



## Helpful Resources Regarding Algae, Invasive Aquatic Plants and Caring for our Lakes

### *Recognizing and Knowing what to do Regarding Algae*



A New York State web site to help recognize the various types of algae:

<http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/81962.html>

The Connecticut DEEP Protocol for citizens to report potential blue green algae blooms:

[http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2719&q=510024&deepNav\\_GID=1654](http://www.ct.gov/deep/cwp/view.asp?a=2719&q=510024&deepNav_GID=1654)

A description of the Connecticut DEEP classification of blue-green algae bloom severity levels :

[http://www.ct.gov/deep/lib/deep/water/water\\_quality\\_standards/guidance\\_lhd\\_bga\\_blooms\\_7\\_2013.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/deep/lib/deep/water/water_quality_standards/guidance_lhd_bga_blooms_7_2013.pdf)

A Six Page Guide from the University of Maine that answers the question “What’s that stuff in the water?”

[http://umaine.edu/mitchellcenter/files/2012/06/Field\\_Guide-4.pdf](http://umaine.edu/mitchellcenter/files/2012/06/Field_Guide-4.pdf)

### *Recognizing Invasive Aquatic Plants*

Connecticut’s Guide to Aquatic and Wetland Invasive Plant Identification:

[http://www.ct.gov/caes/lib/caes/invasive\\_aquatic\\_plant\\_program/pdf\\_reports/2012\\_field\\_guide\\_online.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/caes/lib/caes/invasive_aquatic_plant_program/pdf_reports/2012_field_guide_online.pdf)

The Vernon Conservation Commission web site provides a variety of information including instructions for submitting plant samples for identification:

<http://www.vernon-ct.gov/conservation>

### *Rain Garden Information*

Guidance for Designing and Installing a Rain Garden to mitigate run-off into the lakes:

<http://nemo.uconn.edu/raingardens/>

### *General guidance for lake issues*

Connecticut’s guide to Caring for our Lakes – a bit dated but still informative:

[http://www.ct.gov/deep/lib/deep/water/lakes/Caring\\_for\\_Our\\_Lakes.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/deep/lib/deep/water/lakes/Caring_for_Our_Lakes.pdf)

### *Reports on Studies of the Bolton Lakes Watershed*

2014 Bolton Lakes Watershed Report prepared by the Connecticut Environmental Review Team – an in depth report on the lakes and their watershed:

[http://www.ctert.org/ERTWebsite/pdfs/Bolton\\_BoltonLakesWatershed\\_631.pdf](http://www.ctert.org/ERTWebsite/pdfs/Bolton_BoltonLakesWatershed_631.pdf)

Connecticut Agricultural Station Aquatic Plant Surveys for lakes across Connecticut including all three Bolton Lakes:

<http://www.ct.gov/caes/cwp/view.asp?a=2799&q=377004&caesNav=|>