



# Cook Pond, Fall River

## General Information

Cook Pond is a 158 acre warmwater pond, with an average depth of 10 feet and a maximum depth of 20 feet. This pond is also known as Laurel Lake. The fertile water has a transparency of 6.5 feet or less, and the bottom is composed of rubble, rock and muck. The bordering 2.6 miles of shoreline are lightly developed but there is heavy development of residences and commercial buildings just outside the shoreline. Part of the southern shoreline is in Tiverton, Rhode Island. Emergent vegetation is common and submergent vegetation is scant. A heavy algae bloom often occurs during the summer. Boaters should beware of the numerous rocks that occur in this pond, especially in the northern end.

## Recreational Access

Access to Cook Pond is provided by a paved boat ramp owned by MassWildlife and managed by the City of Fall River (71°10'19.14"W 41°40'30.19"N). The paved parking area can accommodate approximately 50 vehicles. It is located at the end of Henry Street, which is off Laurel Street. The ramp was rebuilt in 2018.

## Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Golden Shiner, White Perch, Chain Pickerel, Bluegill, Yellow Perch, Brown Bullhead, Pumpkinseed, Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass, and Chain Pickerel. This pond was reclaimed in September 1971 and is undoubtedly one of the most fertile ponds in Massachusetts. The reclamation resulted in 57,900 pounds of fish being removed with the estimated carrying capacity of the pond at 450 pounds of fish per acre!

## Fishing

Fishing at Cook Pond is exceptional due to the fertility of the water, but because fishing pressure is high, large gamefish are fairly scarce. Largemouth Bass are clearly the most abundant gamefish to target. Panfish are an excellent resource here, particularly the Yellow Perch which are very abundant and range up to about a foot in length. Bluegill and pumpkinseed are also common and of good average size. Cook Pond has produced Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, White Perch, and Black Crappie that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Freshwater Sportfishing Awards Program. Another excellent fishing pond nearby is South Watuppa Pond.

## Useful Links:

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

Updated: 2018



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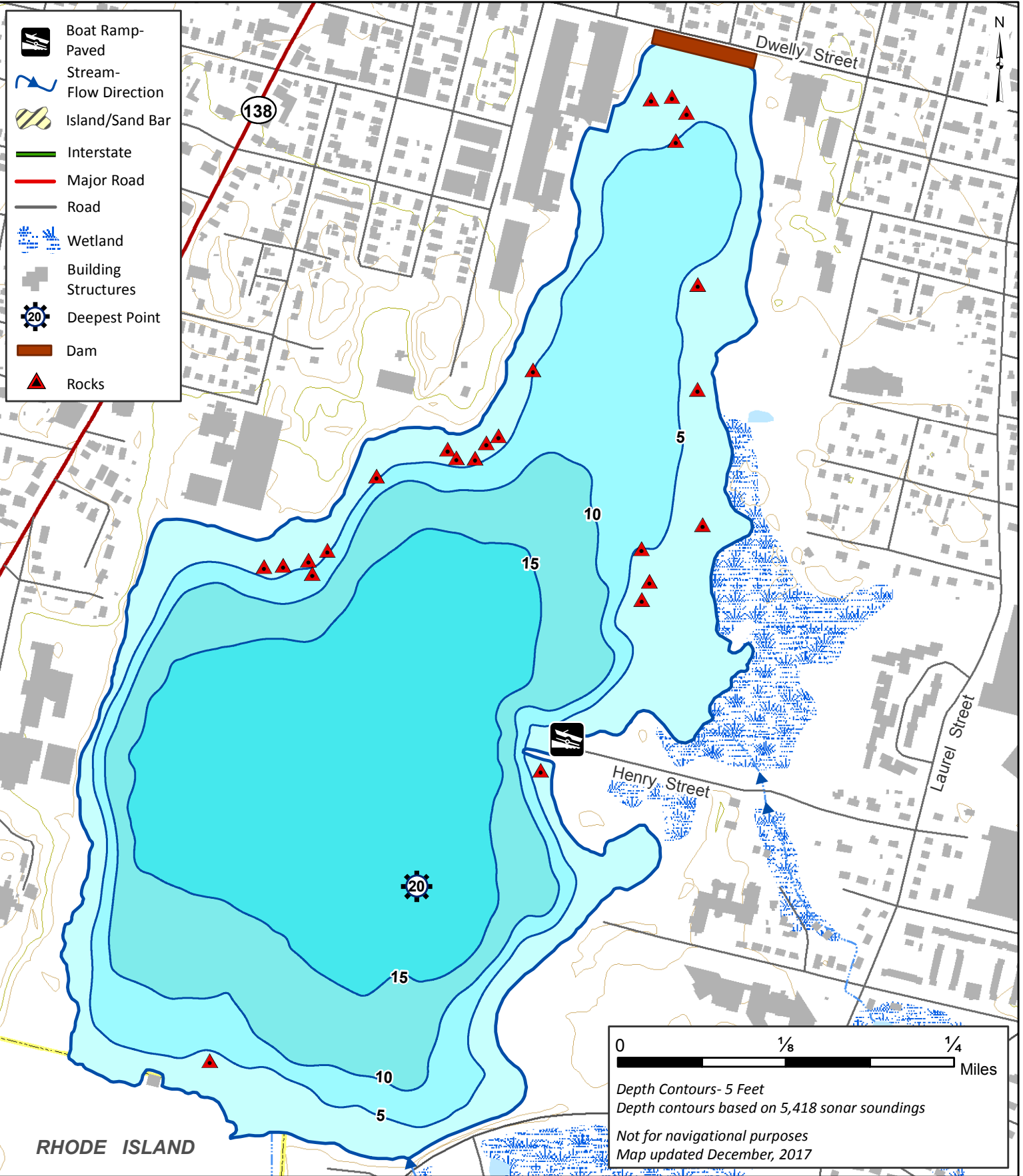
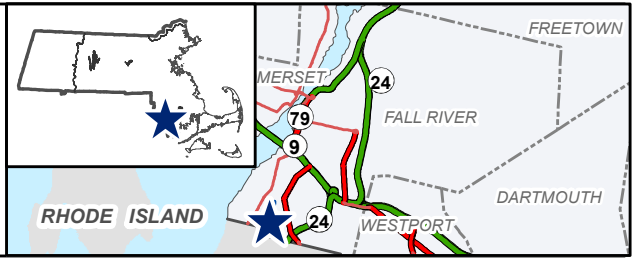
158 Acres

Fall River

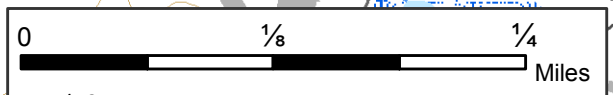
Mt Hope Bay Watershed

Coordinates: 71°10'18.85"W 41°40'30.04"N

USGS Quad: FALL RIVER



- Boat Ramp-Paved
- Stream-Flow Direction
- Island/Sand Bar
- Interstate
- Major Road
- Road
- Wetland
- Building Structures
- Deepest Point
- Dam
- Rocks



Depth Contours- 5 Feet  
Depth contours based on 5,418 sonar soundings

Not for navigational purposes  
Map updated December, 2017

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