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## RE: Leverett Pond, Leverett WPA NOI question

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To: Mitchell Mulholland <mulholla@umass.edu>

Thu, Oct 1, 2020 at 11:53 AM

Mitchell,

I looked at the Priority Habitat mapping of Leverett Pond. The lake/pond treatments described below would not require a MESA filing. Please let me know if you have any additional questions. Thank you,

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Hi Melany,

I am preparing a Notice of Intent for a Wetlands Protection Act permit from MDEP. The proposed project will conduct nuisance aquatic weed management that will involve: herbicide treatment of about 8 acres out of 102 acres within the pond (mostly milfoil and a few other invasive plants); and hydro-raking and some harvesting in

areas of approximately 4 acres. We had a permit (DEP 100-0166) over the past 10 years doing a similar project. We've been asked to submit a new NOI partly because of the age of the project.

I have reviewed the NHESP map online and it looks like Area of Concern PH2064 may intersect the northernmost part of the Leverett Pond wetland, an area that is well north of the area to be impacted by the proposed project. The clarity of my map and width of lines makes the location a little fuzzy. Could you please check the map and see if it actually does touch the wetland? And if so, what is required of us from your agency regarding the project?

I appreciate your time and consideration.

Mitchell Mulholland

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