

STATION 23 Edge of Delta and Hurricane-Damaged Tree

The abrupt change in slope marks the edge of a delta deposited by a stream that flowed into Glacial lake Assabet during a waning stage when the lake level was gradually falling. The nearby stone wall marks the edge of a former cultivated field. A bend in the large white pine along the sloping path may indicate damage from the hurricane of 1938 that devastated forests in much of New England, including Northborough.



Forest impact from the 1938 Hurricane in New England.



Hurricane of 1938



A stand of pine trees looks like they snapped like toothpicks due to wind damage from the Hurricane of 1938. Photo credit courtesy the NH Division of Forests and Lands.