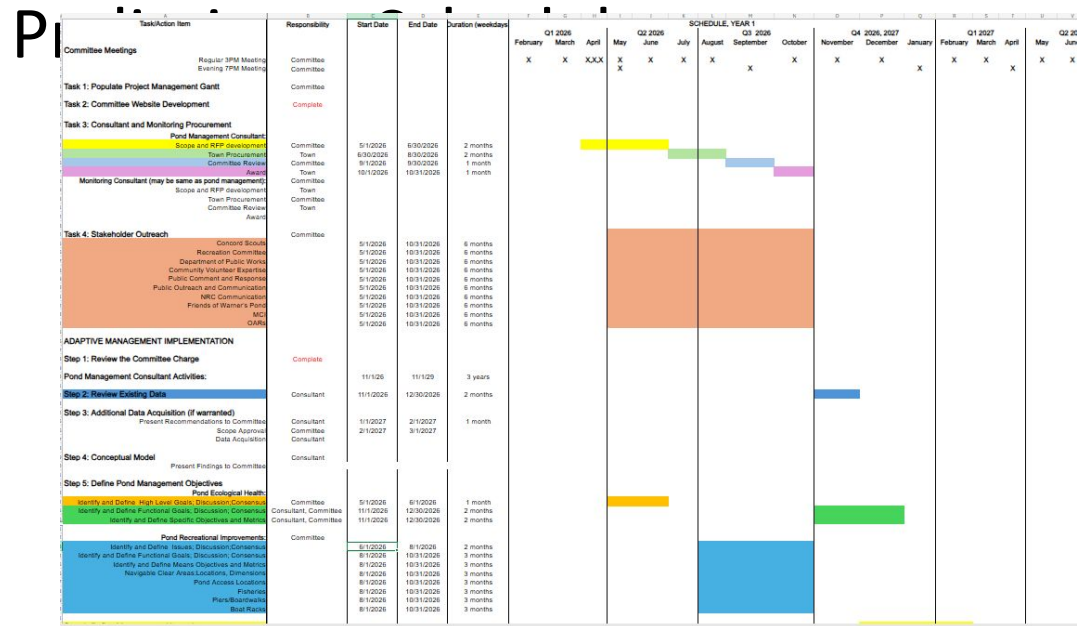
Route 2 Rotary and Baker Avenue Intersection Re-Design -

