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#### *Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge*

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#### **North Entrance to Assabet River National Wildlife Refuge on White Pond Road will be closed to all traffic starting July 24, 2017**

Starting on **July 24, 2017** the US Fish and Wildlife will begin rehabilitating (regrading and paving) it's North Entrance which is part of White Pond Road in Stow. In an effort to preserve extensive survey work, grading and resurfacing throughout the duration of this project the entrance to the refuge at this location will be closed to all traffic for up to 60 days. The portion of the White Pond Road that will be closed will be just south of the Assabet River Rail Trail up to the refuge gate. The road will be gated and inaccessible to vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists for up to 60 days. This will also cut off access to the refuge's North Parking Lot.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause but we promise you that the completed project will significantly improve your visit. In the meantime, we urge you to make alternate plans if you frequently access the refuge from this location. There are 2 other entrances to the refuge: one just to the east off of Old Marlborough road in Maynard next to the FEMA facility and the main entrance off of Hudson Road in Sudbury right next to the MA Fire Academy.

If you have any questions or concerns feel free to contact Tom Eagle, Deputy Complex Manager at 978-443-4661 or my direct number at 978-579-2027.

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