

## CHAPMAN POND PRESERVE

### Directions:

- \* From the junction of Routes 82 and 151, follow Route 82 south for 1 mile.
- \* Turn right onto River Road.
- \* The preserve entrance is just in front of the yellow road sign where the road takes a sharp turn to the left.

NOTE: The road into the preserve and parking area typically has very deep ruts and should be used with extreme caution. Depending on your vehicle, it might be best to park off to the side of River Road and walk into the preserve.

### Birding:

In the winter, the trees along the western edge of the pond provide roosting for Bald Eagles. In spring and summer, osprey can be found feeding and kingfishers will often rush noisily from tree to tree.

If you notice any problems contact [ct@tnc.org](mailto:ct@tnc.org)

For more information, see:  
[www.nature.org](http://www.nature.org)

### Trail Facts:

- ◇ The 3.14 miles blue trail begins just beyond the parking area.
- ◇ After walking a short distance, the trail splits, going either straight or turning right. It is a loop so either direction will end up back at the parking area.
- ◇ The trail requires crossing some streams by simple rock hopping.
- ◇ There is a broken dam that creates some waterfalls.
- ◇ A portion of the trail runs along Chapman Pond where there are multiple places to stop and enjoy the sights and sounds around you.
- ◇ The trail has gradual elevation changes, some of which are fairly steep and extended in length.

### Permitted Activities:

- ◆ Hiking
- ◆ Birding
- ◆ Canoeing
- ◆ Nature study
- ◆ Cross-country skiing
- ◆ Snow shoeing

No motorized vehicles are allowed on the property.

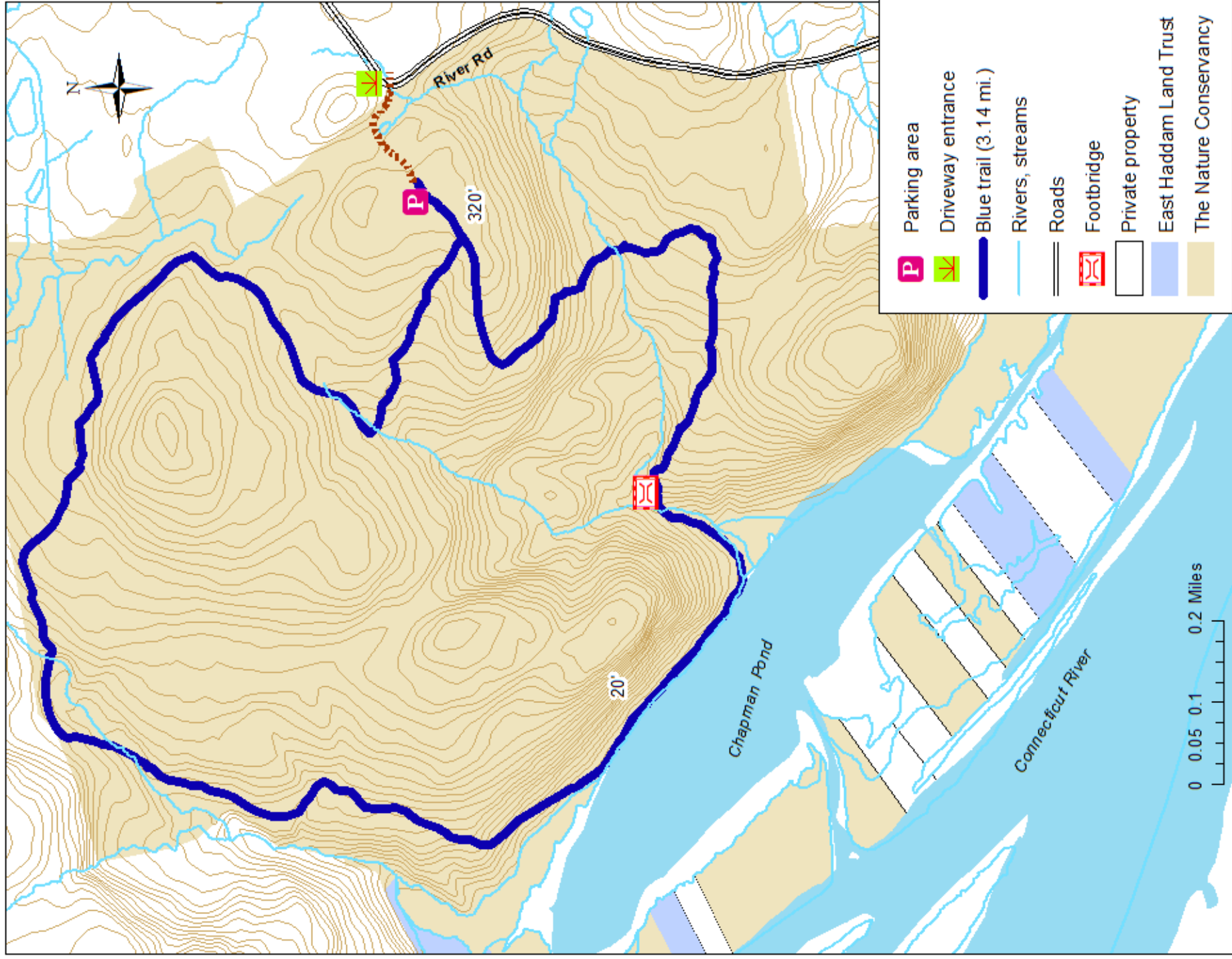
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Chapman Pond is a 60-acre tidal pond located within a 700-acre preserve owned by The Nature Conservancy. It is home to more than 200 plant species, several of which are classified as rare in Connecticut. The tidal, freshwater pond can be accessed from the Connecticut River by vessel. There is a hiking trail in the woods above the water. There are also sometimes fishermen on the pond hoping to catch pickerel, pike, carp, bass or perch. Waterfowl hunters are seen in the fall and early winter.



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Contours = 10' intervals

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