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USACE CONNECTICUT RIVER HYDRILLA RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECT
HAMBURG COVE STAKEHOLDER MEETING
LYME, CT

Interested stakeholders are hereby notified that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), New England District, in partnership with the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG) & the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station: Office of Aquatic Invasive Species (CAES-OAIS), is conducting a research and demonstration project to better understand and control the invasive aquatic plant hydrilla (*hydrilla verticillata*) that is currently spreading throughout the lower Connecticut River and its tributaries. A public stakeholder meeting will be held April 23 (details below), to notify stakeholders about the USACE's plans to include Hamburg Cove in the summer 2025 field demonstration site list. USACE will provide more details about the current research that is being done to assist the local communities in their efforts to reduce current populations of hydrilla, to plan for future action, and to contain further spread of the plant outside of the current known locations. The use of registered aquatic herbicides, as part of the USACE research and demonstration project, in Hamburg Cove is scheduled to occur, either during the summer or fall of 2025.

Meeting & Presentation Details: This public meeting will be in-person only, and Hamburg Cove stakeholders from Lyme are the primary group invited to this meeting. The meeting will allow stakeholders to hear more about the project, provide stakeholders with current information, and to learn more about the concerning impacts associated with hydrilla in the Connecticut River system. The meeting presentation will conclude with a question-and-answer period.

Meeting Details: April 23, 2025
Start time: **7 p.m.**, followed by a question & answer period

Where (in-person): Lyme Town Hall, 480 Hamburg Cove, Lyme, CT.

More details about hydrilla and the USACE demonstration project can be found at the USACE website:
https://www.nae.usace.army.mil/missions/projects-topics/massachusetts-connecticut-river-hydrilla-project/

(website QR code)