Watershed Management It's a journey!









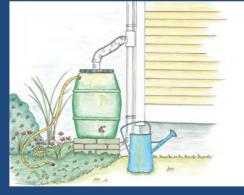


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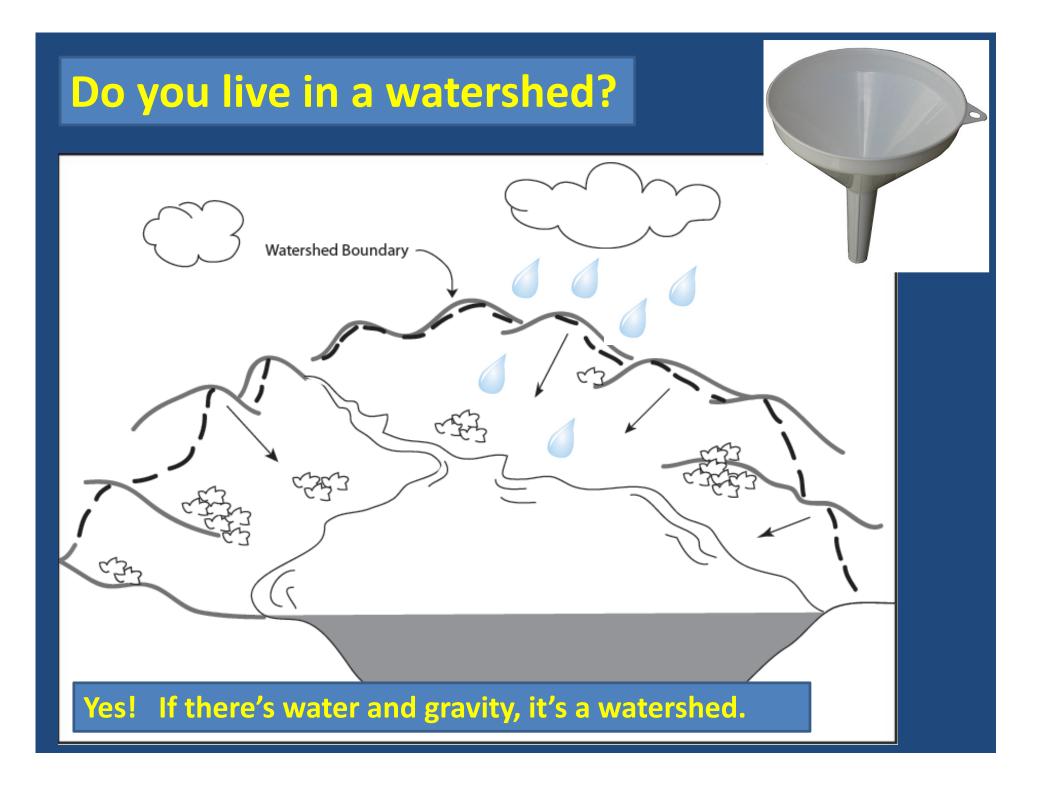


