

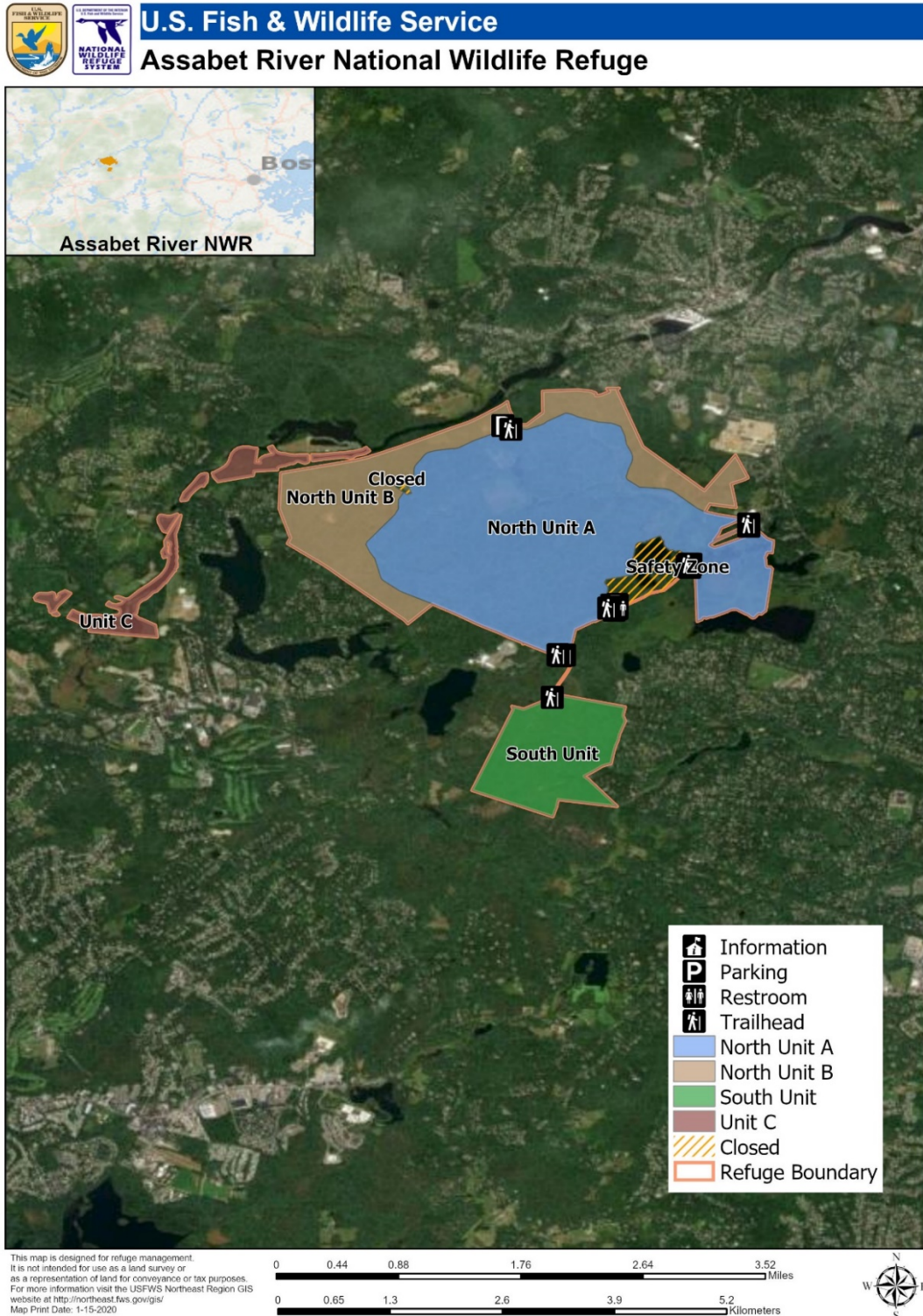
# 2020-21 Hunting & Fishing Plan Summary

## Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge

Comparisons of proposed changes for 2020-2021 seasons w/ State Regulations

Assabet National Wildlife Refuge is located Wildlife Management Zone 10

\*No proposals to open Safety Zone and Closed area for hunting



## Assabet River NWR Summary of Current and Proposed Changes by Hunt Units and Species

C= Currently Opened for Species

X= New Opportunity

S= Special Hunts Only

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Hunt Unit	Acres	Method of Take	Bear	Coyote	Deer	Fox	Grouse	Rabbit	Squirrel	Turkey	Waterfowl	Woodcock
North Unit A	1,332		X	X	C	X	C	C	C	C	S	C
North Unit B	520	Archery Only	X	X	C	X				C		
Unit C	123	Archery Only (Except Waterfowl)	X	X	X	X				X	X	
South Unit	298	Archery Only	X	X	C	X				C		
<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>2273</b>		<b>2273</b>	<b>2273</b>	<b>2273</b>	<b>2273</b>	<b>1332</b>	<b>1332</b>	<b>1332</b>	<b>2273</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>1332</b>

## Assabet River NWR Summary of Proposed Changes by Species

(If there are no changes to the hunt opportunity of the species, it is not listed in the table. Please see our current hunt brochure to learn about the current refuge regulations for that species)

Species	Hunt Unit	Method of take	Additional Refuge Regulations (Dates approximate)	MA Regulations (For comparison)
Coyote	North Unit A*	Align w/ State	Only concurrent w/ deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 10/13-3/7 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
	North Unit B Unit C South Unit	Archery Only	Only concurrent with deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of Hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 10/13-3/7 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
Fox	North Unit A*	Align w/ State	Refuge Season: Only concurrent with deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 11/2-2/27 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
	North Unit B Unit C South Unit	Archery Only	Refuge Season: Only concurrent with deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 11/2-2/27 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
Turkey	North Unit A*	Align w/ State	Currently open for Archery, Shotgun, muzzleloader Currently Spring Season Only Proposing to Add Fall Season	Spring: 4/2/27-5/23 Fall: 10/5-11/28
	Unit C	Archery Only	Proposing to open for Spring and Fall Season	Spring: 4/2/27-5/23 Fall: 10/5-11/28
	North Unit B South Unit	Archery Only	Current open: Spring Season Only Proposing to Add Fall Season	Spring: 4/2/27-5/23 Fall: 10/5-11/28

