The soil map unit symbol is the key to indentifying the multitude of properties and interpretations that are contained within the soils survey. The soil survey contains interpretations or ratings of the soils for various purposes. For example:

- Charlton-Urban land complex, 8 to 15 percent slopes
- Shelburne fine sandy loam, 15 to 35 percent slopes, extremely stony
- Haven and Enfield soils, 8 to 15 percent slopes
- Haven-Urban land complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes
- Moosilauke sandy loam
- Charlton-Chatfield complex, 15 to 45 percent slopes, very rocky
- Georgia and Amenia silt loams, 3 to 8 percent slopes, very stony
- Brancroft silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes
- Sutton-Urban land complex, 0 to 8 percent slopes
- Sudbury sandy loam
- Pawcatuck mucky peat
- Rock outcrop-Holyoke complex, 3 to 45 percent slopes
- Timakwa and Natchaug soils
- Bice-Millsite complex, 15 to 45 percent slopes, very rocky

Each soil map unit symbol represents a specific set of properties and interpretations.