

Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed

River segments to propose for Wild and Scenic Designation

River	County	Reach	Length (miles)	Description
(1) Chipuxet River	Washington	From: Hundred Acre Pond, South Kingstown To: Worden Pond, South Kingstown	6	<p>Botanic-(Segment includes Great Swamp, which is the largest swamp in New England and supports extensive swamp forest and marsh vegetation. The area is a National Natural Landmark.)</p> <p>Geologic-(Segment contains three large unique kettle ponds - Thirty Acre, Hundred Acre, and Larkin Ponds)</p> <p>Historic-(Segment includes portions of the site where a decisive colonial battle was fought with the Narragansett Indians.)</p>
(2) Pawcatuck River	Washington	From: Worden Pond, South Kingstown To: Main Street/ Rt. 3 (Nooseneck Hill Road), Hopkinton/ Westerly	28	<p>Geologic-(The topography, including outwash plains and depressions forming Worden Pond, is an exceptional example of glacial deposition of the late Ice Age.)</p> <p>Historic-(Segment includes portions of the site where a decisive colonial battle was fought with the Narragansett Indians.)</p>
(3) Pawcatuck River	Washington, New London	From: Main Street, Hopkinton/ Westerly To: Pawcatuck Rock, Westerly/ Stonington	7	<p>Recreation-(Segment is unique in that it contains significant fish and wildlife habitat in close proximity to major urban population centers of southeastern New England. The river provides unmatched opportunities for non-motorized boating, wildlife viewing, and photography. Adjacent to the river are many areas for hiking, camping, and hunting.)</p>
(4) Wood River	Washington, Kent, New London, Windham	From: Its headwaters, Sterling/ Voluntown/ Exeter/ West Greenwich To: Skunk Hill Road, Richmond/ Hopkinton and including all of its tributaries	11	<p>Recreation-(Segment is in close proximity to the urban population centers of southeastern New England and includes significant and diverse recreation features including a trout fishery, a trail network, and Class II canoe waters.)</p> <p>Wildlife (Segment contains large continuously forested areas, along with a mix of many diverse aquatic and terrestrial habitats that contained flora and fauna specialist.)</p> <p>Botanic (Segment contains two unusual bogs and hundreds of vernal pools, along with many habitats supporting state listed rare or endangered species.)</p>

(5) Wood River	Washington	From: Skunk Hill Road, Hopkinton/ Richmond To: Pawcatuck River, Charlestown/ Hopkinton/ Richmond	10	Recreation-(Segment is in close proximity to the urban population centers of southeastern New England and includes significant and diverse recreation features including a trout fishery, a trail network, and Class II canoe waters.) (Segment is unique in that it contains a significant trout fishery and wildlife habitat in close proximity to major urban population centers of southeastern New England.)
(6) Queen River	Washington, Kent	From: Its headwaters, Exeter/ West Greenwich To: Kingstown Road, South Kingstown and including all its tributaries	10	Wildlife (Segment is unique in that it contains several populations of rare and endangered odonata and habitat which could support other rare and endangered species)
(7) Queen (Usquepaugh) River	Washington	From: Kingstown Road, South Kingstown To: Pawcatuck River, Richmond/ South Kingstown	5	Wildlife (Segment is entirely free flowing and is not maintained for recreation. It contains a significant endemic trout fishery and wildlife habitat in close proximity to major urban population centers of southeastern New England.)
(8) Beaver River	Washington	From: Its headwaters, Exeter/West Greenwich To: Pawcatuck River, Richmond	10	Wildlife (Segment is unique in that it contains suitable habitat for rare and endangered endemic species. It is also an exemplary habitat for native brook trout.)

A total of 87 miles of river segments are proposed.