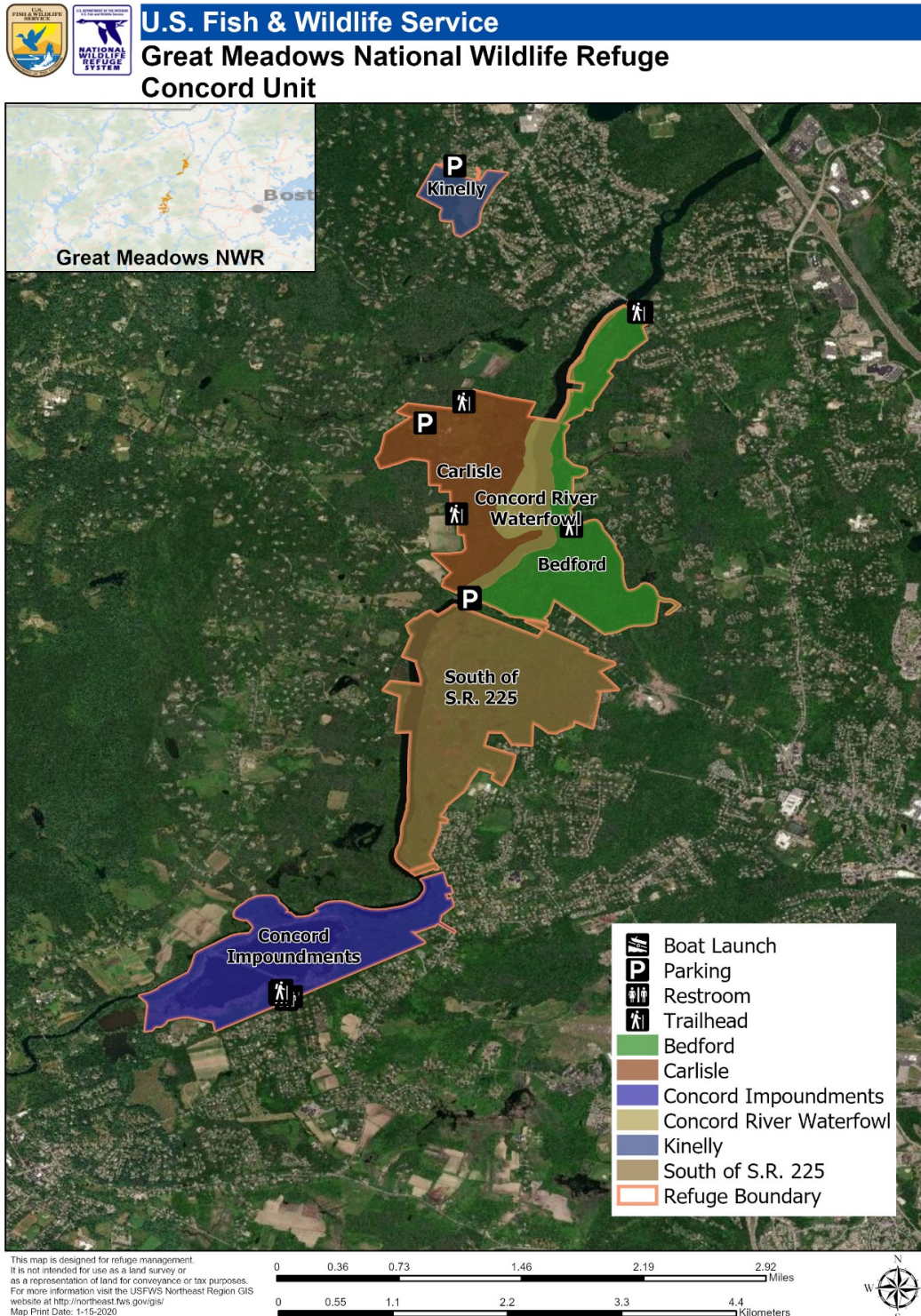
Species	Hunt Unit	Method of take	Additional Refuge Regulations (Dates approximate)	MA Regulations (For comparison)
Waterfowl	Unit C North Unit A*	Align w/ State	Unit C would only be open for Special Refuge Sponsored Hunts targeting veterans, persons w/ disabilities, youth, and underserved user groups (Refuge would be closed on day of special hunt)	Season dependent on Species Earliest: 9/2, Latest: 2/15
White-Tailed Deer	Unit C	Archery Only	Archery Only Hunters can hunt all 3 season w/ Archery equipment only in Unit C.	Archery (10/5-11/28) Shotgun (11/30-12/12) Muzzleloader (12/14-12/31)
Bear	North Unit A*	Align w/ State	Proposing to open during State's 2nd Season & shotgun season only (11/2-11/21 and 11/30-12/12)	1st Season: 9/8-9/26 2nd Season: 11/2-11/21 3rd Season: 11/30-12/12
	North Unit B South Unit Unit C	Archery Only	Proposing to open during State's 2nd Season & shotgun season only (11/2-11/21 and 11/30-12/12)	1st Season: 9/8-9/26 2nd Season: 11/2-11/21 3rd Season: 11/30-12/12



# 2020-21 Hunting & Fishing Plan Summary

## Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge

Comparisons of proposed changes for 2020-2021 seasons w/ State Regulations  
Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge is located Wildlife Management Zone 10



