



**Dear Paul,**

With Thanksgiving approaching, I'm reflecting on all that I'm grateful for. You and all of our supporters are at the top of the list! Together, we all recognize the importance of our lakes for our quality of life. Now more than ever, it's important that we care for our beloved lakes. Keep reading this edition of Shorelines for simple lake-friendly living tips and meaningful ways to care for our lakes.



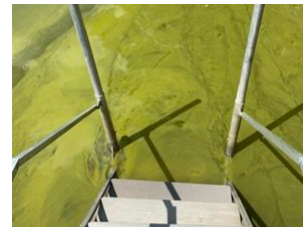
Working together for the lakes we all love,

**Erin Mastine, Outreach Manager**

## LAKE PROTECTION TIPS & MORE

### **Matching Funds Will Double Your Donation Today**

New Hampshire's lakes are in trouble. Cyanobacteria blooms are more frequent. Starting earlier. Staying longer. Today, you can be a hero for our lakes. [Give now, and your donation will be DOUBLED by matching funds until we reach \\$100,000 or December 15.](#)



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### **Introducing Businesses for the Lakes!**

When New Hampshire's lakes thrive, so do our businesses. Clean, healthy lakes draw visitors, attract talent, sustain property values, and support countless local jobs—from tourism to technology. If you own or are part of a business, be part of this growing movement. [Join Businesses for the Lakes by December 15 and help ensure New Hampshire's lakes—and economy—stay strong for generations to come.](#)

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## Join the Lake Advocates Network and Give Your Lake a Voice

Did you know that lake associations across New Hampshire have been meeting with NH LAKES and key legislators this fall to prepare for the upcoming 2026 New Hampshire Legislative Session? NOW is the time to get engaged and make your community's voice count. Reach out to your lake association and find out if they are part of the Lakes Advocate Network! If not, be sure your group nominates a representative to serve as your community's advocate. [Learn how to nominate a representative for your group here.](#)

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## Tips for Lake-Friendly Snow Storage and Removal

Did you know that improper snow storage and removal practices can damage lake quality? Plan your snow storage to protect your property, septic system, and lake. Snow from parking areas and roadways carries salt, sand, debris, and contaminants from cars. Choosing a safe location to store your snow is an important part of protecting rivers and drinking water, too! Read, "[Tips for Lake-Friendly Snow Storage and Removal,](#)" to learn more.



## How to protect your dock and the lake—and stay out of trouble!

Do you use a bubbler, aerator, or similar device to protect your dock during the winter? Are you using it in a lawful and lake-friendly way?! Read, "[Dock De-Icers,](#)" to find out how to [protect your dock and the lake, and follow the law this winter.](#)



## The Holidays are Right Around the Corner

What better addition to your table for holiday gatherings than NH LAKES wine glasses?! [Get yours today.](#) They make great host gifts, too!



NEWS FOR YOU

## As Fresh Water Gets Saltier, New Hampshire Looks for New Ways to Address the Cause

Every year, more road salt seeps off roads into New Hampshire's waterways, posing a mounting threat to drinking water and wildlife. While the state has voluntary programs in place to try to keep salt at bay, levels continue to rise—and [experts said it may take more to solve the problem, whether that means stricter regulations or a cultural adjustment of the public's winter salt expectations.](#)



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## Decades of Data: Celebrating 50 Years of the Lake Trophic Survey Program

50 years of monitoring has given us something invaluable: context. When someone calls to report their lake looking greener than usual, or fewer trout at their favorite fishing spot, we now have five decades of data to determine whether it's a troubling trend or natural variation. That's the real value of 50 years of consistent monitoring—not just collecting data but being able to [answer the questions that matter to the people who love these lakes.](#)



## EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

### Regional Lakes Meeting: Salt Management Plan - November 18

This meeting is for members of regional lake and pond associations in the Lake Sunapee Region and beyond, and anyone else who is interested in the topic of road salt. Members of LSPA's Watershed Committee recently drafted a salt management plan and will share their process and goals. They will also discuss road salt impacts to waterbodies in our region and best practices for reducing these negative effects. [Learn more and register.](#)



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### Loon Preservation Committee 50th Anniversary Holiday Open House - November 29

Join the LPC for a day of good cheer as they ring in the holiday season and celebrate their 50th anniversary! There will be fun for the whole family, including balloon animals, kids crafts, horse-drawn wagon rides, and a visit from Santa.



This event is offered free of charge and is open to all members of the public. [Learn more.](#)

## ARE YOU SUPPORTING YOUR LAKE ASSOCIATION?

Lakes can't take care of themselves. For over 30 years, New Hampshire's lakes have benefited from a vibrant partnership between NH LAKES and people like you, working together to restore and preserve the lakes we all love.



It works! You can do your part to preserve and restore your favorite lake by contributing to both NH LAKES and your favorite lake association. To learn more about how NH LAKES partners with lake associations and for a list of our partner associations, [click here.](#)

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The lakes we all love can't take care of themselves. They need you to do your part. You can invest in restoring and preserving the health of our lakes by making a charitable donation today.

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