

## NORFOLK Priority Habitats and Estimated Habitats

*Priority Habitats, for use with the MA Endangered Species Act Regulations (321 CMR 10)*  
*Estimated Habitats, for use with the MA Wetlands Protection Act Regulations (310 CMR 10)*  
**Effective August 1, 2017**

Priority Habitat of Rare Species

Project or Activity falls within Priority Habitat only:  
 - You must file directly with NHESP pursuant to Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA)

Examples of projects: single family home, subdivision, commercial building, widening of driveway/road, beaver dam removal, etc.

Some projects or activities may be exempt from MESA  
 filing: see 321 CMR 10.14

Priority Habitat of Rare Species and also Estimated Habitat of Rare Wildlife

Project or Activity is within BOTH Estimated Habitat and Priority Habitat:  
 - Is a Notice of Intent (NOI) under wetlands regulations required?  
 -Yes  
 Send copy of NOI to NHESP and must also file under MESA (streamlined MESA-NOI filing option available)  
 -No  
 MESA filing only (see 'Priority Habitat' details at left)

*For more information, see our website at: [www.mass.gov/nhesp](http://www.mass.gov/nhesp)*

Certified Vernal Pools (as of June 30, 2017)

Town Boundary

Transportation:

Interstate

U.S. Highway

State Route

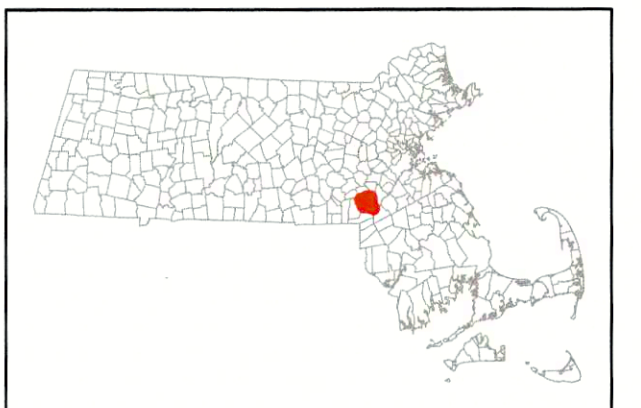
Non-numbered Route

Railroad



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**Data Sources:**  
 Priority Habitats and Estimated Habitats: created by NHESP in 2017.  
 Certified Vernal Pools: created by NHESP, JUNE 30, 2017.  
 Town Boundaries: 1:25,000 community boundary data, from MassGIS (updated March, 2017).  
 Roads: MassDOT roads, from MassGIS (updated 2014).  
 Digital Orthophoto: 30cm resolution, taken in 2013/2014, from MassGIS.



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