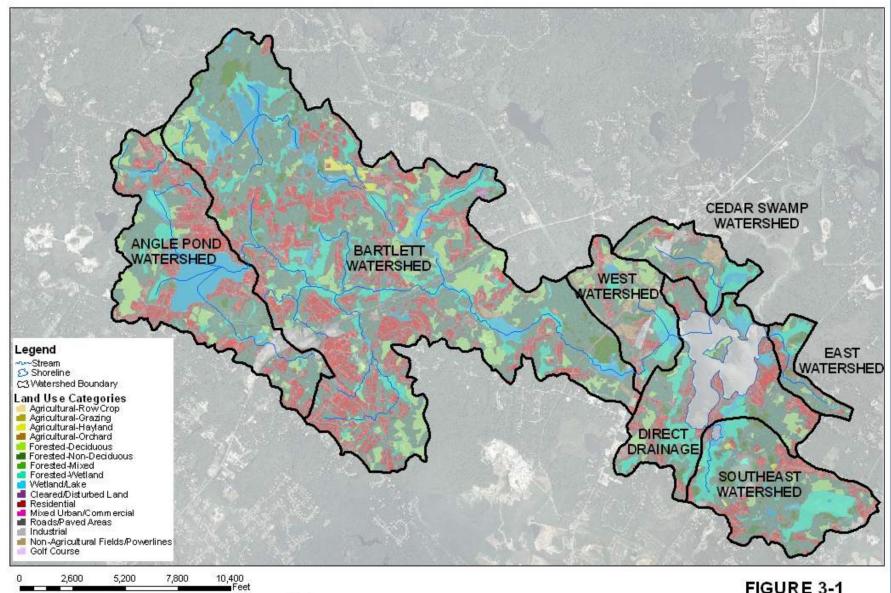
Beaver Lake Watershed Management Plan

Prepared for the Beaver Lake Watershed Partnership by naturesource communications in partnership with Gomez and Sullivan Englineers, PC August 2007 PARTNERSI









Notes:

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1) Aerial photo base map from 2003 National Agricultural Imagery Program (NAIP); obtained from NHGRANIT.

2) Land use polygons were compiled by ENSR from Land Use polygon data, Land Cover raster data, and National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) data obtained from NHGRANIT, and from windshield survey information. FIGURE 3-1 Land Use Country Pond Kingston, NH

Nonpoint Source Pollution (NPS)

- Diffuse sources
- Rainfall or snowmelt moving over and through the ground transports pollutants
- Runoff carries natural and human-made pollutants, deposits them into ponds, lakes, rivers, wetlands, coastal waters







NPS sources and pollutants

Pollutants

Source	Pollutants
Agricultural runoff	Nutrients, sediment, bacteria
Animal waste – pets, waterfowl, livestock	Bacteria, nutrients
Atmospheric deposition	Nutrients
Erosion	Phosphorus and sediment
Hydromodification – dams, culverts, channelization	Flooding, low DO, poor habitat
Fertilizers	Nutrients
Impervious cover (IC) – roads, parking lots, roofs, driveways	Everything: bacteria, fertilizer, oil, gas, sand, salt, nutrients, hot water, high flows
Septic systems	Bacteria and nutrients
Stormwater runoff – from IC, gravel roads, lawns	Everything!

Why should you care about NPS?

NPS pollution can have serious impacts on economics, quality of life, and public health and safety







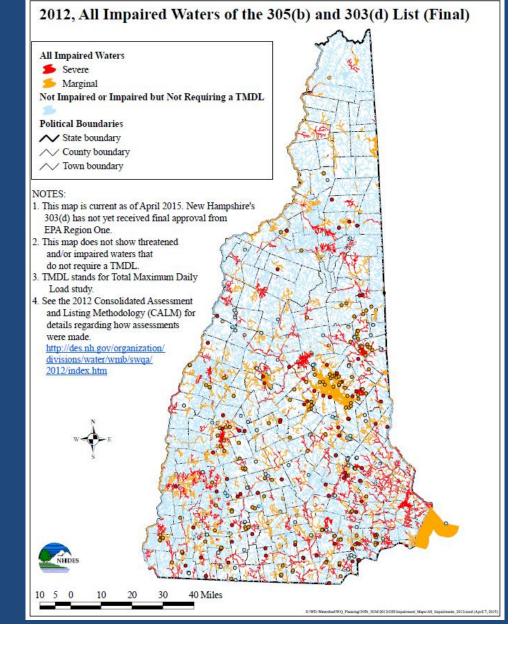
The **BIG** Picture

- Water quality has improved Clean Water Act (fishable, swimmable)
- Challenges remain Nonpoint Source Pollution
- Nearly 40 percent of assessed waters in the country remain too polluted for fishing, swimming, and other uses



The New Hampshire Picture

Nonpoint source pollution contributes to over 90% of the water pollution problems in NH



The Country Pond Picture

- Country Pond is impaired for Primary Contact Recreation due to the presence of cyanobacteria
- A TMDL (phosphorus "budget") was completed in 2011 to provide guidance for reducing the frequency of cyano blooms (AECOM, 2011)

