

Steele Farm  
Middle Road, Boxboro MA



Steele Farm hayfield habitat dominated by agricultural grasses. The main trail bisects grassland habitat and passes close to wetland at base of slope. Note dead-standing White Ash at right of picture and spruce stand in distance, to left of path.



Spruce stand at Steele Farm.



Dead White Ash choked with Oriental Bittersweet, Glossy Buckthorn and Multiflora Rose. The bare branches provide good perching sites for birds, an important wildlife habitat value. Removal of the invasives is recommended.



Canada Lily at edge of wet meadow.

Rolling Meadow  
Littlefield Road, Boxboro MA



Wet meadow with Sensitive Fern, goldenrods and Joe-Pye Weed.



Another view of the wet meadow habitat showing a diverse plant community.



Monoculture of Reed Canary-grass, a non-native invasive species that should be monitored for spreading.



Early successional shrubland habitat to the north of the main trail. Note scattered shrubs and Queen Anne's Lace and Common Milkweed which prefer dry soils.



View south along trail next to Littlefield Road east of wet meadow.



View south of narrow footpath bisecting wet meadow habitat; appears to have been recently mown wider.



Hedgerow of White Pine, oaks and maples to west of wet meadow.



View south along trail west of White Pine, oak and maple hedgerow. Note understory of invasive Glossy Buckthorn, Multiflora Rose, and Oriental Bittersweet.



Current parking at Rolling Meadows along Littlefield Road.



Potential area for improved parking off Littlefield Road at southeast corner of meadow.

Flerra Meadows  
Summer Road, Boxboro MA



Wide, grassy swath at entrance to Flerra Meadows. Ideally, this section which is mown frequently to provide overflow parking for events, would be narrower.



Tall-grass upland field with grasses, Queen Anne's Lace, and Black-eyed Susan.



Recently-mown upland field. Note athletic fields in background.

Beaver Brook Meadow  
Hill Road, Boxboro MA



Beaver Brook Meadow with wetter sections in the foreground and upland fields in the background.



Close-up view of wet meadow plant community dominated by Reed Canary-grass.



View to south across wet meadows, note Purple Loosestrife in center of photo.



Current parking and trailhead at Beaver Brook Meadow, Hill Road.

Have Not Pond

Hill Road and Barteau Lane, Boxboro MA



Upland fields dominated by Queen Anne's Lace, goldenrods, grasses and sedges with scattered Black-eye Susan and Milkweed.



Boardwalk crossing the wet meadow at north end of Have Not Pond. Raising the crossing would help to improve water quality. Note wet meadow species such as Joe-Pye weed, Reed Canary-grass, Purple Loosestrife, Cat-tails and goldenrods.



Sandy scrape in upland meadow near cul-de-sac: excellent turtle nesting habitat. Note invasive Autumn Olive shrubs in background.



Oriental Bittersweet running prostrate over grasses and forbs in field.



Oriental Bittersweet climbing trees on field edges.



Locust trees in cul-de-sac are the next invasive threatening Have Not Pond grasslands.

Flagg Hill  
Flagg Hill Road, Boxboro MA



Wet meadow with pond in background.



Smooth sumac in wet meadow with under story of invasive Oriental Bittersweet and Glossy Buckthorn.



Sand pile near parking lot. Recommend removal of sand pile to allow plants to seed in.

Patch Hill – Robinson  
Hill Street, Boxboro MA



View to the east looking across the hayfields.



Stand of Norway Maple, oak, and hickory with under story of Winged Euonymus, Oriental Bittersweet and Multiflora Rose in southeast corner of field.



Oriental Bittersweet seeding into hayfield near stand of Norway maple, oak and hickory.



Current parking on Hill Road with off-street parking for only one car.

**Hager Meadow**  
Hill Road, Boxboro MA



Road-side meadow at entrance to Hager Meadow. Trail follows an easement through this private land.



Old field dominated by grasses and Queen Anne's Lace. Sparse hedgerow in background with invasive in the understory.



Invasive Oriental Bittersweet choking trees along the field's edge.



Section of pasture to the north with invasive Autumn Olive and Multiflora Rose.



Stand of Choke Cherry trees and Multiflora Rose bushes in northernmost field.