- ## Bridge Work



Warners Pond Update

Elissa required to resign due to potential violation of State Ethics Code



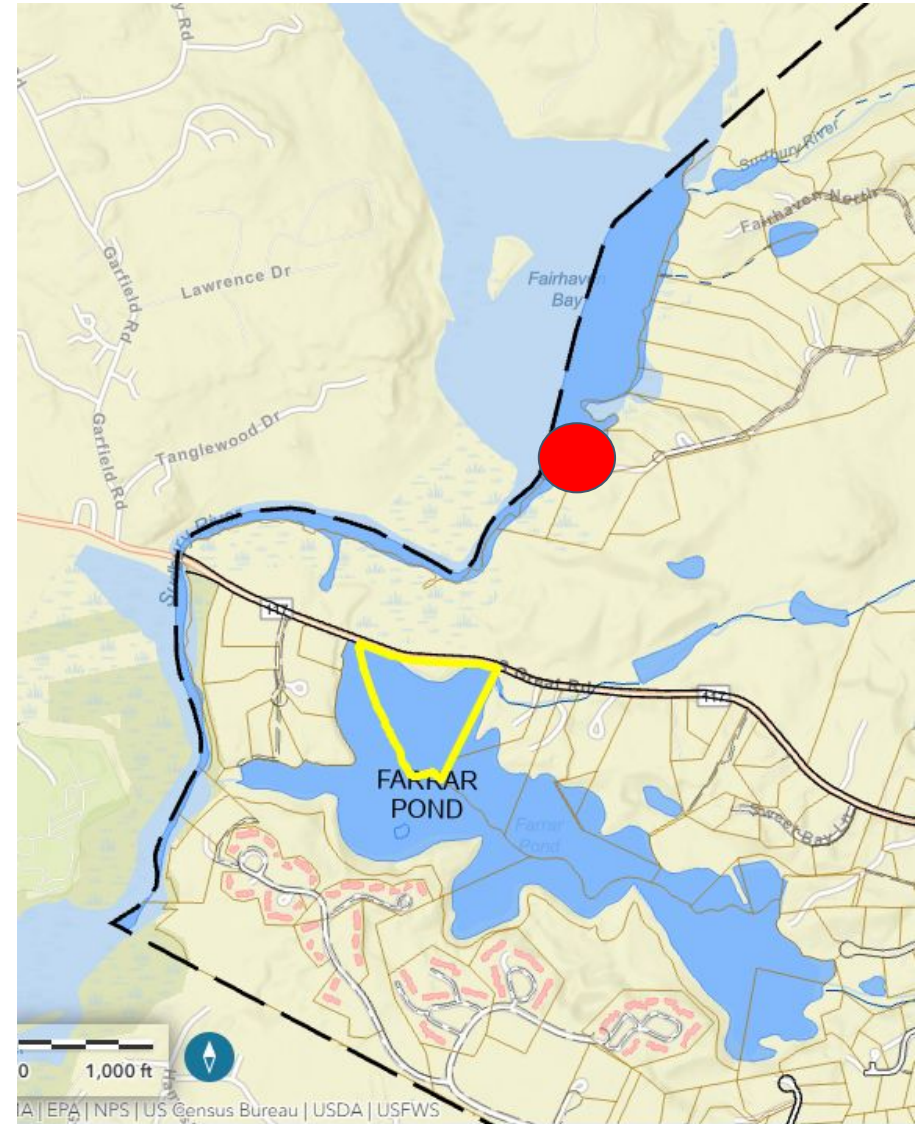
Lincoln

Fairhaven Bay Dock

- Not yet installed
- Letter sent to property owner on behalf of RSC

Violation -

- Board walk along South Great Road



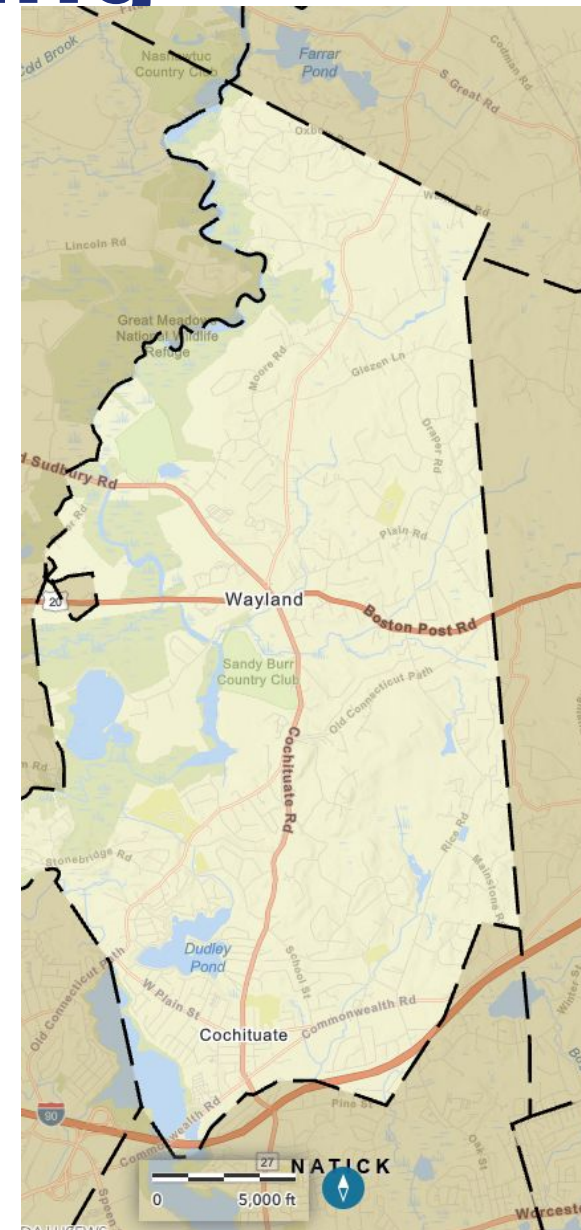
Wayland Town Meeting

Community Preservation Act - Passed

- Heard Farm Tree Preservation
 - Save large trees from bittersweet vines
- Heard Pond Herbicide Treatment
 - 13-acre South Cove
- Pine Diversity Initiative - Sedge Meadow
- Dudley Pond Water Mgmt Plan

