

# East Brimfield Reservoir and Long Pond

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## Fishing

East Brimfield Reservoir is a favorite spot for both the serious and casual angler. It is a favorite spot for competition bass anglers. Although weed beds are abundant, the old river channel is a good area to search for large, opportunistic gamefish. The multitude of panfish here will provide hours and hours of simple leisurely fishing for anglers of all levels of ability. The northern pike are a significant draw for ice anglers, as the big predators are known to reach massive size here. This water once held the state record for the species.

## Description

### Champeaux Road Fishing Area:

Located off Route 148 at north end of the reservoir. There is a shore fishing area with ADA accessible fishing platforms. Open year round. Ice fishing access. There are yellow gates located on each end of the causeway.

These gates may be closed in spring or during any other condition when the water is high and the road is flooded. Consider launching at the other launches during these conditions.

### East Brimfield Damsite

Riverview Ave off Route 20. Scenic overlook of the reservoir and am. 1/2 mile interpretive nature trail. Recently completed 1/2 mile portion of the Grand Trunk multiple use trail from the dam to Holland Road. No motorized vehicles open to XC Skiers and Snow Shoes in Winter also have fishing access. Open year round.

East Brimfield Reservoir connects to Holland Pond via the Quinebaug River. Click below to see this connection:

[Holland Pond & Quinebaug River Trail](#)

## East Brimfield Lake



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There are many things you can do at East Brimfield Lake in every season. Spring brings a renewed interest in fishing for trout stocked here by the Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife. Water is stored or a controlled release in April for canoe races on the Quinebaug River.

Summer brings warm weather for swimming and picnicking at the Streeter Beach (fee area operated by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation) and Lake Siog Park (operated by the Corps; no fee). Boating and water skiing are favorite pastimes on East Brimfield Lake.

In fall the colorful leaves make the rolling hills and the river valley a photographers delight. Scenic views can be enjoyed along a six mile canoe trail with each passing season. This flat water canoe trail twists and turns from Holland Pond to East Brimfield Lake on the Quinebaug River.

Hunting for deer, turkey, and other small game is allowed in the forested wetland and upland areas of the project. Hunting and fishing are permitted in accordance with Massachusetts fish and game laws. Licenses are required and available at the local town halls.

Once winter arrives, snow covers the frozen lake. Northern pike, pickerel, and bass provide for excellent ice fishing.

For more information click below:

## STATISTICS

**Skill Level:** Class 1 - Flat water

**Estimated Time:** 3 hours

**Total Perimeter Distances:** 7.9 miles

• **Long Pond Perimeter:** 4.6 miles

• **North Basin:** 1.6 miles

• **Main Basin:** 3.0 miles

• **East Brimfield Lake Perimeter:** 3.3 miles

**USGS Map:** Warren MA, Wales MA

## Physical Features:

• **Total Area:** 420 acres

• **Long Pond:** 106 acres

• **East Brimfield Reservoir:** (313) acres

• **Max depth:** 22 feet

• **Average Depth:** 10 feet

• **Transparency:** 5 feet

• **Terrain Type:** Wooded, Army Corp of Engineers Park

• **Altitude:**

• **Long Pond:** 630 feet

• **East Brimfield Lake:** 632 feet

## Fish Population

• **Last survey:** 1999

• **15 Species:** Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Black Crappie, Bluegill, Pumpkinseeds, Brown Bullheads, Yellow Bullheads, Golden Shiners, Bridled Shiners, and Killifish. Northern pike are also present here and are stocked on a regular basis, most recently in 2007. Tiger muskies were stocked here in 2000. A small number of trout are stocked in the spring at the north end off Champeaux Road.

[State Pond Map](#)

## National Inventory of Dams



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### East Brimfield Dam

**NID ID:** MA00966

**Owner:** USACE - New England District

**Owner Type:** Federal

**Purpose:** Flood Risk Reduction, Recreation

**NID Height:** 53 feet

**NID Storage:** 71,000 Acre-feet

**Year Complete:** 1960

**Dam Type:** Rockfill, Earth, Gravity

**Last Inspected:** 10/17/2019

**Emergency Action Plan Prepared:** YES

**Last Emergency Action Plan Revision:** 08/28/2020

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### East Brimfield Reservoir - Federal Boat Ramp

Position: 42°06.62'N 72°08.36'W

#### Boat Launch:

Large Paved Parking Lot with excellent boat ramp for all types of boats.

#### Nearest Launch Address:

390 Sturbridge Road, Brimfield, MA 01010 (Rt 20)

[Directions](#)



A large paved boat ramp with plenty of parking.



This boat ramp is busy most days when there is no ice.

