

DELCARTE POND HERBICIDE TREATMENT

During 2017 and 2018, herbicide treatments will be applied to the DelCarte Ponds as part of the restoration and preservation of this important recreation area. The treatments are designed to eliminate the invasive plant species which are proliferating rapidly and threaten to completely "take over" the waterbodies unless action is taken to stop their spread.

The time frame for this work is as follows:

- Prepare & File MA DEP License to Apply Chemicals Permit - APRIL
- Pre-Treatment Survey – MAY
- Variable Milfoil Treatment – EARLY JUNE
- Initial Water Chestnut Treatment – EARLY JUNE
- Interim Survey – LATE JUNE
- Follow-Up Water Chestnut Treatment – EARLY JULY
- Final Post-Treatment Survey – AUGUST/SEPTEMBER
- Year-End Report – NOVEMBER/DECEMBER

Signs will be posted at the ponds concerning this work it is important to bear in mind that ON THE DAY OF THE TREATMENTS, USE OF THE PONDS WILL BE RESTRICTED.

Any questions on this project should be directed to the Conservation office at 508-520-4929.