

### **Scantic Riparian Area**

NCLT's Scantic Riparian Area Nature Preserve is located off of Durkee Road in Somers and is open to the public for walking or horseback riding. It is an outstanding location for birding and there is also beaver activity in the area with a beaver dam and at least one lodge. The former loop trail along the river is closed due to periodic flooding as well as a broken footbridge. A walk of about a half mile along the powerline maintenance road leads past cattail marshes.

Park under the powerline tower on Durkee Road just west of the Scantic River bridge. Walk around the locked gate across the road to access the area. Due to the large bird population please leave Fido at home when visiting the area.