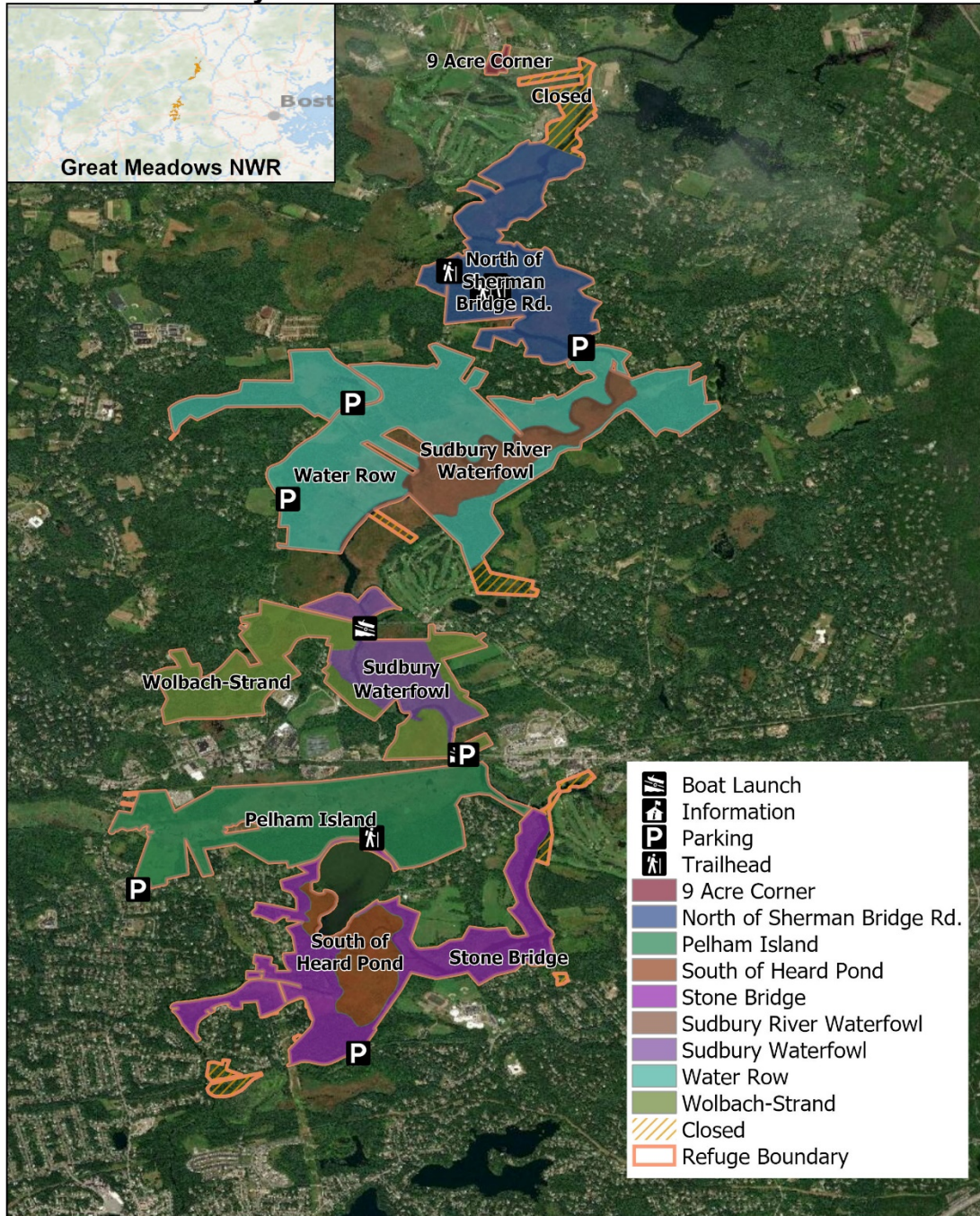




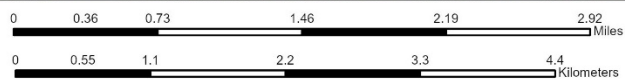
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## Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge

### Sudbury Unit



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## Great Meadows NWR Summary of Current and Proposed Changes by Hunt Units and Species

