



Lakes Congress 2026 Agenda

Friday, June 5

Grappone Conference Center, Concord, NH

8:00–9:00 a.m.	Registration: check-in, visit exhibitors, enter raffles, network, enjoy refreshments (Pre-function Area)			
9:00–9:15 a.m.	Welcoming Remarks (<i>Granite Ballroom</i>)			
9:15–9:45 a.m.	Keynote (<i>Granite Ballroom</i>) “Why Should Anyone Care About Your Lake? Using Engagement Mindsets to Turn Apathy into Action” Presented by: Kivi Leroux Miller, Founder and CSO of Nonprofit Marketing Guide			
9:45–10:00 a.m.	Break (Pre-function Area)			
	Track A: Your Voice, Your Lakes: Shaping Local and State Policy	Track B: Lake Science in Action: Protecting Water, Wildlife, and Shorelines	Track C: Take Action: Community Solutions for Cleaner, Healthier Lakes	Track D: Lake Association Toolbox: Funding, Marketing, and Legal Basics
10:00–11:00 a.m. Session 1	Lakes in the Legislature: 2026 Policy Update and How You Can Make a Difference	Cyanobacteria and Algal Identification Workshop: Seeing What’s in the Water	Management of Aquatic Invasive Species in New Hampshire’s Lakes	Tell Better Stories: How to Write Three Types of Stories Your Community Will Respond To
11:00–11:15 a.m.	Break			
11:15–12:15 p.m. Session 2	Lake-Friendly Land Use: Municipal Ordinances and Overlays That Protect Water Quality	Aquatic Plant Identification Workshop: Natives vs. Invasives	From Shoreline to Solution: Interactive Lake-Friendly Fixes You Can Do Yourself	How Social Media Really Works Now and How to Avoid Wasting Your Time with It
12:15–1:30 p.m.	Lunch - (<i>Granite Ballroom</i>), Visit Exhibitors (<i>Pre-function Area</i>)			
1:30–2:30 p.m. Session 3	Stronger Together: Collaborative Approaches to Successful Municipal Code Enforcement	Climate Change and Our Lakes: What It Means for New Hampshire	LakeSmart in Action: New Tools and a Community-Based Approach	Becoming a 501(c)(3): A Practical Guide for Lake Associations
2:30–2:45 p.m.	Break			
2:45–3:45 p.m. Session 4	Run for Office: Help Shape Local and State Lake Policy	Managing Healthy Shoreland Vegetation: Forest Health, Regulations, and Best Practices	Smart Salt Solutions: Municipal Salt Management Planning for Lake Protection	Finding Funding: Grant Programs to Support Lake and Water Quality Projects
3:45–4:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks/Raffle Winners Announced—must be present to win! (<i>Granite Ballroom</i>)			

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