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 – A Corridor for Hay and Wildlife

In colonial times, the Great Hay Road was a cartway used to transport salt hay from the southern marshes to mid Cape farms and beyond. The Jehu Pond Conservation Area consists of lands owned by the USFWS, the Town of Mashpee, and the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation. It serves as an important corridor for many wildlife species and contains excellent examples of Cape Cod habitat types. In this relatively small area you can experience a walk from the dry oak forest to cool moss-filled cedar swamps, and past the always changing tidal estuary to the fire-dependent pitch pine forest. Jehu Pond itself is a sub-embayment of the Waquoit Bay estuary and the land adjacent to it is home to white-tailed deer, turkey, osprey, coyotes, eastern box turtles, New England cottontail, northern long-eared bats, and other wildlife.