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Bear Lake Watch Announces October 18, 2024 Virtual Eurasian Milfoil Symposium with Top Aquatic Plant Scientists and Organizations

An up-to-date comprehensive symposium open to public, scientists, administrative agencies and press to discuss challenges and opportunities for protecting Bear Lake

Garden City, UT, August 20, 2024 — Bear Lake Watch together with the Utah State University Janet Quinney Lawson Institute of Land, Water, and Air; the Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Foundation, and the Aquatic Plant Management Society are sponsoring a virtual (online) scientific symposium to inform stakeholders of Bear Lake (UT/ID) on up-to-date Eurasian Watermilfoil science and best practices for management of invasive species. Stakeholders include governmental agencies, research scientists, Bear Lake Watch, consultants, applicators/contractors and the general public.

The symposium will take place on Zoom, beginning at 10:00am MT and ending before 2:00 pm. The talks will be recorded and posted for viewing afterwards on the Bear Lake Watch website. There are top scientists and groups participating in the symposium, covering a variety of important and timely topics, including recent updates on Bear Lake's science. The symposium is free-of-charge to all attendees. For more information and to register, please visit <https://bearlakewatch.org/symposium>.

"Bear Lake Watch is excited to convene this outstanding group of top scientists and organizations whose work and experience protects lakes from threats such as Eurasian Watermilfoil and other invasive species. This symposium will inform plans to monitor, treat, prevent invasive species and provide long-term protection against threats to Bear Lake for generations to come," said Brady T. Long, Executive Director of Bear Lake Watch.

About Bear Lake Watch

Bear Lake Watch is a non-profit organization whose mission is to protect and preserve Bear Lake by advocating for the responsible management and use of its resources. Our Vision is Simple, "Keep Bear Lake Clean, Deep and Blue." Bear Lake Watch works with university researchers, institutes, water quality agencies and others to fund scientific research designed to inform better decisions based on solid science. There are eight active projects currently underway. Learn more at <https://bearlakewatch.org/bear-lake-watch/>

About the Utah State University Janet Quinney Lawson Institute of Land, Water & Air

The Janet Quinney Lawson Institute of Land, Water & Air is a major interdisciplinary initiative which focuses on convening the right stakeholders to research, study, and better understand the daunting challenges facing



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Utah. The Institute welcomes the input and partnership of state agencies, local government, private sector partners, nonprofits, elected officials, and our colleagues at other institutions of higher education.

<https://www.usu.edu/ilwa/>

About the Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Foundation

The Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration Foundation is committed to sustainable water resources through the science of aquatic ecosystem management in collaboration with industry, academia, government and other stakeholders. A technical advisory committee comprised of nationally recognized experts in the field of aquatic plant management from academia, federal and state agencies guides the scientific projects of the AERF. For more information, please visit <https://aquatics.org/>.

About the Aquatic Plant Management Society

The Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc. (APMS) is an international organization of scientists, educators, students, commercial pesticide applicators, administrators, and concerned individuals interested in the management and study of aquatic plants. The membership reflects a diversity of federal, state, and local agencies; universities and colleges around the world; corporations; and small businesses. To learn more, visit <https://apms.org>.

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