

PANTRY BROOK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

(Concord/Sudbury)

GENERAL:

This is a 411-acre parcel of nearly level wetlands surrounding the lower reaches of Pantry Brook and Cold Brook. There are formal access points with parking areas off Weir Hill Road (reached by going through the Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge) and Lincoln Road. There is an informal

access off Concord Road. U.S.G.S. Quad: Maynard

VEGETATION:

Open grass marshland slowly being claimed by alder, buttonbush and red

maple.

WATER:

Pantry and Cold Brooks are small, warm water streams only 3 feet deep and 3 - 4 feet wide. They are not stocked with trout. To provide better habitat for waterfowl, MassWildlife constructed a low dam on Pantry Brook in 1991 about a hundred yards above the Sudbury River. During high water periods, the river floods back over the dam and upstream to

Concord Road.

WILDLIFE:

Aquatic furbearers, raccoon and waterfowl are present, as are numerous species of wading birds and songbirds. There are two wood duck nesting boxes. Deer, fox and coyote utilize the upland habitat areas. This

area is not stocked with pheasant.

SPECIAL

REGULATIONS:

None.