Too much phosphorus (P) grows algae

Added nitrogen and carbon

Added nitrogen, carbon <u>and</u> <u>phosphorus</u>

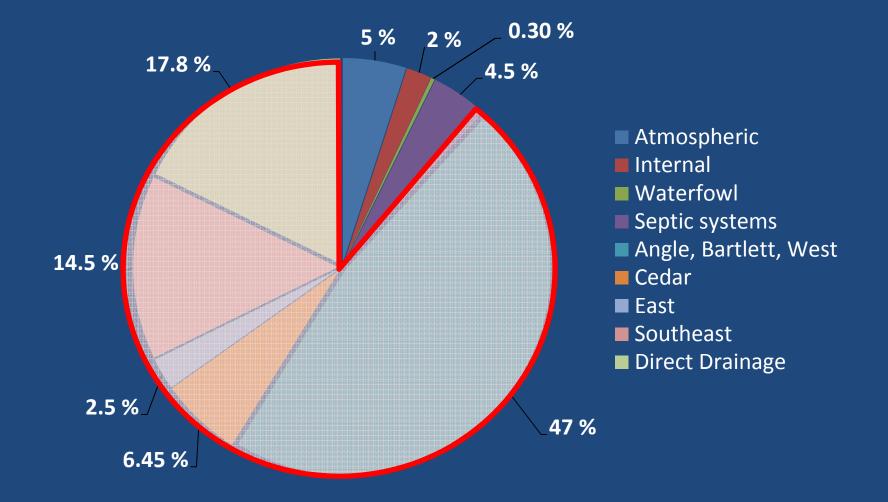
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Eutrophication eu·troph·i·ca·tion [yoo träfə kāSH(ə)n] NOUN

Excessive richness of nutrients in a lake, frequently due to runoff from the land, which causes dense growth of plant life and death of animal life from lack of oxygen.



Where is the P coming from?!! Country Pond P loads (TMDL) Total load = 1348 lbs/yr



How much P do we need to reduce to have fewer cyanobacteria blooms?

Country Pond TMDL Goal Reduce In-lake P Concentration

Current in-lake P concentration (TMDL) 22 ug/L Watershed Load = 1,348 lbs/yr

<u>46% P reduction</u> Watershed load reduction = 611 lbs/yr

Target in-lake concentration P (TMDL) 12 ug/L Watershed Load = 729 lbs/yr

What can we do about the P ?!

• **Develop** a watershed plan

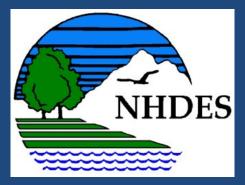


 Implement your watershed plan – action!



Nine Element Plans





Attachment A: EPA Watershed Plan Elements "a" through "i"

- a) <u>Identify pollution causes and sources</u>: An identification of the causes and sources or groups of similar sources that will need to be controlled to achieve the load reductions estimated in this watershed-based plan (and to achieve any other watershed goals identified in the watershed-based plan), as discussed in item (b) immediately below. Sources that need to be controlled should be identified at the significant subcategory level with estimates of the extent to which they are present in the watershed (e.g., X number of storm drains that need retrofits; Y miles of gravel roads that need drainage BMPs; or Z linear miles of eroded streambank needing remediation).
- b) <u>Estimate pollution reductions needed</u>: An estimate of the load reductions expected for the management measures described under (c). Estimates should be provided at the same level as in item (a) above (e.g., the total load reduction expected for storm drain retrofits, gravel road BMPs or eroded streambanks). First quantify the pollutant loads for the watershed. Based on these pollutant loads, determine the reductions needed to meet water quality standards (or other goals).
- c) <u>Actions needed to reduce pollution</u>: A description of the NPS management measures that will need to be implemented to achieve the load reduction or habitat restoration scope estimated under paragraph (b) above (as well as to achieve other watershed goals identified in this watershedbased plan), and an identification (using a map or a description) of the critical areas in which those measures will be needed to implement this plan.
- d) <u>Costs and authority</u>: An estimate of the amounts of technical and financial assistance needed, associated costs, and/or the sources and authorities that will be relied upon, to implement this plan. Describe the types and sources of match that will be used to implement the project, keeping in mind that at least 40% of the project cost must be provided in non-federal match.
- e) <u>Outreach and education</u>: An information/education component that will be used to enhance public understanding of the project and encourage their early and continued participation in selecting, designing, and implementing NPS management measures.
- f) <u>Schedule</u>: A schedule for implementing the NPS management measures identified in this plan that is reasonably expeditious.
- g) <u>Milestones</u>: A description of interim, measurable milestones for determining whether NPS management measures or other control actions are being implemented.
- h) <u>Success indicators and evaluation</u>: A set of criteria that can be used to determine whether loading reductions or habitat restoration is being achieved over time and substantial progress is being made towards attaining water quality standards and, if not, the criteria for determining whether this watershed-based plan needs to be revised.
- i) <u>Monitoring plan</u>: A monitoring component to evaluate the effectiveness of the implementation efforts over time, measured against the criteria established under item (h) immediately above.

