

AQUATIC PLANT IDENTIFICATION WORKSHOP

On the water in Little Cobbossee Lake, Winthrop, June 29, 9 a.m. to Noon

A free “plant paddle” workshop will be held on Little Cobbossee Lake in Winthrop to teach people to identify aquatic plants and to conduct surveys for invasive plants in our lakes and ponds. The workshop is being organized by Lake Stewards of Maine (LSM) in conjunction with Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed and the 30 Mile River Watershed Association. The workshop will be held at the Friends of the Cobbossee Watershed office on Little Cobbossee Lake in Winthrop (2518 US Route 202) on Saturday, June 29 from 9 a.m. to Noon.



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In this outdoor, on-the-water class, people will learn how to survey for suspicious aquatic plants, covering basic botany, plant structure and life cycles. We will use Lake Stewards of Maine’s Quick Key to determine whether plants might be invasive and will present information on which invasive plants occur in Maine lakes. We also will discuss methods for monitoring lakes and reporting findings by becoming an invasive plant patrol (IPP) volunteer.

This class is free to all. Registration is required.

Please sign up by visiting:

<https://www.lakestewardsofmaine.org/online-registration-for-in-person-workshops/>

Upon registration, all guests will receive information on workshop details and location. This class is required for those seeking Tier 1 certification through LSM.

Participants may bring their own small, shallow draft craft (canoe, kayak, rowboat). For people who wish to attend but do not have their own watercraft, appropriate arrangements can be made.

Lake Stewards of Maine is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization which works to protect Maine lakes and to promote lake stewardship through widespread citizen participation in the gathering and dissemination of credible scientific information pertaining to lake health. For more information, please contact 207-783-7733, email stewards@lakestewardsmaine.org, or visit www.lakestewardsofmaine.org.