



# Hinckley's Pond, Harwich

## General Information

Hinckley's Pond, also known as Pleasant Lake, is a 176-acre natural kettlehole pond with an average depth of 12 feet and a maximum depth of 27 feet. Transparency is generally poor to fair, extending to roughly six feet. The bottom is composed of sand, gravel and some rubble and there is scattered aquatic vegetation. The pond is fed by groundwater and connections to Seymour Pond, Long Pond and cranberry bogs and drains into the Herring River. The 1.7 miles of shoreline are developed with residential homes, cranberry bogs and a beach.

## Recreational Access

Due to its status as a Great Pond under the Colonial Ordinances of 1641-1647, anglers may pass over unimproved land on foot to access Hinckley's Pond for fishing. There is a six horsepower limit on outboard motors although there is no public access for launching boats. Foot access is available from the Cape Cod Rail Trail which borders the southeastern edge of the pond. Please contact MassWildlife for additional information and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of Hinckley's Pond.

## Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Pumpkinseed, Chain Pickerel, White Sucker, Banded Killifish, Tesselated Darter, American Eel, and Alewife. River herring, Alewife and Blueback Herring, run up the Herring River in the spring from Nantucket Sound to the Herring River Reservoir and then into Hinckley's Pond, Seymour Pond and Long Pond (Brewster/Harwich).

## Fishing

This is an excellent warmwater fishery where anglers can expect to catch Yellow Perch, White Perch, Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass and Pumpkinseed. Due to the abundant river herring forage base, gamefish have excellent growth rates with nice sized Smallmouth Bass and Largemouth Bass reported. Panfishing is also excellent with plenty of good Yellow and White Perch. Hinckley's Pond has produced Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Sunfish and Brown Bullhead that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Freshwater Sportfishing Awards Program.

## Useful Links:

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Prevent the transport of nuisance species.  
Clean all recreational equipment.  
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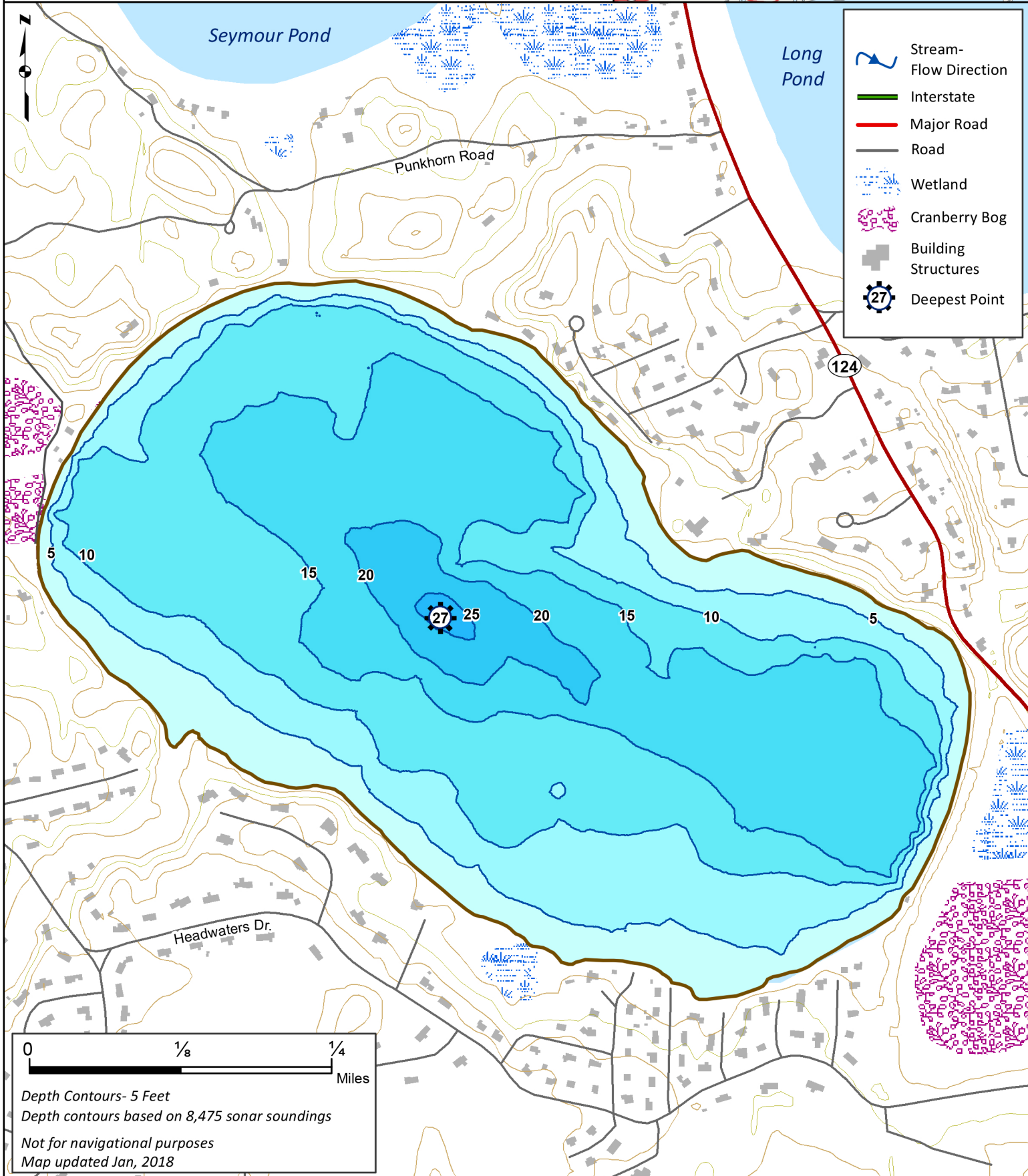
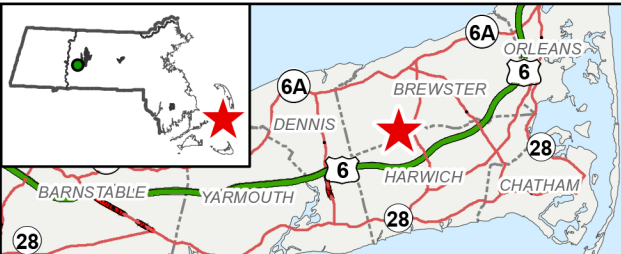
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Harwich

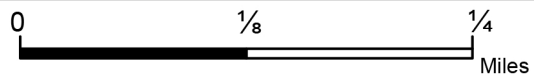
Cape Cod Watershed

Coordinates: 70° 5'50.17"W 41°42'50.76"N

USGS QUAD: HARWICH



- Stream-Flow Direction
- Interstate
- Major Road
- Road
- Wetland
- Cranberry Bog
- Building Structures
- Deepest Point



Depth Contours- 5 Feet  
Depth contours based on 8,475 sonar soundings  
Not for navigational purposes  
Map updated Jan, 2018