

Four Mile Pond, Boxford MA



Four Mile Pond in Boxford Massachusetts is a 54 acre fresh-water partially spring-fed pond. Four Mile Pond is a Massachusetts great pond, which is defined as any pond or lake that contained more than 10 acres in its natural state. Recreational activities include wintertime ice skating, hockey, and cross-country skiing. Spring, summer, and fall allows for kayaking and canoeing and fishing for bass, sunfish, pickerel and perch. The depth of Four Mile Pond in its center is approximately 25 feet. The pond is roughly 800 feet wide and 1900 feet at its longest and is easily seen from the road near Herrick Street and High Ridge Road.

Upstream water flows from Spofford Pond (27 acres), under Ipswich Road (culvert) into the Wildcat Conservation area (319 acres), under Herrick Street (culvert), into Mill Brook located along the Alpers Woods (20 acres) boundary, then runs downhill into the north-west end of the pond.

Water flows out of Four Mile Pond at its east end into Pye Brook. The Pye Brook area between the formal end of Four Mile Pond and Georgetown Road is an interesting natural area of marshes frequented by many species of birds including great blue herons, ducks and redwing blackbirds. This section of Pye Brook can be navigated in a canoe or kayak however it does get shallow making paddling somewhat challenging during lower water periods. Pye Brook continues to an approximately 15 foot concrete dam located west of Georgetown Road, then travels under Georgetown Road (culvert) downstream into Lowe Pond (30 acres).

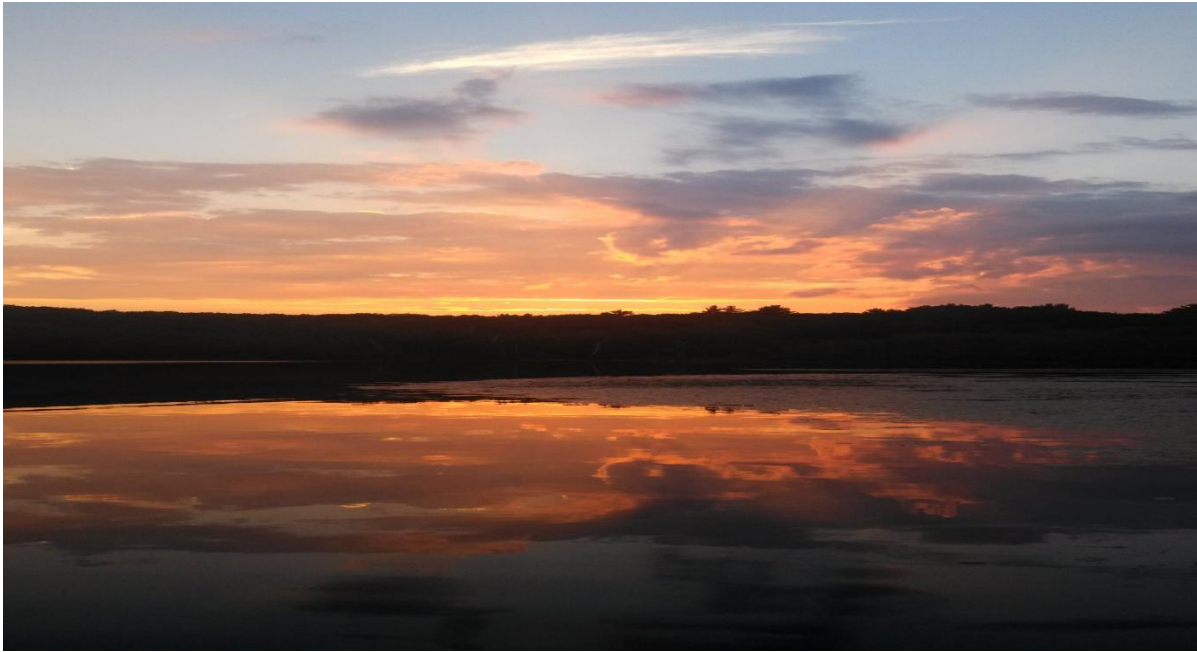
Four Mile Pond has about 16 abutters including the Alpers Woods conservation land (14 acres) and Four Mile Village. The Pye Brook marsh area is bounded by High Ridge Road and Batchelder Road with about 25 abutters and is a great habitat for bird watching.



