

2010 LAPA Spring Workshop

Saturday May 1st
Controy Pavilion on the shores of Lake Onota
Pittsfield MA

8:30 – 9:00 Coffee – Social Time

**9:00 - 9:45 DCR Presenting Environmental Educators & Self
Certification Process**

These are two new subjects and DCR's Lakes & Ponds will present new material covered in the report of the Zebra Mussel Task Force. This is a very important subject for all of our LAPA members looking to understand how to protect their lake or pond this season.

**9:45 – 10:30 Proposed Changes in the Boating Regulations by Mass
Environmental Police**

Many of these proposed changes have been incorporated into legislation proposed by Ben Downing last summer. Hopefully, the changes will be approved by the Legislature shortly and all Members need to be aware of this information as the boating season begins.

10:30 – 11:15 Directors Roundtable

Discuss common issues and lake management techniques with other associations. We all face similar issues and a great deal can be learned from one another. The following is a sampling of items that will be discussed:

monitoring programs weed management
interaction w/state agencies lake steward program

We are also extending a special invitation to the principals of several of the consulting firms that have done extensive work over the years on many LAPA –West lakes and ponds.

11:15 – 12:00 Weed Identification & ZM Testing Training (ConCurrent)

Feel free to bring an aquatic plant (or plants) from your lake for identification. We expect to have a couple of pontoon boats available to instruct in ZM testing technique. Testing is a first line of defense practice and LAPA is encouraging all members to test this season

**Pre-registration is helpful please register with Jack Hickey
jhickey@jhracs.com 413-442-6713**

Use of Controy Pavilion is being generously donated by the City of Pittsfield

Directions to Controy Pavilion on Onota Lake

From the center of Pittsfield at Park Square, go north on North Street, for 0.7 mile and through 6 stoplights. Turn left on Wahconah Street (just before the Berkshire Medical Center). Go 0.6 mile to the second stoplight. Turn left on Pecks Road. Go west on Pecks Road for 1.1 miles (through the stoplight at Highland Avenue). Turn left on Lakeway Drive. There is a sign for the Controy Pavilion there. Go 0.4 mile to the Pavilion's entrance on the right (through the gate). Park on the left, across from the Pavilion.