

The State of Lake Health & Advocacy in New Hampshire

Hosted by NH LAKES

Wednesday, October 5, 2022, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Zoom Chat Box Discussion

- 00:14:10 Andrea LaMoreaux: Welcome to NH LAKES Board Member, Bob Shaw!
- 00:14:28 Andrea LaMoreaux: Hi Debbie Steadman!
- 00:18:41 Laura Dunham: 200
- 00:18:53 Debra Marnich: 300
- 00:18:54 Cindy Chandler: 1000
- 00:18:55 Ann M. Lukasik: 351
- 00:20:40 Gabrielle Brodek: Absolutely! Our hound loves to swim.
- 00:20:51 Debra Marnich: yes rescue love!
- 00:22:20 Therese Thompson: There are native Milfoils too
- 00:30:07 Therese Thompson: here is the difference between native and invasive milfoils
<https://www.thelandbetween.ca/2020/11/understanding-urasian-watermilfoil-what-is-it-how-did-it-get-here-what-are-its-impacts-and-what-can-we-do-to-prevent-its-spread/>
- 00:31:05 Andrea LaMoreaux: Yes, there are native milfoils, too! But sometimes it's really hard to tell if a milfoil is native or invasive. If in doubt, please share your milfoil-like findings with our partners at the New Hampshire Dept. of Environmental Services.
- 00:38:35 Marcia Garber/she,her: Will they care when the Lakes are destroyed ??
- 00:42:35 Andrea LaMoreaux: We're not giving up on common sense solutions!
- 00:45:39 Laura Dunham: Do you have an election guide for what legislators support our lakes and environment?
- 00:47:27 Marcia Garber/she,her: What committees deal w/ lake health in legislature??
- 00:48:10 Laura Dunham: Where can we see how local reps voted on the bills you spoke about?
- 00:49:04 Andrea LaMoreaux: Marcia and Laura, terrific questions for Michelle!
- 00:49:32 Andrea LaMoreaux: <https://nhlakes.org/vote/>
- 00:50:11 Marcia Garber/she,her: Is remediation of cyanobacteria in lakes info on Lakes website??

00:52:24 Martha Rich: Glad to see the voter information campaign! Would NH LAKES consider doing an analysis of candidates' voting records--at least the ones who've served so far—with a "lake-friendly" rating system? Might take a while to develop, but could be valuable.

00:52:32 Andrea LaMoreaux: Hi Marcia, if you are referring to the management of a cyanobacteria bloom once it is happening, generally speaking, it is left to run its course.

00:55:17 Martha Rich: Yes, I understand that 501c3 constraint and the complexity of the 425-member legislature. Perhaps the partnership with Citizens Count is the most productive way to go, given the structural lack of transparency. Thanks for explaining.

00:56:54 Laura Dunham: Thank you for your thorough explanation. There should be more transparency with votes so voters can make informed decisions.

00:58:47 Marcia Garber/she,her: THANK YOU ALL !!!

00:59:37 Laura Dunham: Thank you so much for your wisdom and advocacy 😊

01:00:20 Bree Rossiter: Here's a helpful interview with Dave Neils, chief aquatic biologist at NHDES about alum treatment at the one lake Andrea mentioned.

<https://granitegeek.concordmonitor.com/2021/06/01/treatment-that-curtails-bacteria-blooms-in-lakes-is-not-repeat-not-a-magic-bullet/>

01:00:21 Debra Marnich: Is there specific testing that is available for cyanobacteria blooms before they are in full effect?

01:01:30 Cindy Chandler: Thank you!

01:02:31 Susan Fine: Is there support for a salt-reduction bill?

01:04:30 Debra Marnich: Thank you!

01:05:16 Gloria Norcross, NH LAKES: <https://www.des.nh.gov/land/roads/road-salt-reduction/green-snowpro-certification>

01:06:00 Susan Fine: I'm thinking about all the salt put down on state roads

01:06:50 Andrea LaMoreaux: If you want to start monitoring cyanobacteria in your community, check out <https://cyanos.org/bloomwatch/>

01:07:12 Susan Fine: Good to know about municipal program coming

01:08:09 Michelle Farnham, NH LAKES: pledge.nhlakes.org

01:10:00 Andrea LaMoreaux:
<https://www.nh.gov/dot/org/operations/highwaymaintenance/documents/wmsrip.pdf>

01:10:39 Andrea LaMoreaux: See page 10 of the document above about reduced salt area

01:11:06 Martha Rich: That's a helpful reminder, that our legislators are essentially volunteers, not professionals. Good seminar! Thanks for all of it.

01:11:21 Marcia Garber/she,her: 🙌❤️

01:12:05 Susan Fine: Thanks for doing this

01:12:17 Laura Dunham: Thanks to all of you!!!!!!

01:12:19 Debra Marnich: Very informative thank you all!

01:12:19 Bree Rossiter: Thank you NH Lakes!

01:12:24 Ann M. Lukasik: thank you