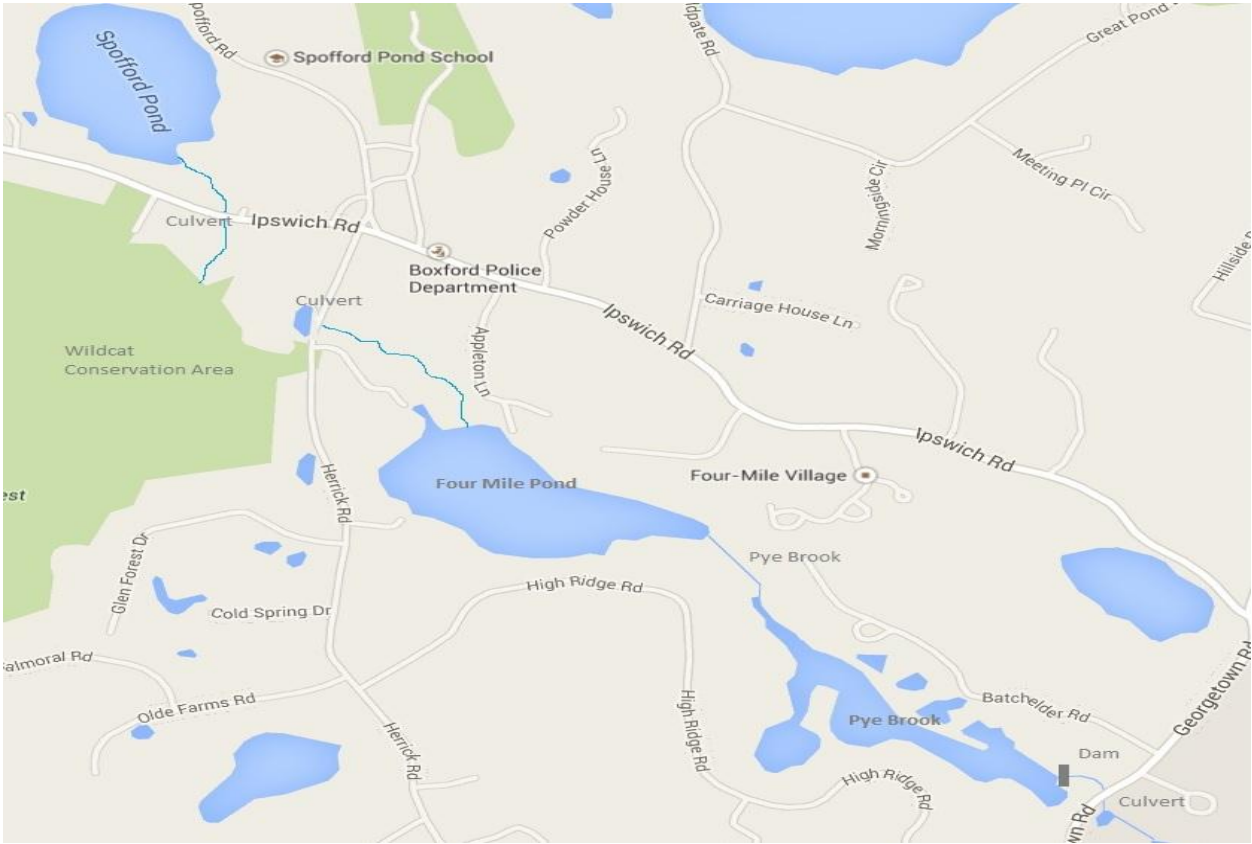
Beavers, ducks, turtles, fish, frogs, dragonflies, water snakes, herons, osprey, migrating birds, cormorants, fisher cats, and deer are frequently spotted near this pond.



Summer sunset over Four Mile Pond



Map Of Related Waterways



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