C= Currently Opened for Species

X= New Opportunity

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Hunt Unit (Archery Only for all hunt Units, except for waterfowl)	Acres	Bear	Deer	Coyote	Turkey	Waterfowl
<b>CONCORD UNIT</b>						
Bedford	279	X	C	X	X	
Carlisle	259	X	C	X	X	
Concord River Waterfowl	109	X	C	X	X	C
Kinnelly	53	X	C	X	X	
South of SR 225	484		X	X	X	
<b>SUDBURY UNIT</b>						
North of Sherman Bridge Rd	294		X	X	X	X
Water Row	628	X	C	X	X	
Sudbury River Waterfowl	274	X	C	X	X	C
Wolbach Strand	237	X	C	X	X	
Pelham Island	376	X	C	X	X	X
Stone Bridge	303	X	C	X	X	
South of Heard Pond	105	X	C	X	X	C
<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>3,401</b>	2,623	3,401	3,401	3,401	1,004**

\*\* Acres open to waterfowl may only reflect a portion of the hunt unit to reflect riverine and wetland areas. See Figures 2 and 3 for specific waterfowl hunting areas.

## Great Meadows NWR Summary of Proposed Changes by Species

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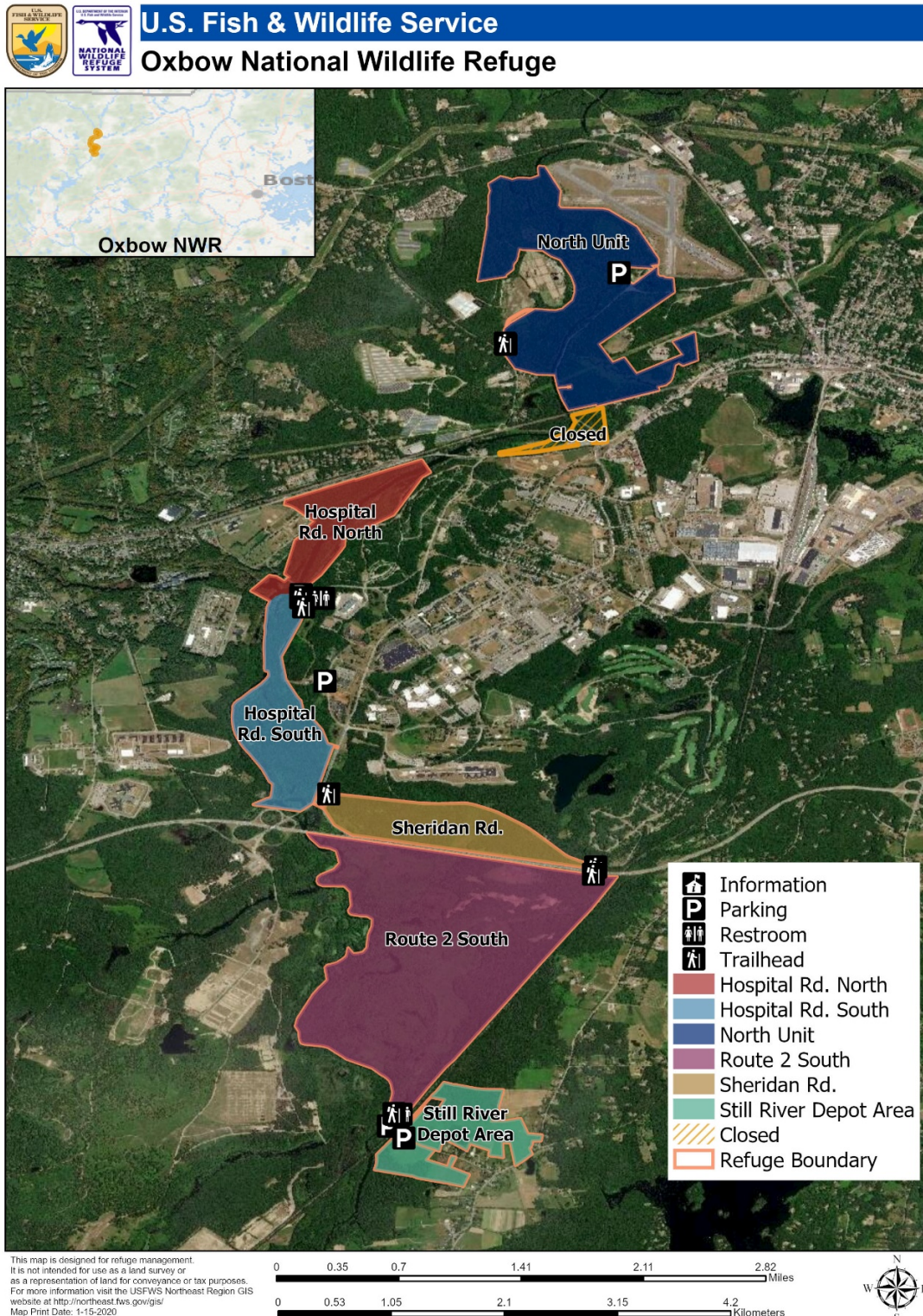
Species	Hunt Unit	Method of Take	Additional Refuge Regulations (Dates Approximate)	MA Regulations (For comparison)
Coyote	Bedford Carlisle Concord River Waterfowl Kinelly Pelham Island South of SR 225 Stone Bridge South of Heard Pond Sudbury River Waterfowl Sudbury Waterfowl Water Row Wolbach-Strand North of Sherman's Bridge	Archery Only	Only concurrent w/ deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 10/13-3/7 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
Turkey	Bedford Carlisle Concord River Waterfowl Kinelly Pelham Island South of SR 225 Stone Bridge South of Heard Pond Sudbury River Waterfowl Sudbury Waterfowl Water Row Wolbach-Strand North of Sherman's Bridge	Archery Only	Archery Only	Spring: 4/29-5/25 Fall: 10/21-11/2
Waterfowl	North of Sherman Bridge Road Pelham Island Water Row South of SR 225	Align w/ State	None	Season dependent on Species Earliest: 9/2, Latest: 2/15
White-tailed Deer	South of SR 225 North of Shermans Bridge	Archery Only	Archery Only Hunters can hunt all 3 season w/ Archery equipment	Deer: Archery (10/7-11/30), Shotgun (12/2-12/14), Muzzleloader (12/16-12/31)
Bear	Bedford Carlisle Concord River Waterfowl Kinelly Pelham Island South of Heard Pond Stone Bridge Sudbury River Waterfowl Sudbury Waterfowl Water Row Wolbach-Strand	Archery Only	Currently closed, Proposing Archery Only	1st Season: 9/2-9/21 2nd Season: 11/4-11/23 3rd Season: 12/2-12/14



