

GPS Weed Location Survey and Future Weed Treatments

A GPS survey of the invasive weed beds will be made on Tuesday, May 11, and herbicide treatments as described below are tentatively planned for the week of May 16, weather permitting. Exact treatment dates and the number of acres needing treatment have not yet been determined.

The DNR, like last year, is again allowing same-day treatment of invasive weed beds and shorelines provided that the shoreline is not within or near the treated invasive weed bed. This is to avoid double treatment of those shorelines on the same day. Shorelines within or near an invasive treatment area will be treated approximately 21 days after the invasive treatment was applied. In previous years, there was a mandatory 25-day wait between the treatment of invasive weeds (covered by the LARE Grant) and herbicide treatments for shoreline weeds.

On May 6, 2021, 16.75 acres of Webster Lake which were overgrown with Curlyleaf Pondweed were chemically treated with contact herbicides at an estimated cost of \$4,700, all of which will be paid for by WLCA member dues and contributions to the Weed Fund.

Pursuant to the 2021 Annual Vegetation Management Plan, The Department of Natural Resources limited the May 6 treatment areas to the affected lake shorelines indicated on the map below. The shoreline area in Echo Bay (northeastern corner) extending east from the condominiums to Weimer's Landing was further limited to the creation of boat lanes only through the weed bed to enable access to the condominium and homeowners' boat docks.

To minimize the creation of weed chop in the Echo Bay area, please do not drive through the weed bed along the north shoreline. There is (or was) a buoy placed at the outer-most edge of the weed bed to help you avoid it. The bed extends from the buoy to the shoreline.

Thank you for your consideration and for you support of the WLCA and its efforts to manage weed growth, minimize weed chop, and improve navigation on Webster Lake. WLCA is member funded, please join us. Find us on the web at www.lakewebster.net.

