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Good afternoon Laura,

Thank you for reaching out and apologies for the slow response. If you are still taking comments, please see below.

We recommend that steady water levels be maintained from May 15 to July 31, as this would be ideal for bass spawning and water-dependent nesting birds like loons. Slightly lower water elevations might enhance the Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird Habitats (IWWHs) associated with this waterbody; however, we have no specific recommendations on water level elevations or minimum flows.

Best,

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From: Paye, Laura <Laura.Paye@maine.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024 3:10 PM
Subject: North Pond Water Level Petition

The Department will be conducting an adjudicatory hearing (hearing) regarding the establishment of a water level regime for North Pond in the Towns of Smithfield, Mercer, and Rome. This proceeding is being initiated because of a petition filed with the Department by 58

littoral or riparian owners or entities along North Pond, representing more than 50.

The project folder is located here on our website:

<https://www.maine.gov/dep/ftp/HYDRO/WaterLevelProjects/north-pond/>

On the website is a copy of a Notice of Opportunity to Intervene, providing details on the submission of petitions for leave to intervene on this proceeding, as well as information on opportunities to participate in the review of the proceeding other than as an intervenor (interested persons list).

Please note the August 30th, 2024 deadline for submission of petitions for leave to intervene.

Please contact me if you have questions.

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