

**Natural Community Title**



**Overview**

Dry oak / pine forest and woodlands of moraines, till, outwash, southerly exposures, and rocky slopes. Matrix forest of southeastern Massachusetts. The proportions of different species are variable, and range from predominantly pine with scattered oaks to predominantly oak with scattered pines. The structure ranges from open canopy with a thick understory, to closed canopy with scattered clumps of shrubs.

Dry, low nutrient, acidic soils of moraines and rocky slopes, also less disturbed sandplains, inland away from regular oceanic influences. Pitch pine - oak forests surround coastal plain ponds, pitch pine / scrub oak communities, and grade into coastal forests towards the ocean. (NHESP)



**Associated Plants:**

**Pitch Pine (*Pinus rigida*)**  
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