

# Lake Attitash in Amesbury & Merrimac to be treated for weeds

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Amesbury, Mass. - Lake Attitash is scheduled to be treated for invading Eurasian and variable milfoil weeds on Wednesday, April 18. As a precaution, boating, fishing and swimming are prohibited for that day only.

A chemical named fluridone (also called Sonar) will be applied to some areas of the lake that day by trained technicians.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Mass. Department of Environmental Protection have approved the use of fluridone as it is being applied to Lake Attitash. This treatment for the lake has also been approved by both Amesbury's and Merrimac's conservation commissions.

Residents are also warned against using water from Lake Attitash to irrigate lawns and gardens. The treated water could affect some species of grass and other plants, so residents should avoid irrigating with lake water until the middle of July. (This period could be extended if additional treatments become necessary.)

Email to info@lakeattitash.org with questions.

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