

Headquarters, Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge (LUNWR)

Coordinates: 44 56' 10.2" 71 02' 05.0"

Location: Route 16 at the Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters, 6 miles north of Errol, NH.

Owner: US Fish and Wildlife Service Manager: Lake Umbagog NWR

Launch facilities:

Gravel boat launch for trailered boats Grassy river bank for hand carry boats

Floating dock for loading boats

Miles to downstream access: 10; Approximate paddle time: 2 hours roundtrip to Lake Umbagog and back

Parking:

Parking for 12 vehicles, including several with trailers across from headquarters (note that the parking area is used by USFWS personnel as well)

Amenities:

Toilets (seasonal) Information kiosk Picnic tables UNWR information and resources

Water Conditions:

The water is deep close to shore and there is a slow current. The section of the river from the Route 16 bridge near the Maine/New Hampshire state line to the confluence with the Androscoggin River is flat water with a moderate current.

General Comments:

This site can be crowded with motorcraft and trailers. Hand-carry access at Wentworth location preferred. There are excellent wildlife viewing opportunities along the river, but there may be considerable large boat traffic in the summer, especially on weekends. Large boats tend to be courteous, especially on narrow waterways.

Local Attractions:

Umbagog Lake State Park Magalloway River Trail-Trailhead is 1.5 miles north of Refuge headquarters on Route 16. Dixville Notch State Park 13 Mile Woods Community Forest