



# Lake Dennison

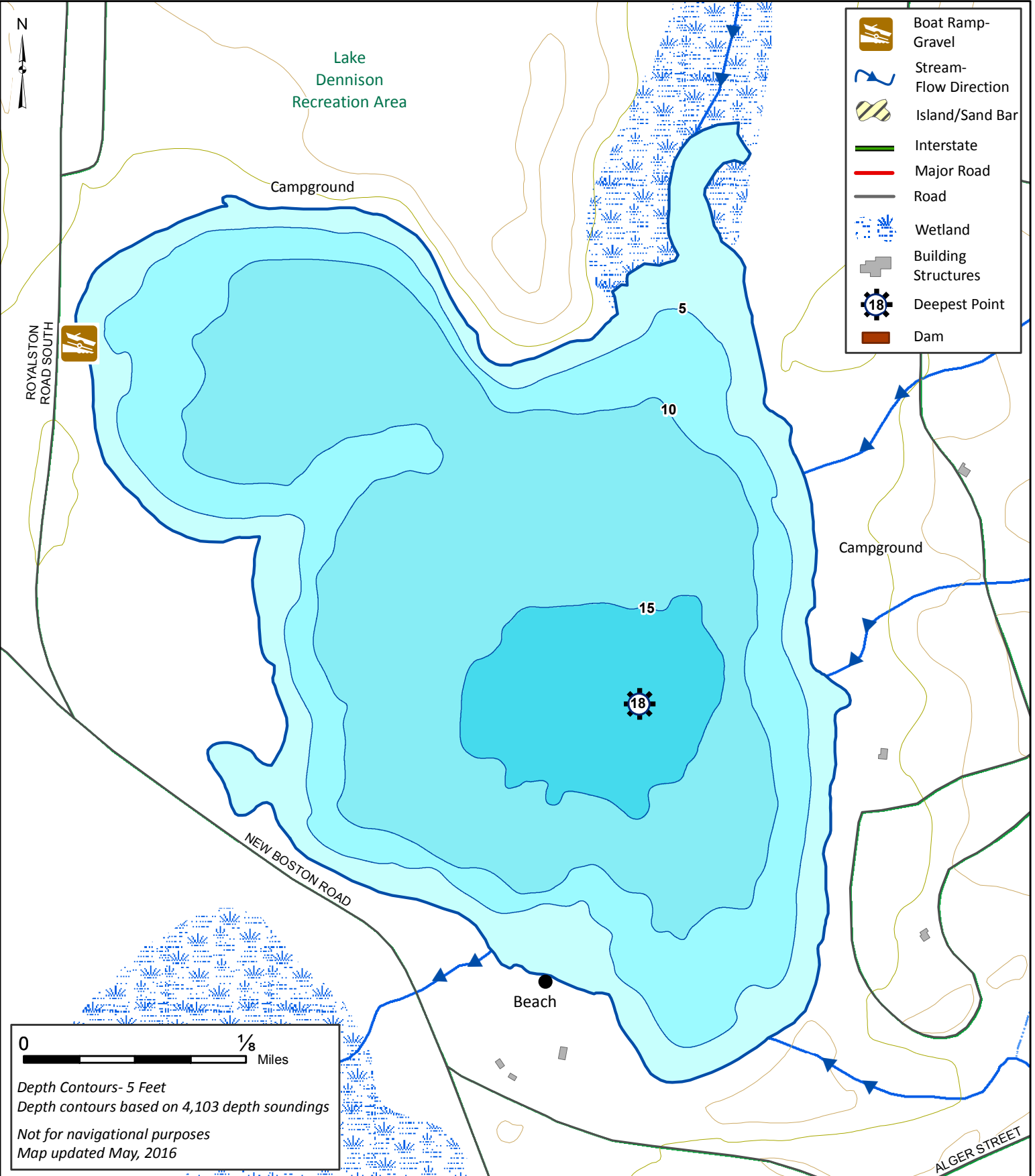
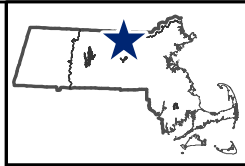
90 Acres

Winchendon

Millers River Watershed

Coordinates: 72°05'32"W 42°38'46"N

USGS Quad: WINCHENDON



0  $\frac{1}{8}$  Miles  
Depth Contours- 5 Feet  
Depth contours based on 4,103 depth soundings  
Not for navigational purposes  
Map updated May, 2016



# Lake Dennison, Winchendon

## General Information

Lake Dennison is 90 acres in size and located off Rt. 202 in Winchendon, entirely within conserved land owned by the Army Corps of Engineers but managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Lake Dennison has an average depth of 9 feet, a maximum of 18 feet and the water is somewhat tannic which limits transparency. With the exception of a public beach and campground, the shores are undeveloped and offer a tranquil setting to fish, paddle, or hike. Aquatic vegetation is scant and dominated by scattered clusters of lily pads in the shallower areas. Lake Dennison is a popular spot for swimming, camping, paddling, and fishing during summer.

## Recreational Access

The Department of Conservation and Recreation manages a gravel boat launch (72°5'32.933"W 42°38'48.072"N) off of the Dennison Recreation Area access road on the northwest corner of the lake. Only electric motors are permitted on the lake and parking is limited in areas immediately adjacent to the ramp. Shoreline access is abundant via footpaths surrounding the lake. Please contact the offices of the Otter River State Park for additional information, fee structures, camping opportunities, and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of Lake Dennison.

## Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Black Crappie, Bluegill, Pumpkinseed, Banded Sunfish, Brown Bullhead, Yellow Bullhead, White Sucker, Golden Shiner and Creek Chub Sucker. Lake Dennison is also stocked annually in the spring and fall with trout.

## Fishing

Lake Dennison is a fairly small lake and thus one that can be fished from either shore or boat quite effectively and easily. Abundant access via foot paths makes shore fishing for trout in spring easy. However, once warmer temperatures arrive, these fish will seek the deeper, colder areas, which will likely necessitate fishing for them from a boat. Largemouth Bass and Chain Pickerel are abundant within habitats affording cover such as submerged trees or near weed beds but typically do not reach large sizes. Lake Dennison has produced Largemouth Bass, Black Crappie, Yellow Perch, Tiger Trout, and Brook Trout that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Sportfishing Awards Program.

## Useful Links:

[Get your Fishing License](#)

[Freshwater Fishing](#)

[Trout Stocking Information](#)

[Freshwater Sportfishing Awards Program](#)

## Learn more:

[Mass.gov/MassWildlife](http://Mass.gov/MassWildlife)

## Connect with us:

[Facebook.com/MassWildlife](https://Facebook.com/MassWildlife)

## Your local

### MassWildlife office:

211 Temple Street  
West Boylston, MA 01583  
(508) 835-3607

## STOP AQUATIC HITCHIKERS!

Prevent the transport of nuisance species.  
Clean all recreational equipment.  
[ProtectYourWaters.net](http://ProtectYourWaters.net)

Updated: 2016