

Chester

Habitat Connectivity



This map is nonregulatory and is intended for planning purposes only



Area of Interest

Organized Towns

Unorganized Towns

Impervious Surface

Focus Areas

Focus Areas of Statewide Ecological Significance

Conserved Lands

Fee and Easement Conservation Land

Habitat Connectors

Likely Road Crossing Areas for Wildlife

Habitat Blocks

Comprehensive Plan Review Criteria Rule (DACF Chapter 208) requires blocks >500 acres be considered important natural resources for town comprehensive planning.

0-500 Acres
 500+ Acres

Development Buffer

Wildlife Vehicle Collisions

Frequency of collisions with large animals
Recorded by Dep. Of Transportation (2015 - 2025)



Low High

TOWNSHIP BOUNDARIES
ME Office of GIS (2021)
IMPERVIOUS
CCAP NOAA impervious land cover (2022)
HYDROLOGY
US Geological Survey (2016)
CONSERVED LANDS
ME Dept of Ag., Cons., and For., Land Use Planning Comm'n, ME Dep. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (2026)
UNDEVELOPED HABITAT BLOCKS
Beginning with Habitat (BwH) (2024)

HABITAT CONNECTORS BwH (2024)
FOCUS AREAS BwH (2023)
MAINE STREAM HABITAT VIEWER CROSSINGS
ME Dept of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (2022)
WILDLIFE-VEHICLE COLLISIONS
MDOT data (2015-2025) analyzed by BwH

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