



# Wachusett Reservoir Watershed

Department of Conservation and Recreation,  
Division of Water Supply Protection  
Headquarters: 180 Beaman Street, West Boylston MA 01583

## Upcoming Programs May-July 2024

Programs are free and open to the public. Dogs are not allowed.  
In the case of inclement weather to check on event status please call  
617-352-4044 or email [Kathryn.Parent@mass.gov](mailto:Kathryn.Parent@mass.gov)

### Date/Time Program

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>May 15,<br/>6:30-7:30pm</b>                                | <b>WATERSHED WEDNESDAY, CLIMATE</b><br>Discover how climate change affects our environment and the places we love to visit. Join DCR's Director of Climate Resilience to learn how to build resilience and protect our natural, cultural, and recreational resources for generations to come. All ages are welcome. <b>Meet at DCR Water Supply Protection Headquarters Building, 180 Beaman Street, West Boylston. Entrance is at the flagpoles.</b>  |
| <b>Saturday,<br/>May 18,<br/>10:00-<br/>12:00pm</b>                          | <b>SPRING TIME HIKE with Boylston Library</b><br>Join DCR Watershed Rangers for this fun hike to Scar Hill Road as we enjoy the sights of spring on the Wachusett watershed! This 3 mile guided hike will lead us to shoreline views of Scar Hill Bluffs on easy-to-moderate terrain. There will be a few inclines on paved road as well as dirt access road, and we'll navigate over forest trail and sandy shore. Dogs are not allowed. Come and enjoy the changing season with us! <b>Meet at Boylston Public Library, 695 Main Street Boylston.</b>  |
| <b>Saturday,<br/>May 25,<br/>drop in<br/>between<br/>10:00am-<br/>1:00pm</b> | <b>WATER SCIENCE</b><br>Explore the wonders of water through fun interactive activity stations! Discover a healthy freshwater stream through an accessible touch tank designed to allow observers to see freshwater macroinvertebrates move in a simulated river environment. Observe and identify the insects while discovering how they indicate water quality and support a healthy freshwater ecosystem. All ages are welcome to this family-friendly event. Dogs are not allowed. <b>Meet at Stillwater Farm Interpretive Site, 228 Redemption Rock Rd., Sterling.</b> This program is offered in partnership with Freedom's Way National Heritage Area. Learn more at <a href="http://freedomsway.org">freedomsway.org</a> . |
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>June 5,<br/>6:30-7:30pm</b>                                | <b>WATERSHED WEDNESDAY, HISTORY OF FISHING</b><br>Join the DCR Watershed Rangers as they present the history of fishing from the 1890's to today at the Wachusett Reservoir. They will draw from historical state records and showcase the species of fish found in the reservoir from surveys. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A. <b>Meet at DCR Water Supply Protection Headquarters Building, 180 Beaman Street, West Boylston. Entrance is at the flagpoles.</b>  |
| <b>Saturday,<br/>June 29,<br/>2:00-3:00pm</b>                                | <b>STREAM SAFARI</b><br>Examine creatures that thrive in clean fast moving streams with Watershed Rangers. Come find out why we care about macroinvertebrates– and uncover the story they have to tell about water quality. We will provide equipment and a limited supply of waders for exploring the water on a short walk along Trout Brook. Dogs are not allowed. <b>Meet at 300 Manning Street, Holden.</b>   |
| <b>Wednesday,<br/>July 17,<br/>6:30-7:30pm</b>                               | <b>WATERSHED WEDNESDAY, INVASIVE PLANTS</b><br>Learn about identifying invasive plants and methods of control. Tour around the headquarters campus for identification practice with a DCR Natural Resource Analyst. <b>Meet at DCR Water Supply Protection Headquarters Building, 180 Beaman Street, West Boylston. Entrance is at the flagpoles.</b>  |

coming events