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Vancouver Lake is a multi-billion dollar asset to the state. It's surrounding bio-diversity, local economy, and connection to the neighborhoods and industries of Vancouver make it an essential priority to save. If neglected, it will be an expensive environmental disaster threatening wildlife and the community. Currently, families still take their kids to play in the water, unaware of public bans when the blue/green algae hits toxic proportions, or e.coli levels swell. Animals like dogs swimming in the water are also at risk. If the milfoil infestation is not cleaned up, the lake will be completely choked by the weed, creating a breeding ground for mosquitoes that will be a plague to surrounding neighborhoods. Let's invest in Vancouver Lake's future. Nature will not allow us to get away with ignoring it.