



SEARS LAND & MELONE HOMESTEAD



Lee's Bridge
Credit: Michele Grzenda

DURING YOUR VISIT

We hope you enjoy exploring this conservation land. Please be respectful toward other visitors, wildlife, & the land during your visit. Some activities are prohibited. Learn more: www.weston.org/470/Conservation-Lands-Trails

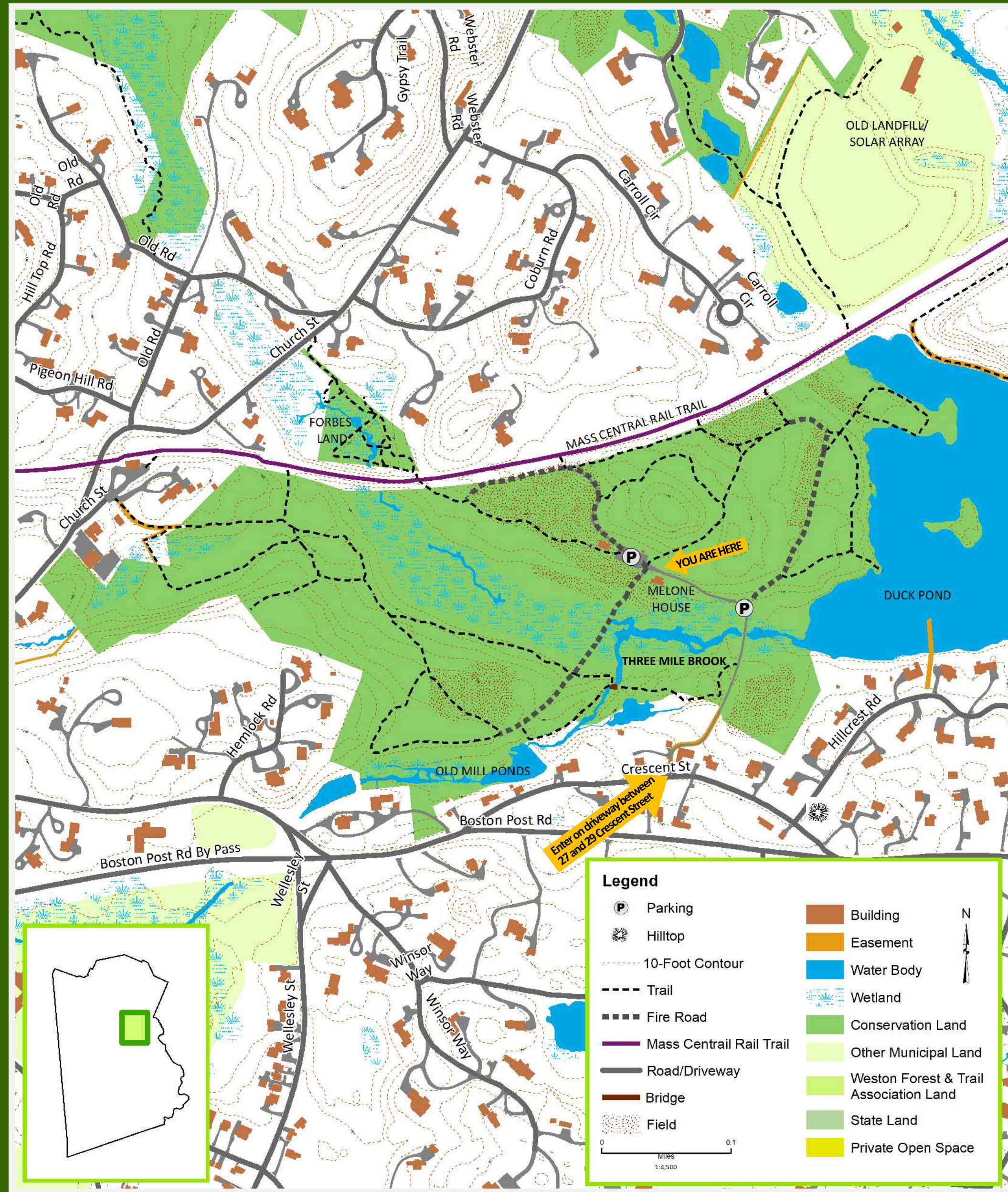


WALKING YOUR DOG

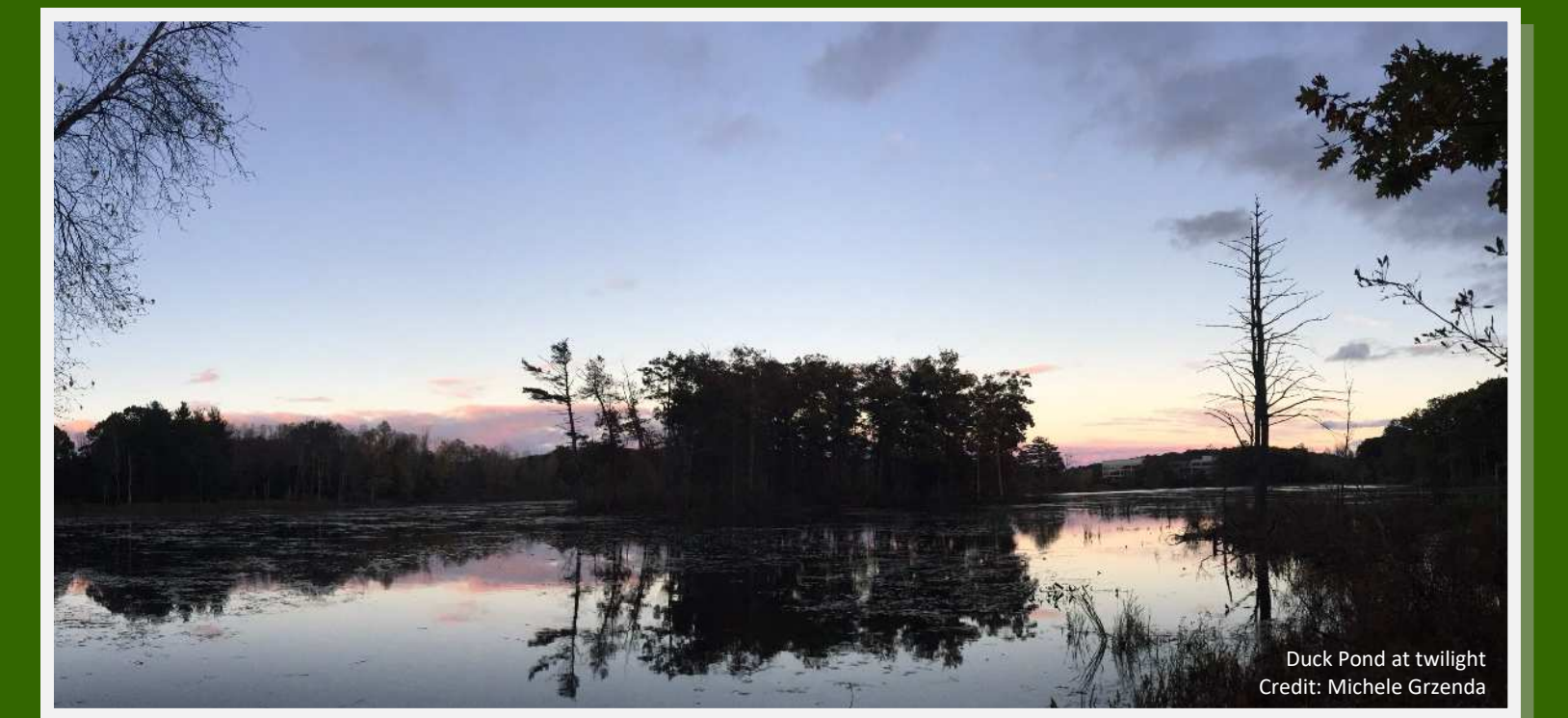
Dogs must be on leash or under voice command at all times. If you have more than 3 dogs, all dogs must be on leash (excluding permitted commercial dog walkers). Pick up & properly dispose of your dog's waste. Leash up in parking areas and until 200' feet down the trail.

QUESTIONS & CONCERNS

In case of emergency: **911**
For safety matters and animal bites: 781-786-6200 (Police Department)
For playing field matters: 781-529-0203 (Recreation Department)
All other matters: 781-786-5068 conservation@westonmass.org (Conservation Department)



Welcome to Sears Land & Melone Homestead conservation land, where approximately 3 miles of trails wind through 90 acres of forest, fields, wetlands, and farmland. The Weston Conservation Commission, Weston Forest & Trail Association, and Land's Sake community farm work together to care for this treasured open space. The Melone House was built in the 1830's as a tenant house on Boston Post Road and moved to its present site for multi-family housing in the mid-1850's. Land's Sake farms the fields near the house and grows Christmas trees on the eastern side of the property. The American Chestnut Foundation maintains a blight-resistant American chestnut seedling farm near the Melone House. On the eastern side of Sears Land, Duck Pond provides habitat for beavers, waterfowl, turtles, and other wildlife. Remnants of an old desk and chair factory and its mill ponds are visible from the southwestern portion of the property. The regional Mass Central Rail Trail borders the Sears Land to the north, where connections can be made to other open spaces.



Duck Pond at twilight
Credit: Michele Grzenda

USE OUR MAP ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE



Want to see where you are on our trail system? Use MapsOnline on your mobile device to navigate Weston's trails. Just scan this QR code, press "zoom" and "follow," and look for the blue dot. Explore "layers" to add aerial photos and more. www.mapsonline.net/westonma/trails.html