

## About This Property

During the development boom following WWII, Mrs. E. Sohler Welch feared for the landscape in the northwest corner of Framingham. To help conserve it, she donated 87 acres of land over several years, starting in 1959, and provided the core of SVT's first reservation beyond our original Wayland-Sudbury base.

Mrs. Welch's generosity inspired her neighbors to make other gifts of land to SVT, which expanded the size of this reservation to its current 111 acres. Today, Baiting Brook-Welch Reservation offers a visual delight as you travel along the trails, and it provides a superb example of how the landscape of Framingham looked in decades gone by.

## Features of Note

- Callahan State Park is the entry point for these trails. SVT's purchase of Baiting Brook Woods in 1992 made it possible to re-establish trail connections between the Welch Reservation and Callahan State Park that had been severed by chain link fencing.
- The Welch gift included an agricultural field where the landowner's close friend Penelope Turton grew organic vegetables and flowers. Stearns Farm CSA (community-supported agriculture) has continued this tradition on half of the 10-acre field. The other half is cultivated by nearby Hanson's Farm, which also offers CSA shares.
- The past and current agricultural use of the property is evident by the stone walls in the interior and along many of the boundaries.
- Interior forest bird species, including ovenbird, scarlet tanager, eastern wood-peewee, and veery, use the property for nesting.

**Learn more:**

[www.svtweb.org/BaitingBrookWelch](http://www.svtweb.org/BaitingBrookWelch)

## Trail Policies and Regulations

These policies apply to SVT properties on the map. Properties owned by other entities have their own posted policies.

The following are prohibited:

- Motorized vehicles
- Hunting or trapping
- Camping
- Bicycling, except as marked
- Fires
- Disposing of trash or yard waste
- Cutting or removing plants



Dog walkers:

- Pick up and dispose of dog waste.
- Keep dogs on trails.
- Keep dogs out of ponds/streams/vernal pools.
- Put dogs on a leash when other hikers approach.

*See our full dog-walking policy on the trail head kiosk.*

## Directions

With mapping software, search for this address:  
952 Edmands Road, Framingham, MA

From the intersection of Edgell Road and Edmands Road in Framingham, follow Edmands Road west. Go 2.4 miles. The Callahan State Park parking lot and trail access is on the left.

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# Baiting Brook-Welch Reservation Trail Map



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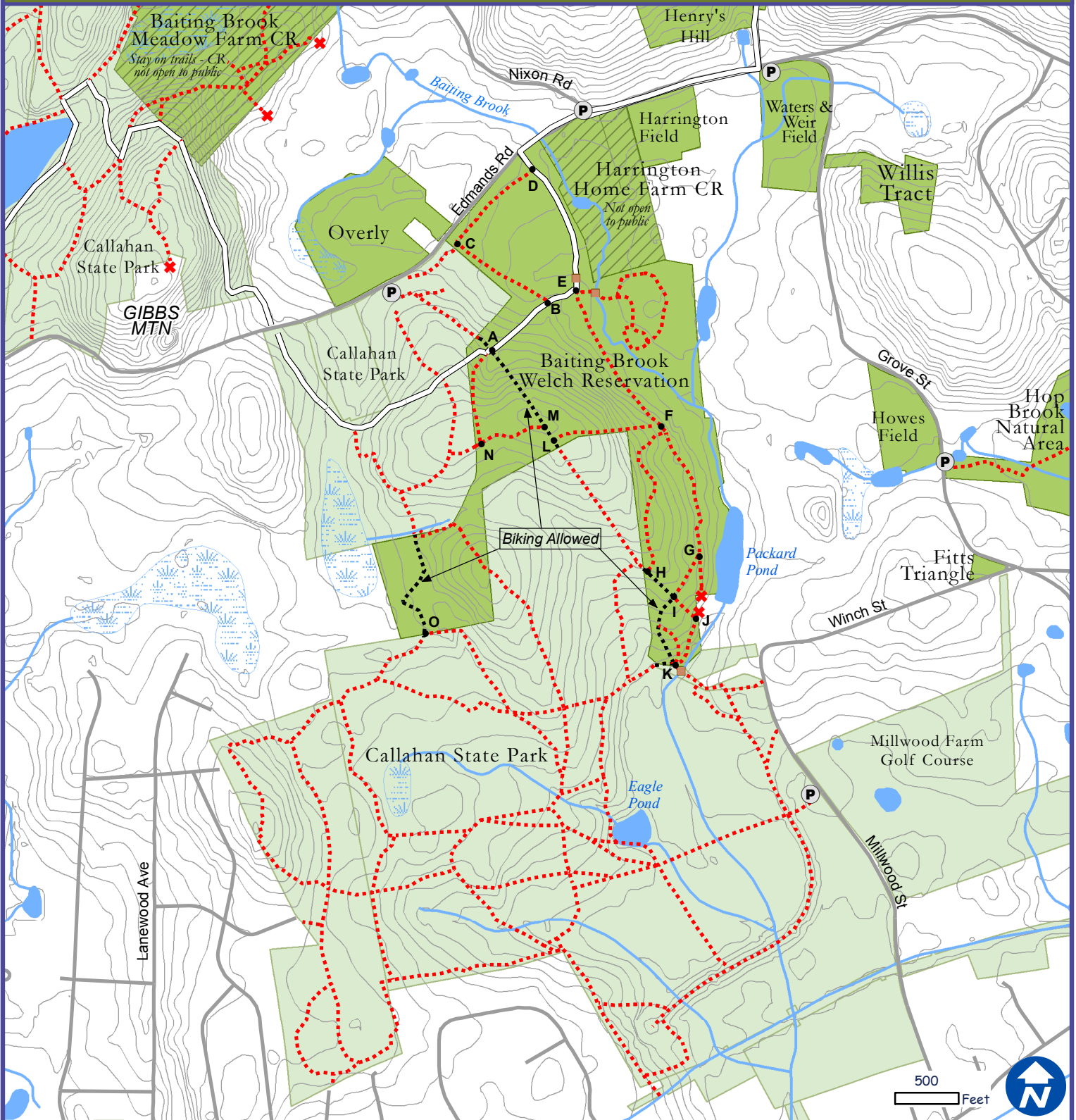
*This map includes trails that cross properties owned and maintained by Callahan State Park and private landowners.*

*Please respect private property and stay on the trails.*



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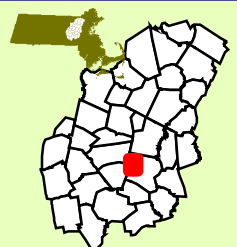


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