About This Property

Finding a way to protect the fields, woods, and flood plain at Wayland's Watertown Dairy—an expansive farm near the Sudbury River in the northern part of town—had been on SVT's wish list since its founding in 1953.

It took collaboration with local, state, and federal agencies and funding from a variety of public and private sources to finally protect, in 1989, what is now the Town of Wayland's Sedge Meadow Conservation Area.

As part of the collaboration, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service purchased 143 acres of the farm and added them to the adjacent Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge.

SVT retained a 0.9-acre trail head on Glezen Lane as well as a small outlying parcel.

Features of Note

- These trails skirt fields leased to a local farmer, and they take walkers along the edge of the river marshes in the Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge.
- The Bay Circuit Trail (BCT) crosses this property; the BCT stretches 200 miles through eastern Massachusetts, from Plum Island on the North Shore to Kingston on the South Shore.
- This is prime agricultural land, benefiting from rich loam deposited in glacial Lake Sudbury.
- There is evidence of Native American summer settlements here. Their clearings were later used by early European settlers.
- The fields attract a variety of butterflies and birds, including woodcock and raptors.
- The knoll in the northernmost field can provide a view in early spring and late fall of goldeneyes, mergansers, and buffleheads on the river.

Learn more: www.svtweb.org/BlackCatFarm

Trail Policies and Regulations

These policies apply to SVT properties on the map. Properties owned by other entities have their own posted policies.

The following are prohibited:

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

Dog walkers:

- Pick up and dispose of dog waste.
- Keep dogs on trails.
- Keep dogs out of ponds/streams/vernal pools.
- Put dogs on a leash when other hikers approach.

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

Directions

With mapping software, search for this address: 46 Glezen Lane, Wayland, MA

From Wayland Center (intersection of Routes 20, 27, and 126), take Route 27 north toward Sudbury for 0.9 mile. Turn right onto Glezen Lane. Go 0.4 mile. Parking lot and trail access is on the left between house numbers 42 and 48.

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 60 miles of trails for public enjoyment.

SVT relies upon the support of our members to be successful.

Join Us! Help protect these lands forever. www.svtweb.org

Black Cat Farm Trail Map



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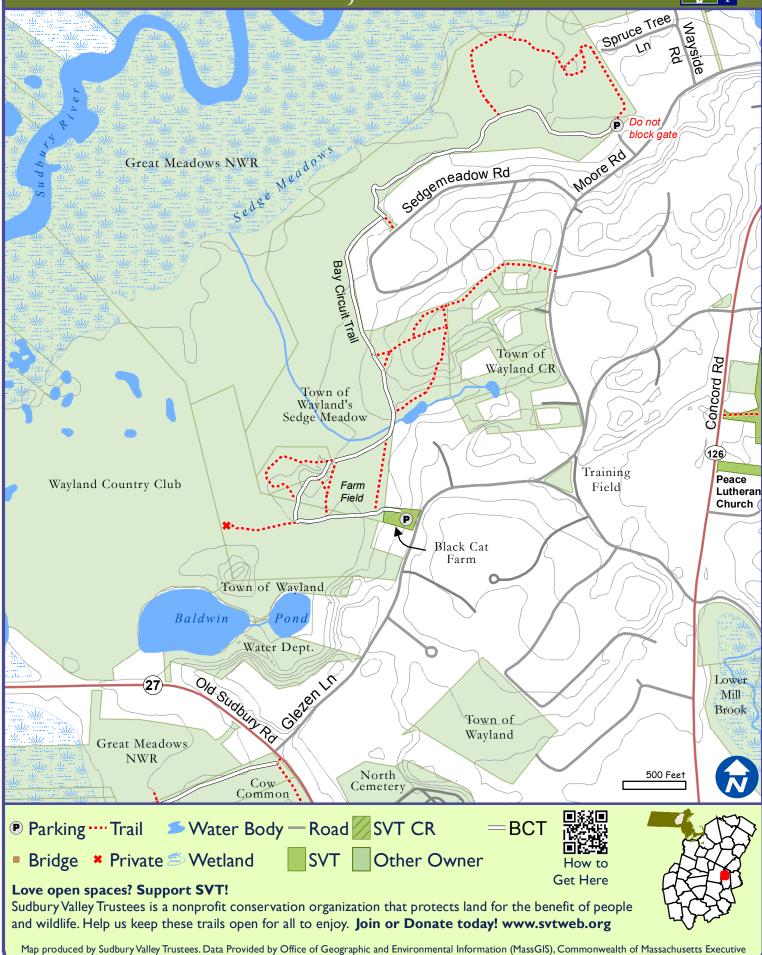
This map includes trails that cross properties owned and maintained by the Town of Wayland Conservation Commission and Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge.



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