

Vermont Aquatic Invasive Species Program Boat Access Greeter Program Training Workshops

Friday May 9, 2014 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM Capitol City Grange Hall Berlin, VT Saturday May 17, 2014 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM Hubbardton Town Hall Hubbardton, VT

Friday May 23, 2014 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM Glover Town Hall Glover, VT Saturday May 31, 2014 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM Marlboro College Graduate Center Brattleboro, VT

The Vermont Aquatic Invasive Species Program is pleased to offer these four **free** workshops to help train and prepare staff and supervisors for all participating Greeter Programs. These workshops are also for anyone interested in starting a new program or wanting to learn more about aquatic invasive species spread prevention. All four workshops cover the same topics, so please <u>attend whichever workshop is most convenient for you</u>.

Program goals

To prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species by establishing a well-trained network of boat access greeters who:

- Offer visual inspections of boats and associated equipment to locate and remove any hitchhiking plant material or animals.
- Educate water users on the importance of spread prevention and on Vermont's spread prevention laws.

Topics to be covered

- Aquatic invasive species biology, threats to Vermont, and the importance of spread prevention
- Aquatic invasive species identification hands-on workshop
- Access area rules and regulations, baitfish regulations, and invasive species laws
- Tips on delivering invasive species messages and interacting with the public

Open aquatic invasive species discussion over lunch

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH; beverages and treats will be provided.

Pick-up greeter program tools

Greeter Program Training Manual, sandwich board welcome signs, t-shirts, and educational handouts are free to any Greeter Program.



Access Greeter t-shirt

Sandwich board welcome sign

Greeter Program Training Manual

Registration required

To register, please contact Misha Cetner at <u>misha.cetner@state.vt.us</u> at least several days before the scheduled date of the workshop you'd like to attend. Please provide your **name** and the **workshop location**. You may also register a group as long as you indicate the number of people and which workshop they will be attending. All workshops are provided at no cost to participants!

Workshop locations

Please contact Misha Cetner at <u>misha.cetner@state.vt.us</u> if you have questions regarding directions or parking. Look for a Greeter Program sandwich board outside the building where the workshop is being held. Exact street addresses are below.

- Capitol City Grange Hall: 6612 Vermont 12, Berlin, VT 05602
- Hubbardton Town Hall: 1831 Monument Hill Rd, Castleton, VT 05735
- Glover Town Hall: 3018 Glover Rd (Vermont 16), Glover, VT 05839
- Marlboro College Graduate Center: 28 Vernon St, Brattleboro, VT 05301

We hope to see you in May as we kick off the 2014 Vermont Boat Access Greeter Program!