# 2020-21 Hunting & Fishing Plan Summary

## Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge

Comparisons of proposed changes for 2020-2021 seasons w/ State Regulations  
Oxbow Wildlife Refuge is located Wildlife Management Zone 9





## Oxbow NWR Summary of Current and Proposed Changes by Hunt Units and Species

C= Currently Opened for Species

X= New Opportunity

**\*NOTE:** All hunters are still required to follow the 500ft setbacks per Massachusetts hunting regulations for occupied dwellings and 100ft setbacks for roads. The acres listed below, may not reflect the total acre available to hunt after allowing for required setbacks. Hunters can use mobile apps such as OnX to determine if an areas is open to hunting.

Hunt Unit C= Currently Opened X= New Opportunity		Acres	Bear	Deer	Turkey	Coyote	Fox	Grouse	Rabbit	Snipe	Squirrel	Waterfowl	Woodcock
On Map as North Unit (proposing to merge) Total acres = 392	Bishop Road	234	X	C	C	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
	Walker Rd	158	X	C	C	X	X	C	C		C	X	C
Hospital Road North (Archery Only)		128	X	X	X	X	X						
Hospital Road South		169	X	C	C	X	X	C	C		C	X	
Sheridan Rd		142	X	C	C	X	X	C	C		C		C
Still River Depot Area (Archery Only)		126	X	C	C	X	X						
On Map as Route 2 South (proposing to merge) Total acres = 714	Waterfowl Area	466	X	C	C	X	X	C	C	C	C	C	C
	Route 2 South	248	X	C	C	X	X	C	C	C	C	X	C
<b>Total Acres</b>		<b>1671</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>1671</b>	<b>1417</b>	<b>1417</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>1417</b>	<b>1275</b>	<b>1248</b>

## Oxbow NWR Summary of Proposed Changes by Species

(If there are no changes to the hunt opportunity of the species, it is not listed in the table. Please see our current hunt brochure to learn about the current refuge regulations for that species)