Why develop an a – i watershed plan?

- Proactive and informed
- Locally driven
- Integrated and comprehensive
- Flexible and responsive
- A i implementation projects are eligible for grant **FUNDING**



A watershed plan helps you make informed choices to maximize resources and achieve your water quality goals.

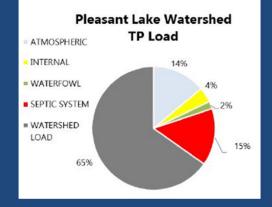
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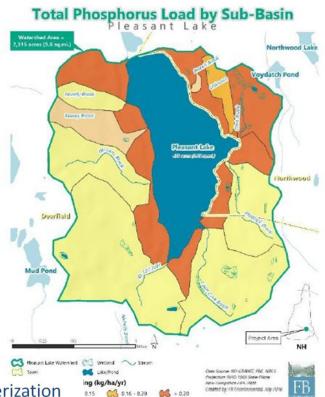
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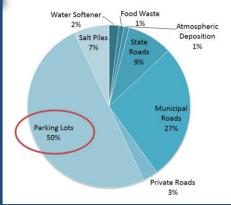
and local knowledge.







Source Characterization



Element "b"

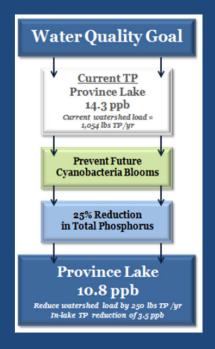
 Estimate <u>pollutant</u> <u>reductions</u> needed to meet water quality goals

Review WQ data,

quantify pollutant loads,

set your water quality goals,

model results and determine reductions.





Element "c"

Identify and prioritize <u>actions needed to reduce pollutants</u>

 Structural and non-structural best management practices (BMPs)

Lake Wentworth and Crescent Lake Watershed Management Plan

Appendix E: List of BMP Sites

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Appendix E.2 - Top 6 BMP Locations

Element "d"

<u>Implementation capacity</u>: estimate costs, identify funding sources, and partners

SITE 13: 35 Cobbett's Pond Road

Site Summary:

Two catch basins in Cobbett's Pond Road drain to a rock-lined flume that has become filled with sediment. The catch basins discharge via a culvert that is perched approximately two feet above the rock-lined flume.

Proposed Improvement:

- Retrofit the outlet pipe to discharge at grade to a stone infiltration strip with a level spreader oriented parallel to the retaining wall (approximately 4-foot wide by 20-foot long).
- Immediately downgradient of the infiltration strip and level spreader, construct a 4-foot wide by 20-foot long raingarden planted with native shrubs on 3-foot centers. The size of the raingarden could be larger, pending discussions with the property owner.

Estimated Cost: \$1,700 - \$2,100

Estimated Pollutant Load Reduction:

0.19 - 0.23 lbs P/yr



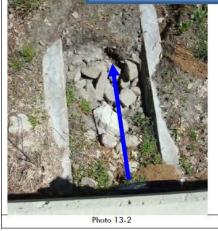
Cobbett's Pond Watershed Restoration Plan

FINAL DRAFT: July 6, 2010

Conceptual plans - estimated costs

Sources of funding and support – Municipal, State, NGO, etc.

Authority–landowners, permitting agencies, etc.



Element "e"

 <u>Outreach and Education:</u> public information and participation





Raise awareness about what you're doing and...

receive feedback to understand local needs, desires, and concerns.

Element "f"

• <u>Schedule</u> for implementing measures identified in your plan.

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1. Public education activities will be developed in consultation with the McQuesten Brook stakeholders committee.

2. For budgeting purposes, costs included under the "Design and Construct BMPs" recommendation are conceptual level and include design, permitting and construction for the highest cost alternative presented in Table 4-6 (with the exception of Sub-11, which uses the second highest priced alternative).

