

Great Meadows Conservation Trust

Wood Parcel

SE corner of Middletown Ave. and Rte. 3/Maple Street

Take a stroll across the shiny bridge over Beaver Brook, through the 18th Century House site, along the marsh and the pond out to the fertile farmland beyond.

#1. The bridge crosses Beaver Brook—in the springtime, under the welcoming arch of the spring blooming crab apple.



#2. The Wood family sat under the cool shade of the giant pine tree on a summer day



c.1953. The historic Robbins House was demolished in 1958 to make way for Rte 3. Look for the well. Observe the 18th Century stone outbuilding foundation with the 20th Century cinderblocks on top.

#3 Count the turtles sunning themselves on logs in the pond Maybe glimpse wood ducks or green herons flying off squawking.



A green heron perches on a log in the pond.

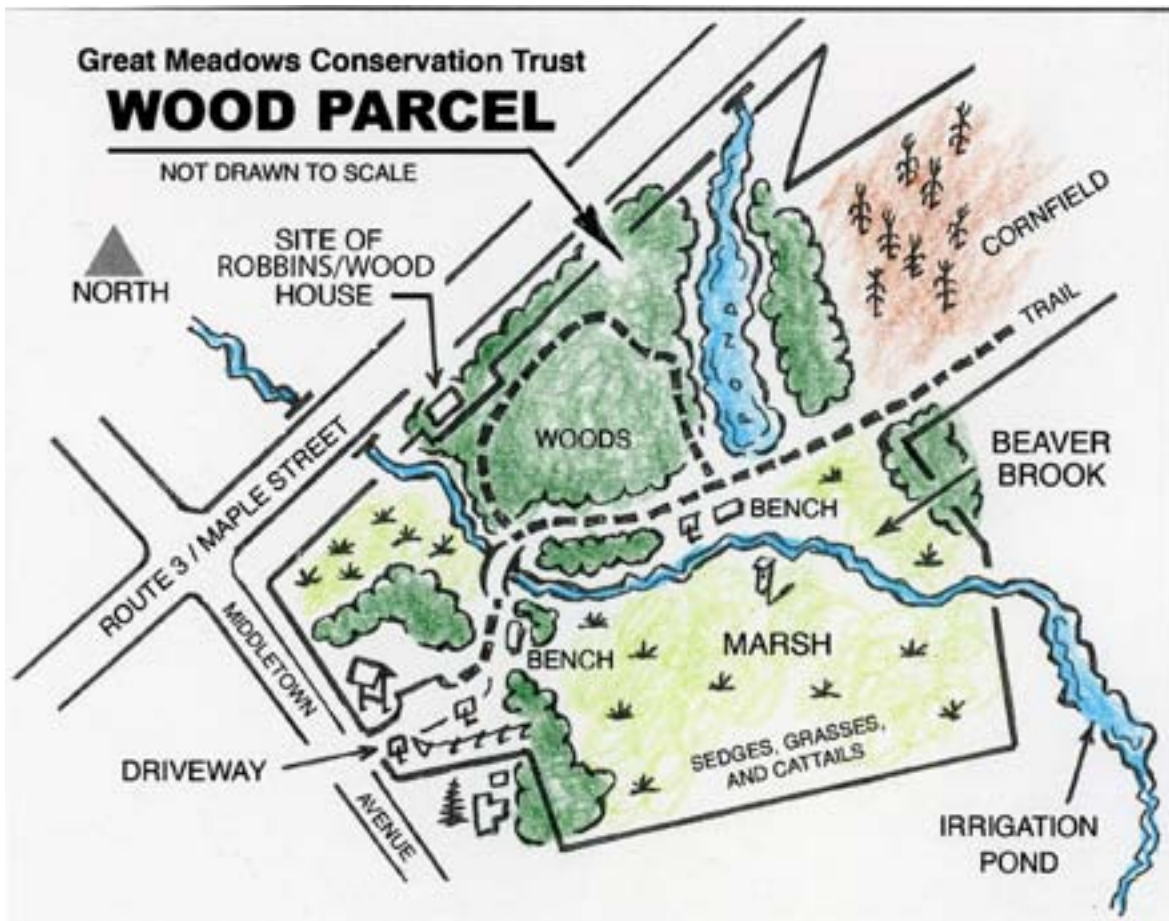
#4 Look and listen for red wing blackbirds perching on cattails, red tail hawks soaring, and great blue heron hunting in the brook.

#5 In the farm field observe the sweet corn crop or the cover crop, or the farmer at work. Imagine



Jared Anderson harrowing.

Native Americans tending their field of the “three sisters”—corn, beans, squash planted together.



A great blue heron is reflected in the still water as it waits for a fish to swim by.

