

# WARNING

LEVERETT POND TO BE TREATED ON

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018

THESE WATERS HAVE BEEN CHEMICALLY TREATED  
TO CONTROL THE GROWTH OF NUISANCE  
AQUATIC VEGETATION

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DO NOT USE THE WATER FOR THE FOLLOWING  
PURPOSE(S) UNTIL THE DATE NOTED BELOW:

DRINKING AND COOKING	05/21/2018
BOATING, FISHING AND SWIMMING	05/18/2018
WATERING OF LIVESTOCK	05/19/2018
IRRIGATION:	05/23/2018

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:



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THIS CHEMICAL TREATMENT IS BEING CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (MASSDEP) AND AN ORDER OF CONDITIONS ISSUED BY THE LEVERETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION DEP FILE # 200-0166

THIS SIGN MUST REMAIN POSTED 7 DAYS AFTER TREATMENT OR UNTIL THE LATEST DATE LISTED ABOVE

**DEP 200-0166  
Leverett Pond Nuisance Aquatic Weed Management  
Friends of Leverett Pond**

**Notice of Herbicide Application on May 17, 2018**

Under Massachusetts Department of Protection Wetlands Protection Permit 200-0166; concurrence of the Leverett Conservation Commission (LCC); and a License to Apply Chemicals for Control of Nuisance Aquatic Vegetation from the DEP Bureau of Resource Protection, the Friends of Leverett Pond (FLP) through its state-licensed applicator Solitude Lake Management, Inc. of Southbridge, MA, will conduct **an herbicide application in Leverett Pond on May 17, 2018.**

The application area will cover approximately 8 acres of the 102-acre pond, including shoreline areas, waterfronts and the town right-of-way. Brightly colored cautionary signs will be posted on access roadways and driveways to the Pond, waterfronts, and the town Right-of-Way on Depot Road. **Swimming and boating should be avoided for 24 hours as indicated in signage.**

FLP is targeting the invasive mono-culturistic species Eurasian and Variable Milfoil (*Myriophyllum spicatum* and *Myriophyllum heterophyllum*), Curly Leaf Pondweed (*Potamogeton crispus*), and Swollen Bladderwort (*Utricularia inflata*). These plants create hazards for wildlife, for fishing and swimming, reduce water quality, and out-compete Native plants.

FLP's consultant Solitude Lake Management, Inc. has recommended one application in mid-May to better target curly-leaf pondweed before it propagates in late May. In a separate application in June, milfoil and bladderwort will be targeted once foliage is near maximum and growth tips are evident. This approach promises to provide better control of these invasive plants for a longer period. The FLP will notify the LCC of the date of the second application in June, once that date is known.