3. The cost to replace the undersized culver at I-293 assumes replacement with a 17' span x 6' rise x 210' long precast concrete box culvert with bed retention sills and stream simulation. The 17' span would meet the NH Stream Crossing Guidelines minimum span for the stream type. Costs include engineering, permitting and construction. A 12' span x 6' rise x 210' long precast concrete box culvert with bed retention to match bankfull channel width is estimated to cost \$\$03,000.

4. The cost to replace the culverts at Wathen and Eastman Avenue include survey and engineering, permitting, construction and construction services. The Town of Bedford has included replacement of these culverts in its South River Road TIF project.

5. The streambank restoration work in segment M02A and M01B should be combined with other projects or performed by volunteers to reduce costs

Element "g"

 Identify <u>milestones</u> to determine whether NPS management measures are being implemented.

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Element "h"

<u>Success indicators</u> – a set of criteria to determine whether you are making progress, or if the plan needs to be revised.

- **Quantifiable**: pollutant load reductions or measured inlake concentration
- Response: fewer algal blooms or improved water clarity
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- **Progress:** are we on schedule?

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EXAMPLE: Jones Road	Stabilize 500 feet of road drainage ditch	Region 5 / CEE	June 30, 2010	12.7	1.4	N/A
BR008: 714 Brackett Road	Stabilize road ditch & swale; construct step pool	Simple Method	November 2012	1.14	13.85	N/A
BRIDE 728 & 742 Brackett Road	Stabilize road ditch & swale; construct step pool	Simple Method	September 2012	1.28	15.46	N/A
BR010: 772 Brackett Road	Stabilize road ditch, re-crown road	Simple Method	October 2012	0.001	3.2	N/A
BRD11012 1025 Bracket Road	Re-crown road; install swale	Simple Method	September 2012	2.06	25.04	N/A
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Element "i"

- <u>Monitoring</u> to evaluate effectiveness of management actions over time
- For Country Pond your monitoring = VLAP





What does IMPLEMENTATION look like?

Residential and municipal stormwater



Seak LANDSCAPING Rain FOR WATER QUALITY



Outreach



Regulations....

Fertilizer ordinance protects waterways

Revised 12/12/015 Revised 12/15/2015 Revised 12/15/2015
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RE: ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM PUMP-OUT AND INSPECTION PARSONS CREEK WATERSHED
Authority.
his regulation is adopted by the Town of Rye Health Officer pursuant to RSA 147:10 and RS, 17:1. It has been approved by the Rye Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 147:1.
Intent/Purposes-
scteria sampling indicates that high concentrations of bacteria exist at multiple locations with trions Creek. Parons Creek flows to the coastal baschesis in Rye, representing a health and firty risk to the recreational waters of both the creek itself and Rye's beaches.
is ordinance is necessary to help protect public health and the surface water quality of Parson wek and its receiving waters by requiring timely pumping and maintenance of septic tanks. to purpose of this regulation are:
1. To establish a management program for septic tanks in the Parsons Creek Watershed to promote proper operation of Oneite Watersheat Transmitter Transmitter Street Stree

Septic systems



Culvert replacements



Gravel road fixes

RESULTS!

An a – i example from Province Lake





- Watershed plan completed 2014
- Two implementation grants
- 9 projects built
- Load reductions =

Phosphorus	Sediment
lbs/yr	tons/yr
100	105



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Section 319 NONPOINT SOURCE PROGRAM SUCCESS STORY

Stakeholders Cooperate to Reduce Sediment Loading and Restore Recreational Uses in Cains Pond

Waterbody Improved

Sediment from stormwater runoff accumulated in Cains Pond, an old mill pond, and reduced its depth

Problem

Cains Pond, a three-acre impoundment on Cains Brook in the New Hampshire coastal town of Seabrook, was historically created for mill operation, ice harvesting, fire suppression and recreation. The pond is bounded by a residential area to the est and a major highway (U.S. Route 1) and urbaned commercial area to the east.

watershed experienced a commercial developt boom around the year 2000. Construction ties are thought to have contributed much of diment that accumulated in the pond during me. Increased development also resulted ater number of impervious surfaces. All stormwater infrastructure transported distormwater directly to the pond. Local used Cains Pond for fishing, boating, and recreational pursuits; however, those uses became increasingly restricted as the pond filled



Figure 1. Defere restaration offerts. Caine Dand was filled with





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