Species	Hunt Unit	Method of Take	Notes & Additional Refuge Regulations (Dates Approximate)	MA Regulations (For Comparison)
Bear	Route 2 South Waterfowl Area Bishop Rd Sheridan Rd Walker Road Hospital Road South	Align w/ State	Aligned w/ State for seasons	1st Season: 9/2-9/21 2nd Season: 11/4-11/23 3rd Season: 12/2-12/14
	Hospital Rd North	Archery Only	Aligned w/ State for seasons	1st Season: 9/2-9/21 2nd Season: 11/4-11/23 3rd Season: 12/2-12/14
Coyote	Hospital Rd North Still River Depot	Archery Only	Only concurrent w/ deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 10/13-3/7 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
	Bishop Rd Route 2 South Sheridan Rd Walker Road Waterfowl Area Hospital Rd South	Align w/ State	Only concurrent w/ deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 10/13-3/7 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
White-tailed Deer	Hospital Rd North	Archery Only	Currently Closed; Proposing to open Archery Only Hunters can hunt all 3 season w/ Archery equipment	Deer: Archery (10/7-11/30), Shotgun (12/2-12/14), Muzzleloader (12/16-12/31)
	Bishop Rd Sheridan Rd Walker Road Hospital Road South	Align w/ State	Currently Open for Archery Only; Proposing alignment for method of take	Deer: Archery (10/7-11/30), Shotgun (12/2-12/14), Muzzleloader (12/16-12/31)
Fox	Hospital Rd South Hospital Rd North Still River Depot	Archery Only	Only concurrent w/ deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 11/2-2/27 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight
	Bishop Rd Route 2 South Sheridan Rd Walker Road Waterfowl Area Hospital Rd South	Align w/ State	Only concurrent w/ deer season (10/17-12/31) No baiting Hours of hunt: No night hunting	MA Season: 11/2-2/27 (following year) Baiting is legal Hours of Hunt: 1/2 hr before sunrise to Midnight



Species	Hunt Unit	Method of Take	Notes & Additional Refuge Regulations (Dates Approximate)	MA Regulations (For Comparison)
Grouse	Bishop Rd	Aligned w/ State	Currently closed	MA Season: 10/17-11/28
	Hospital Road South Sheridan Rd Walker Road	Align w/ State	Currently Shotgun Only; Proposing to come into alignment for method of take	MA Season: 10/17-11/28
Rabbit	Bishop Rd	Align w/ State	Currently Closed no night hunting	MA Season: 10/17-2/5 (Following Year)
	Hospital Road South Sheridan Rd Walker Road	Align w/ State	Currently shotgun only; Proposing come into alignment for method of take no night hunting	MA Season: 10/17-2/5 (Following Year)
Turkey	Route 2 South Waterfowl Area	Align w/ State	Currently Spring Only Proposing adding Fall Season	Spring: 4/29-5/25 Fall: 10/21-11/2
	Hospital Rd North	Archery Only	Currently Closed Proposing Spring & Fall Season	Spring: 4/29-5/25 Fall: 10/21-11/2
	Bishop Rd	Align w/ State	Currently Archery Only & Spring Only; proposing adding Fall Season	Spring: 4/29-5/25 Fall: 10/21-11/2
	Still River Depot	Archery Only	Currently Spring Only Propose Adding Fall Season	Spring: 4/29-5/25 Fall: 10/21-11/2
	Hospital Rd South Walker Road Sheriden Road	Align w/ State	Currently Shotgun & Spring only; proposing alignment for method of take and adding fall season	Spring: 4/29-5/25 Fall: 10/21-11/2
Waterfowl	Bishop Rd Hospital Rd South Walker Road Route 2 South	Align w/ State	Currently Closed	Season dependent on Species Earliest: 9/2, Latest: 2/15
Woodcock	Sheridan Rd Walker Road	Align w/ State	Currently Shotgun only; proposing alignment for method of take	10/3-11/23
	Bishop Rd	Align w/ State	Currently Closed	10/3-11/23