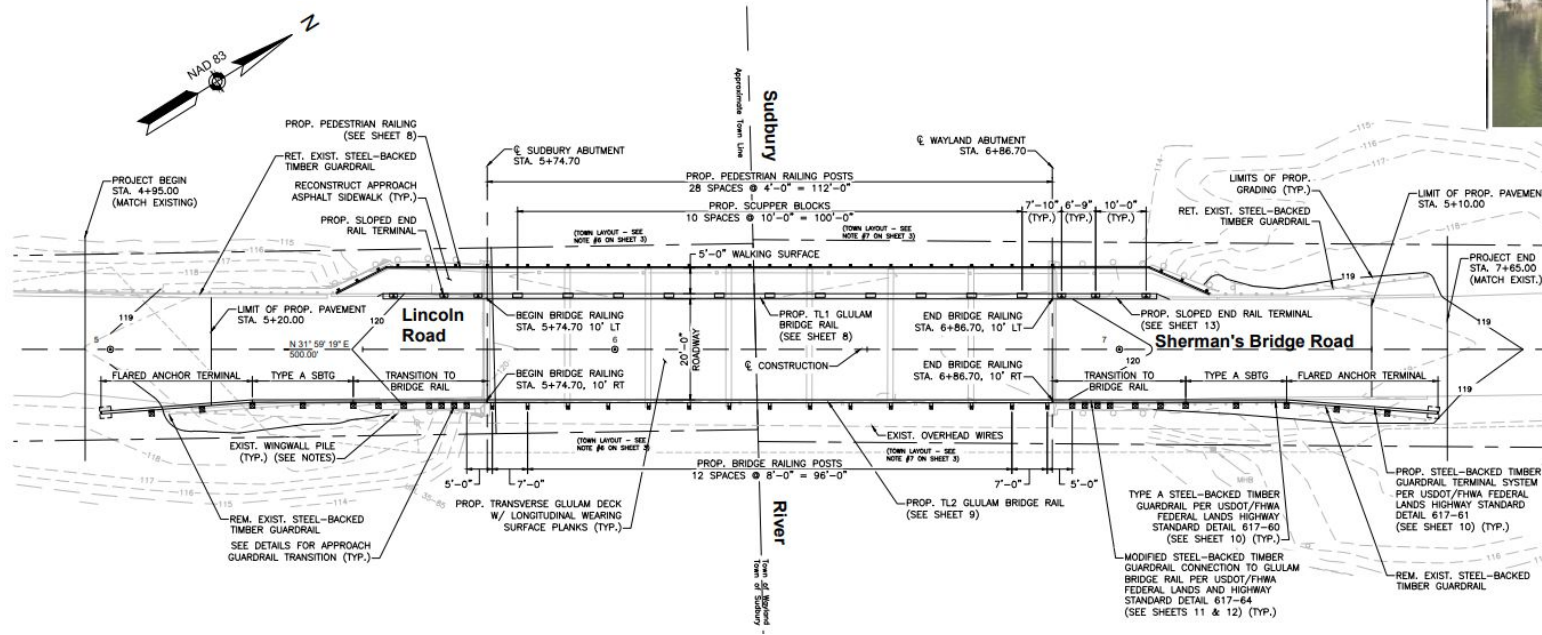
Sherman's Bridge Town Meeting Warrant Articles - Petition - Indefinitely Postponed or Not Passed

- Second Pedestrian Walkway
- 5-ton Weight Limit
- Renegotiate Neighborhood Agreement
- 20 MPH Speed Limit and other safety improvements
- Vehicle Road User Law Improvements



