Aquatic Invasive Plant Species in River Herring Runs

Workshop sponsored by: River Herring Network & Middleborough-Lakeville Fisheries Commission

Wednesday March 7, 2018 8:15AM-2:30PM Lakeville Public Library 4 Precinct St. Lakeville, MA 02347

8:15-8:30 Registration & Coffee
8:30AM Welcome & Introductions
8:45AM Aquatic invasive plant species & herring runs Brad Chase, MA Division of Marine Fisheries

9:00AM Introduction to life history & natural history of invasive milfoils, water chestnut, and fanwort

Dr. Donald Padgett, Bridgewater State University

9:45AM Overview of options for chemical, mechanical, and biological control, and how to monitor water quality and effectiveness of treatment

Keith Gazaille, Solitude Lake Management

10:45 Mid Morning Break

11:00AM **Methods for preventing invasions** Dr. David Wong, MA Department of Environmental Protection

11:30AM **Permitting considerations for managing aquatic invasive species** Lealdon Langley, MA Department of Environmental Protection

12:00-12:30 Pizza Lunch Break and Discussion Time

12:30PM **Asian clam**, *Corbicula fluminea* Dr. Donald Padgett, Bridgewater State University

- 12:45PM **Keeping stream flow in mind** Michelle Craddock, MA Division of Ecological Restoration
- 1:15-2:15 Open Panel Discussion with questions from the audience

2:15 Closing Comments









Activities & Goals of the River Herring Network

- 1. Facilitate communication among herring wardens, herring count volunteers, watershed organizations, and state and federal agencies.
- 2. Provide forums to hear and discuss management issues, research updates, and local projects from relevant local, state, and federal agencies and organizations.
- Gather useful information from academic institutions, state and federal agencies, and non-profit groups, and distribute it to wardens and volunteers

The ultimate goal is to do work that will increase the numbers of alewife and blueback herring in the waters of Massachusetts.

Goals of the Middleborough-Lakeville Herring Fishery Commission

Actively work to improve the alewife/herring fishery of Middleborough and Lakeville through sound management practices and public education.

