

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Help Harvest Water Chestnut

Paddle & Pull, or Haul Plants **Sat. June 12** 10 am – 2 pm

Invasive Covers 50 acres of Central Pond

- Plants are easily pulled from water by hand
- Removing them stops plants from spreading
- Must pull plants out before seeds form in Aug
- Goal: clear channel to river from Central Pond

Volunteer Efforts in East Providence

- Non-boaters are needed to unload on shore
- Paddlers must provide own canoe or kayak (put in by Kimberly Rock Fields, Rumford)
- Bring bucket, old laundry basket, or milk crate
- Expect to get muddy and dress accordingly
- Interested? Email: keith@tenmileriver.net



Sign-Up by
JUNE 11!

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It is estimated that invasive water chestnut covers over 50 acres of Central Pond and is spreading downstream to Turner Reservoir in East Providence. Invasives impede fishing and boating opportunities, threaten a healthy balance of native plants, and will be costly to manage long-term. These plants will reproduce by seed if left to grow, but removal of just ONE young plant can stop upwards of 150 sharp seeds from sprouting next year, and volunteer efforts will gradually reduce plant coverage more and more each year as we work together to manage the water chestnut population and reduce plant cover over time.