

A1 Site (Stump Pond), Westborough

General Information

A1 Site, sometimes called Stump Pond, is a 313 acre impoundment of the Assabet River located off Mill Road in Westborough. The average depth of A1 is 3 feet with a maximum of 19 feet and the water is brown in color with limited visibility. The entire shoreline lies with flood control land owned by the department of conservation and recreation and is undeveloped. The Back two thirds of the pond is a shallow expansive maze of aquatic vegetation, submerged stumps, and fallen timbers which are the remnants of the trees inundated during the formation of the pond. Take care in navigating this section to avoid capsizing or damaging prop blades. Better yet, leave the power motor at home and stick with an electric motor or a paddle.

Recreational Access

The town of Westborough manages a concrete ramp (71°38'1.862"W 42°15'56.721"N) and small gravel parking area suitable for 5 trailers off Mill rd. Additional parking is provided on the shoulders of Mill Rd. The immediate shoreline lies within public land and is accessible. Please contact the town offices of Westborough for additional information, fee structure, and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of A1.

Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, Black Crappie, Pumpkinseed, Brown Bullhead, White Sucker, and Golden Shiner. A1 Site is also occasionally stocked with Tiger Muskellunge when available. Please check the MassWildlife Northern Pike and Tiger Muskellunge stocking page online for stocking dates.

Fishing

For the fisherman looking for a unique and challenging pond for bass fishing, the A-1 Site is it. The majority of the pond is a maze of fallen trees and submerged stumps, brush, and root systems which provides excellent cover for fish. While Largemouth Bass in the 3 to 5 pound range are abundant, some skill is required to navigate safely through the pond and fish the abundance of structure successfully without losing tackle. As the summer progresses aquatic vegetation begins to crowd much of the physical structure making fishing ever more challenging. Make sure to have weedless lures on hand whenever you visit A1 to deal with vegetation and submerged timber. While challenging to fish, the productivity of A1 is without question and the dedicated angler will not be disappointed. The A1 Site has produced Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, and Black Crappie that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Sportfishing Awards Program.

Useful Links:

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Freshwater Fishing

Trout Stocking Information

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Westborough Concord River Watershed

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