### Long Pond - Federal Car Top Boat Launch

Position: 42°07.76'N 72°07.71'W

#### Boat Launch:

- Look for a gravel parking area provided by the Army Corp of Engineers. Park and launch near the handicap fishing area.
- Parking for at least 10 vehicles. Car top boat launch only.
- The Main Basin can be accessed either by paddling under the causeway bridge or launching at the causway bridge.

#### Nearest Launch Address:

25 Champeaux Road, Sturbridge, MA 01518

[Directions](#)

Car top Boat Launch only.

### Long Pond - Federal Boat Ramp

Position: 42°06.78'N 72°07.90'W

#### Boat Launch:

Federal Paved Boat Ramp on North side of Route 20

#### Nearest Launch Address:

Old Streeter Road, Fiskdale, MA 01518

[Directions](#)

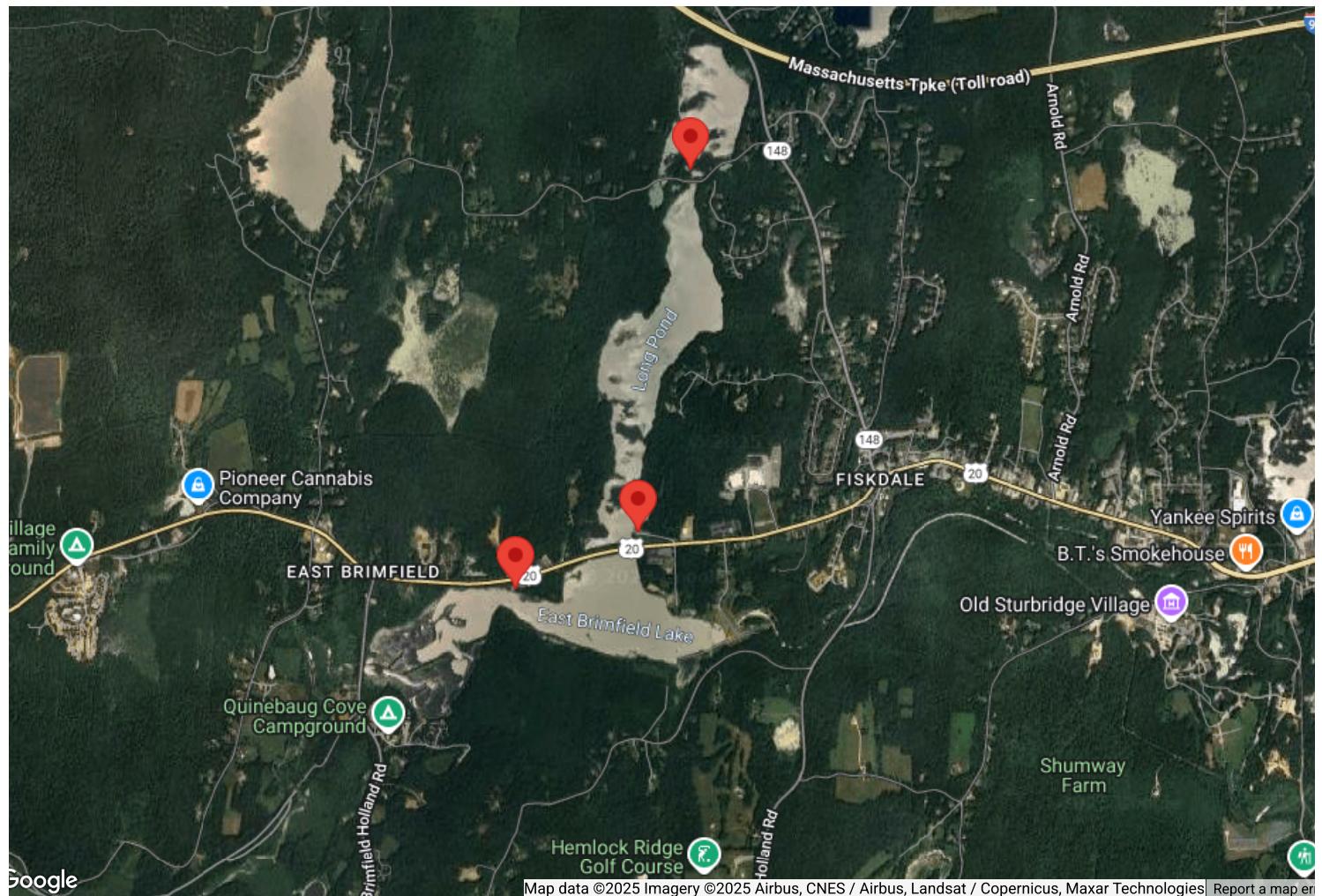


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Easy access for all types of boats.





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