About This Property

SVT’s Cedar Hill and Sawink Farm Reservations are part of the Crane Swamp Conservation Area, which covers 2,225 acres and includes lands owned by Massachusetts Water Resources Authority and several state agencies. These conserved lands help to protect the public water supply for 2.5 million people. Tributaries to the Assabet and Sudbury Rivers pass through the area.

The four small hills here, including Cedar Hill, are drumlins, or elongated hills of glacial drift. Sawink Farm was likely a subsistence farm in colonial times, with pastureland, cropland, and perhaps a woodlot.

Features of Note

• SVT’s trails connect to those on the state lands. The Westborough Charm Bracelet Trail (WCBT) and the new Boroughs Loop Trail also wind through the area.

• The centerpiece of the Crane Swamp Conservation Area is a 400-acre red maple swamp surrounded by a complex of open fields, wet meadows, ponds, pine plantations, and oak-pine forests, with Cedar Hill to the west and Walnut Hill to the northeast.

• At Cedar Hill, SVT is restoring a shrub habitat that is essential for birds such as eastern towhee and blue-winged warbler, as well as for some butterflies and other insects.

• On the north slope of Cedar Hill is a cleared patch where SVT is working to control Japanese barberry, an invasive shrub.

• Wildlife species in the area include bobcat, coyote, red fox, snowshoe hare, white-tailed deer, barred owl, ruffed grouse, American woodcock, spotted turtle, and monarch butterfly.

Learn more:
www.svtweb.org/CraneSwamp

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 (except by permission) 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: 40 Walker Street, Westborough, MA

To access from Sawink Farm, take I-495 to Exit 23B (Route 9W exit). Follow Route 9W for 1.1 miles to the Route 30 East (East Main Street) exit. Bear right onto East Main Street. Continue 1 mile to Walker Street. Turn left on Walker Street and continue down the hill to the SVT parking lot on the left.

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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.

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Cedar Swamp
Little Crane Swamp
Sawink Farm
Chauncy Lake
WALNUT HILL
Southborough Open Land Foundation

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