



# TOWN OF CONCORD

## Town Manager's Report

Week of: September 10th, 2018

### Special Town Meeting

The Concord Select Board has called a Special Town Meeting for October 1st, 2018 to be held at 7:00PM in the Concord Carlisle High School Auditorium.

A Public Hearing will be held Wednesday September 12th at 7PM in the Town House Hearing Room located at 22 Monument Square.



### Citizen Survey

The Official 2018 Town Government Survey will be mailed to every Concord household on Thursday, September 20th. It contains 43 questions and should take approximately 10 to 15 minutes to complete. The answers you supply provide direct insight into what you, and your family, want for Concord's future.

Questions range from "What local issue would you say is the highest priority for you?" to "How would you rate your satisfaction with the maintenance of Town roads?" The survey also asks residents about their opinion on how Concord should best prioritize efforts to achieve sustainability goals. Results from the survey will greatly assist the Town in analyzing and prioritizing programs and services provided to residents.

The Town would like to thank in advance all the residents who take the survey. For any questions or additional information, please contact Jon Harris, Budget and Purchasing Director, at 978-318-3039 or [jharris@concordma.gov](mailto:jharris@concordma.gov).

### Algae Bloom in White Pond

The Concord Health Division has issued a recreational water use advisory for White Pond due to a bloom of cyanobacteria (blue-green algae). The bloom appears as a floating green or blue-green scum or area of discolored water (see pictures below). Concentrated patches of the bloom may accumulate along the shoreline. At other times, the bloom may not be visible near the shoreline as it may shift around the pond due to wind and weather conditions.

Cyanobacteria blooms may produce toxins that can make pets and people sick.

The Concord Board of Health strongly advises IF YOU OBSERVE AN ALGAE BLOOM:

- Do not swim
- People and pets should avoid contact in areas of algae concentration- even on shore
- Do not allow your pet to swim in or drink the water.
- Rinse pets and children off immediately if they come into contact with an algae bloom.



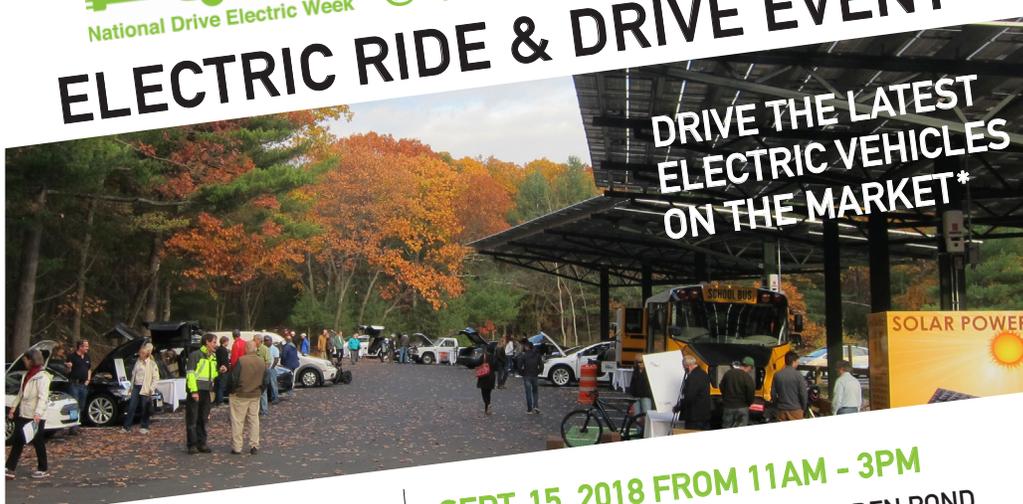
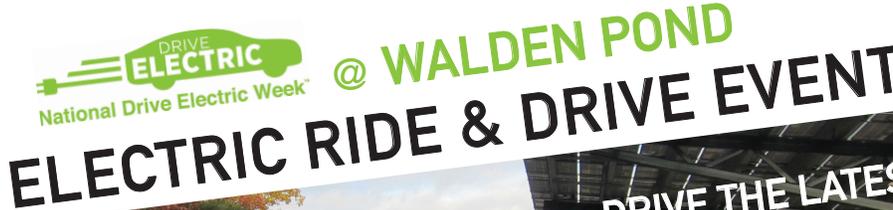
## Hazardous Waste Day

Concord Public Works is sponsoring a hazardous waste collection on Monday, September 24th, from 4:00PM – 7:00PM at 133 Keyes Rd. This collection will be open to residents, businesses, and municipal facilities. Curbside program subscribers can receive a free pass for up to one load of hazardous waste (25 lbs. or 25 gallons) by calling (978) 318-3240 or stopping by Concord Public Works at 133 Keyes Rd. during business hours. Non-curbside subscribers and businesses pay the vendor, Clean Harbors, directly (check only, payable to Clean Harbors).

This is a great opportunity to properly dispose of a variety of household hazardous waste including cleaning products, chemicals, pesticides, herbicides, solvents, bleach, flammable liquids, lighter fluids, anti-freeze, and other hazardous products. For a complete list of acceptable products, visit [www.concordma.gov](http://www.concordma.gov) or contact Concord Public Works at (978) 318-3240.

## Conservation Coffee

This year's series of Conservation Coffees will recommence Tuesday, September 11th at 7:30 a.m. These are roundtable discussion on all manner of conservation-related topics. They are typically held the first Tuesday's of each month from September through May and all are welcome to attend.



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UNDER THE SOLAR CANOPY @ WALDEN POND  
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**CURIOUS WHAT IT'S LIKE TO OWN AND DRIVE A PLUG-IN ELECTRIC CAR (PEV)?** Take electric vehicles for a test drive and meet local electric vehicle owners during this free event. The event is held Saturday, Sept. 15th rain or shine at Walden Pond and includes test drives, informational booths, and lunch for purchase. This educational event offers licensed drivers the chance to test out a variety of electric vehicles from BMW, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Ford, Honda, Nissan, Tesla, Toyota and more. **Grab a bite from the food truck, ride an electric bicycle, check-out Concord's own electric school bus, and learn how to integrate sustainability into your life.** Bring your driver's license and your curiosity, and leave with the knowledge and experience to see how an electric car can work for you. **ARE YOU ONE OF THE 150+ ELECTRIC VEHICLE DRIVERS IN CONCORD?** Show your car, share your experience with your neighbors and learn what Concord Light is now offering EV drivers. Please RSVP online. The event is a partnership between the Concord Sustainability Divisions, Concord Municipal Light Plant, Town of Concord and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' MASS DRIVE CLEAN initiative and REACH Strategies.

**If you're not able to make it, other National Drive Electric Week events are happening between Sept. 8-16th. Reading Light has organized a ride and drive event on Sept. 16th from 10am - 2pm at 230 Ash Street, Reading, MA.**

**\*DRIVER'S LICENSE REQUIRED**

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