

About This Property

SVT and the Town of Harvard share ownership of these stunning properties that provide essential habitat for numerous species of wildlife. With help from private donors, SVT purchased the 48 acres in Littleton, while the Town of Harvard purchased the 12 acres in Harvard. SVT manages the trails on both properties. The Littleton Conservation Trust holds a conservation restriction over all 60 acres.

Features of Note

- Smith Conservation Land lies within the Stony Brook Watershed, whose waters flow into the Merrimack River.
- Stone walls, foundations, stairs, and remains of wells point to the land's agricultural past.
- Vernal pools here provide habitat for numerous species, including salamanders and frogs.
- Bobcats, bears, and porcupines have also been spotted here.
- The yellow trail on the ridge overlooking Black Pond offers wonderful birding opportunities.
- From the red trail, look across Beaver Brook Marsh for several great blue heron nests, sitting atop dead standing trees.
- Look for remains of a glacial esker in the middle of the red loop.
- Glacial erratics, including a perched erratic, are located throughout the property.
- Both metamorphic (schist and gneiss) and igneous (granitic) bedrock outcrops can be found here.
- Non-native invasive plants, including Oriental bittersweet, are degrading the wildlife habitat.
 SVT will be working to remove invasive plants and enhance the land's ecological value.

Learn more:

www.svtweb.org/Smith



Trail Policies and Regulations

These policies apply to Smith Conservation Land. Properties owned by other entities have their own posted policies.

The following are prohibited:

- · Motorized vehicles
- Camping
- Bicycling
- Fires
- Disposing of trash or yard waste
- Cutting or removing plants

Dog walkers:

- Dogs must be on leash.
- Pick up and dispose of dog waste.
- · Keep dogs on trails.
- Keep dogs out of ponds/streams/vernal pools.

See our full dog-walking policy on the trail head kiosk.

Directions

With mapping software, search for this address: 199 Whitcomb Avenue, Littleton, MA

If driving from Route 2, take Exit 39 for Taylor Street, and turn left onto Taylor Street toward Littleton. Take a left immediately after the Route 2 ramps, onto Porter Road. Drive for 0.5 mile and turn left onto Whitcomb Avenue. After approximately 0.8 mile, the Smith parking area will be on your right and is marked by a "Smith Conservation Land" sign and welcome kiosk. Please be careful not to park on private property.

Support SVT

SVT protects open spaces and natural areas in 36 communities around the Sudbury, Assabet, and Concord Rivers. We care for thousands of acres of land that provide habitat for native wildlife, and we maintain more than 65 miles of trails for public enjoyment. SVT relies upon the support of our members to be successful.

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Smith Conservation Land Trail Map



LITTLETON HARVARD



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