## **Come visit**

The Fannie Stebbins Memorial Wildlife Refuge and the larger floodplain area known as the "Longmeadow Flats" has been designated as a National Landmark by the U.S. Department of the Interior, and an Important Bird Area by the Massachusetts Audubon Society.

The nearly 400 acre area is subject to periodic flooding, representative of this type of habitat, and includes bordering swamps, ponded water, vegetated wetlands, meadows, hardwood forest and riverbank. It encompasses one of the largest remaining patches of floodplain forests and wetlands along this heavily human-impacted section of the Connecticut River. The wetlands provide breeding habitat for marsh birds and stop-over habitat for migratory waterfowl.

Fannie Stebbins Refuge offers several designated walking and hiking trails. The Unit is open to the public for wildlife observation, photography, fishing, and hiking. It is open year round from sun-up to sun-down. The Fannie Stebbins Unit is located on Pondside Road, Longmeadow Massachusetts.



