



# Vernal Pool Training

**Sunday, May 20, 2018**

**10:00 am – 3:30 pm**

**Melrose Township Hall**

**4289 M-75 N, Walloon Lake, MI**



**Learn more about vernal pools and how you can help monitor and protect these important wetlands!**

**WHY:** Vernal pools are small, isolated, temporary wetlands important for maintaining healthy forest ecosystems. Because these wetlands dry up and are fishless, they provide critical breeding habitats for amphibians and invertebrates. Because of their small size and temporary nature, vernal pools are vulnerable. Conservation of vernal pools requires increased awareness and protection.

**WHAT:** We will provide information on vernal pool ecology in the classroom, and then we will visit a vernal pool in the field and practice standard methods for monitoring a vernal pool in your area.

**BRING:** Dress for walking in the woods. Bring rubber boots or waders or old tennis shoes. Bring your own lunch. Beverages provided.

Workshop is free. A vernal pool monitoring kit will be provided if you are interested in monitoring a vernal pool.

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