



## Groups Launch Conservation Plan for Lakes Region

*Focused on Protecting Key Lands to Preserve Water Quality*

This fall the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests and regional land conservation groups are holding a series of public information sessions on a new land protection blueprint for the Lakes Region of New Hampshire. Developed by state and local conservation experts, the new plan aims to protect water quality in the region by prioritizing the most critical forests and shorefront lands to conserve over the next decade. The Lakes Region comprises about 20% of New Hampshire's land area but contains roughly 50% of the state's surface water. It is also the state's fastest-growing region in terms of population and land development. The plan was developed by the Forest Society and its partners strictly as a guide for voluntary conservation by landowners interested in protecting their land.

Members of the public interested in learning more about the Lakes Region land conservation plan are encouraged to attend one or more of the evening information sessions listed below.

Landowners who are interested in learning more about their conservation options and how their lands may fit into the new plan are especially encouraged to attend. **All meetings will be held from 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

### **Thursday Sept. 20 - Lake Winnepesaukee South**

Gilford Town Hall, 47 Cherry Valley Road, Gilford  
Co-sponsored by the Lakes Region Conservation Trust

### **Monday Sept. 24 - Lake Winnepesaukee North**

Moultonborough Library, 4 Holland Street, Moultonborough  
Co-sponsored by the Lakes Region Conservation Trust and the Squam Lake Conservation Society

### **Thursday October 4<sup>th</sup> - Newfound Lake**

Alexandria Old Town Hall, 47 Washburn Road, Alexandria  
Co-sponsored by the Newfound Lake Region Association

**Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup> - Squam Lake**

Squam Lakes Association Resource Room, 534 U.S. 3, Holderness

Co-sponsored by the Squam Lakes Conservation Society, Squam Lakes Association, and the Lakes Region Conservation Trust

**Thursday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> - Green Mountain and Ossipee Lake Area**

Ossipee Public Library, 74 Main Street Center Ossipee

Co-sponsored by the Green Mountain Conservation Group and Lakes Region Conservation Trust

**Thursday Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> - Moose Mountains Area**

Moose Mountain Recreation Lodge, 107 Moose Mountain Road, Brookfield

Co-sponsored by Moose Mountains Regional Greenways

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