Sherman's Bridge

Notice of Intent Filed with Wayland and Sudbury Conservation Commissions

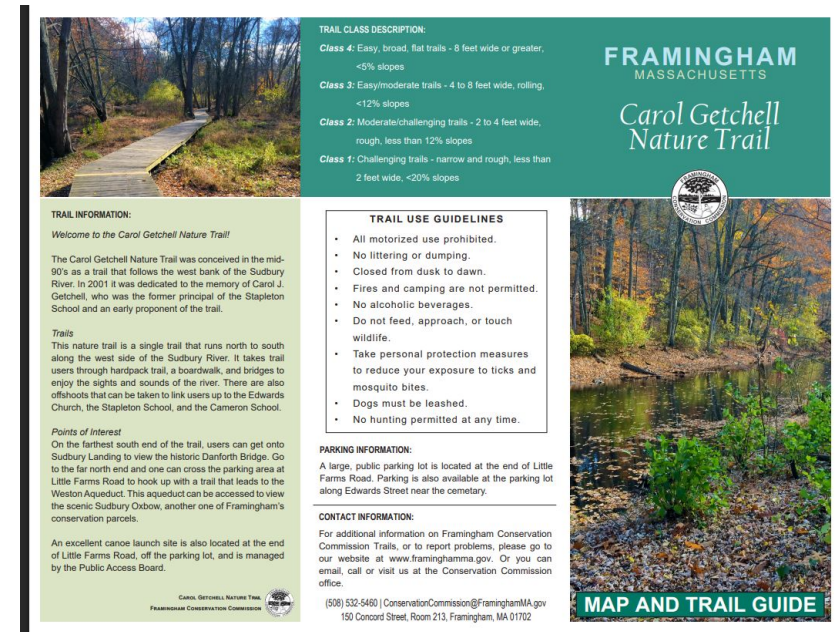
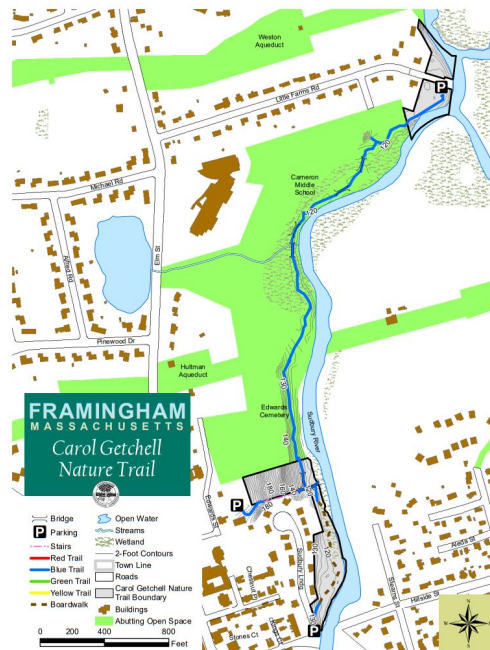


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Framingham

CPA Funding Approved

- Carol Getchell Trail - Middle Section



SuAsCo Roadway Sign Update

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	SuAsCo Wild and Sc	Lincoln Rd - Sherman's Bridge										
2	City/Town	Road	River	Sign?	Condition	Date (month/yr)		replace				
3												
4	Billerica	Rte 3 - Eastbound ('South')	Concord	installed 2017	good	5/26		no				
5		Rte 3 - Westbound ('North')	Concord	installed 2017	lost in 2026	5/26		yes: 1				
6												
7	Bedford	Nashua Rd (Rte 4?) both directions	Concord	replaced 2017	both good	5/26		no				
8		Carlisle Road Rte 225 Westbound	Concord	Present	Good	5/26						
9	Carlisle	Bedford Rd - Route 225 Eastbound	Concord	Missing								
10												
11	Concord	Monument St - Northbound	Concord									
12		Monument St - Southbound	Concord									
13		Lowell Road - Northbound	Concord									
14		Lowell Rd - Southbound	Sudbury									
15		Nashawtuc Road - Northbound	Sudbury									
16		Nashawtuc Road - Southbound	Sudbury									
17		Elm Street - Eastbound	Sudbury									
18		Elm Street - Westbound	Sudbury									
19		Main Street @ South Bridge - Eastbound	Sudbury									
20		Main Street @ South Bridge - Westbound	Sudbury									
21		Route 2 - Eastbound	Sudbury									
22		Route 2 - Westbound	Sudbury									
23		Sudbury Road - Southbound	Sudbury									
24		Sudbury Road - Northbound	Sudbury									
25		Rte 2 - Eastbound	Assabet	Present	Good							
26		Rte 2 - Westbound	Assabet	Present	Worn							
27		Main St @ W Concord	Assabet									
28		Main St @ Damonmill	Assabet									
29		Main St@ Damonmill	Assabet									
30												
31	Lincoln	S Great Rd - Rte 117 Eastbound	Sudbury	Present	good	5/26		no				
32		S Great Rd - Rte 117 Westbound	Sudbury	Present	good	5/26		no				
33												
34	Wayland	Sherman's Bridge Westbound	Sudbury	Missing		5/26		yes				
35		Boston Post Rd - Rte 20 - Eastbound	Sudbury	present	good	5/26		no				
36		Boston Post Rd - Rte 20 - Westbound	Sudbury	present	good	5/26		no				

Miscellaneous

Attended

- MA Rivers Alliance - Partnership W&S Rivers Webinar, Section 7 Training
- Concord Conservation Coffee
- MCI Concord Land Use Working Group
- Warners Pond Management Committee

Administrative Tasks

- Prepared and sent out MOUs for Partner Grants
- Set up RSC Zoom account

On the River

- Trash removal, Map Re-Stocking
- Checking on aquatic invasives and shoreline activities
- Garlic Mustard removal on Sudbury and Assabet Rivers



Inside Fairhaven Bay Boathouse