



# VLMMP

## Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program

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### **INVASIVE AQUATIC PLANT MANUAL CONTROL TRAINING FOR SCUBA DIVERS**

**& surface support PROVIDERS**



**Part 1:**  
**Intro to Manual Control**  
With Manual Harvesting &  
Benthic Barrier In-lake Instruction &  
Practice

Wednesday, June 17  
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Memorial Hall  
Church Street, Oakland

**Part 2:**  
**Diver Assisted Suction  
Harvesting (DASH)**  
In-lake Instruction & Practice

Saturday, June 20  
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Oakland Boat Landing  
Messalonskee Lake



## **This two-part training event is only offered once a year**

If you are interested in taking part in control projects this summer as a certified member of Maine's IAP Manual Control Team, *please do not miss this opportunity!*

**Register today by contacting the MAINE VOLUNTEER LAKE MONITORING PROGRAM  
(207) 783-7733 or [christine@mainevlmp.org](mailto:christine@mainevlmp.org)**

Both training events are offered **FREE** of charge. We welcome you to register for one or both. If you have not yet participated in a manual control workshop, participation in the introductory training (June 17) is strongly advised. ***The introductory training is mandatory for those who wish to become a certified member of Maine's IAP Manual Control Team and/or participate in IAP control programs that receive State funding.***

### **SPACE IN BOTH WORKSHOPS IS LIMITED**

**Preference will be given to staff and volunteers affiliated with existing control efforts in Maine**

Please bring all of the gear, food and beverage you need to be comfortable for the duration. You are welcome to join us for free morning snacks and beverages. If you wish to purchase your lunch locally, we have made arrangements for group order and pick-up with the Riverside Farm Café, where lunch prices range from \$7 to \$11. We will have fruit, cookies, and beverages on hand to round out your meal. *Please let us know if you would like to purchase your lunch when you register, at which time you may place your order with us. You may pay for your lunch when you check in on the day of the workshop. To consider your lunch options, please see the Riverside Farm Café LUNCH menu at [www.riversidefarmmarket.com/lunchmenu](http://www.riversidefarmmarket.com/lunchmenu).*

***Volunteers are needed for both workshops to assist with fragment skimming***

## **ALL SCUBA AND HOOKA DIVERS MUST BRING THEIR OWN GEAR SCUBA divers must show proof of certification**

**PLEASE BRING DIVER FLAGS &  
MESH DIVE BAGS IF YOU HAVE THEM**

**These trainings are made possible with support from:**

Belgrade Regional Conservation Alliance  
Community Lakes Association  
Cushman Pond Milfoil Team  
Friends of Messalonskee Lake  
Lakes Environmental Association  
Maine Department of Environmental Protection  
Maine Lake and River Protection Sticker Program  
Maine Volunteer Lake Monitoring Program

### **JOIN MAINE'S IAP RAPID RESPONSE TEAM!**

Participants who complete Part I of this course qualify to become part of Maine's Invasive Aquatic Plant Rapid Response Team. At the conclusion of the training you may elect to complete a questionnaire and become registered on the Team roster. The roster is made available to lake associations, municipal officials, and others interested in hiring divers and those trained in surface support to do invasives-related work. State agencies will also use this list to facilitate the process of securing trained individuals for State-funded rapid response projects.