

Ossipee Watershed BMP Strategic Plan Survey

Thank you for filling out this survey to assist GMCG and its partners in prioritizing water protection work in the Ossipee Watershed.

The purpose of this Best Management Practice (BMP) strategic plan is to address the recommendations of the Water Quality Report and Natural Resource Guide, which include watershed-wide adoption and implementation of BMPs. The strategic plan is meant to: provide residents of the watershed with tools to maintain water quality by preventing water contamination; provide a systematic process to prioritize and implement water quality improvements throughout the watershed; and proactively address any concerns or potential water quality issues.

1. The draft BMP Strategic Plan identifies four types of nonpoint source pollution considered the greatest threats to water quality in the Ossipee Watershed based on water quality research, potential threats, and professional & community feedback. They are: road salt; sediment/nutrients; septic systems; and hazardous chemical use & storage.

Which of these threats do you feel is most important to address in the next two to three years?

2. Please prioritize the order in which these issues should be addressed (1-4):

Road Salt
 Sediments/nutrients
 Septic Systems
 Hazardous Chemical Use & Storage

3. Are there other water quality threats or issues you feel should be addressed by the BMP Strategic Plan or by GMCG in the future?
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4. Please select what you feel are the top three priorities for the Ossipee Watershed:

Strengthen site plan review and subdivision regulations to include BMPs.
 Protect shoreland habitats & include riparian buffer BMPs in town zoning.
 Provide education and outreach about BMPs to residents and businesses.
 Perform BMP audits and provide education to PCSs.
 Ensure BMPs for road salting and salt storage.
 Ensure BMPs for commercial and industrial uses.
 Promote low impact development techniques.
 Promote solutions for regional water quality issues.
 Assist towns, businesses & residents with BMP structural and non-structural work to mitigate and prevent water quality issues.