



2017 Site Specific Milfoil Report: Bennett Cove

We removed 97 gallons of milfoil from Bennett Cove in 2017. Bennett Cove is one of the most beautiful dive locations of Squam. The healthy biodiversity of native plants that makes Bennett Cove so beautiful can make removal efforts challenging. We tackle this challenge by using diligent surveying techniques, coordinating and training Weed Watchers in the area, and frequently visiting the site. In 2017, we divided our time between surveying in Bennett Brook and pulling from the mouth of the brook. We removed a number of small isolated plants that were located upstream. However, much of the milfoil we removed was from the cove itself. Residents of Bennett Cove played a crucial role in our removal efforts. We trained Bennett Cove residents to be Weed Watchers, and they were able to regularly check the cove for milfoil and report any suspicious plants. Looking into 2018, we will continue to keep a careful eye on both Bennett Brook and where it empties into Bennett Cove.

Year	Milfoil Removed
2012	200
2013	150
2014	35.5
2015	20
2016	56
2017	97

