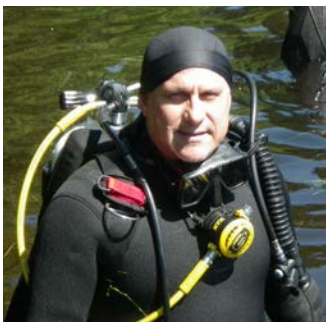




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INVASIVE AQUATIC PLANT MANUAL CONTROL TRAINING FOR SCUBA DIVERS

& surface support PROVIDERS



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

Monday, June 20
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Gardiner Sportsmen's Club
154 Cobbossee Ave, Gardiner

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

Wednesday, June 23
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Gardiner Sportsmen's Club
154 Cobbossee Ave, Gardiner



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

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 20) is strongly advised. ***This 1st 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. To participate in State funded IAP control projects involving DASH, the 2nd (DASH) workshop is also required.***

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 Slates Restaurant & Bakery in Hallowell. (Most items on our simplified menu will cost \$10) 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. The menu is posted on the VLMP website at www.mainevlmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/SLATES-LUNCH-MENU_VLMP.pdf*

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 Cobbossee Watershed
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 a certified member of Maine's IAP Manual Control Team and also meet the requirement for participating in IAP control programs that receive State funding. Completion of **Part 2** is required for those who will be participating in State funded IAP control projects involving DASH. 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, state agencies, and others interested in hiring divers and those trained in surface support to do invasives-related work.