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The Rip Tide E-Info

The e-newsletter of the N.H. Coastal Program



Weeks of April 16 and 23

COASTAL NEWS

Discovery Center plans opening weekend May 5-6, Fosters Daily Democrat, April 28

Environmental group off-base in Great Bay suit, opinion, Seacoast Online, April 27

Public can help plant trees in Berry Brook watershed Sat. in Dover, Fosters Daily Democrat, April 27

New Cod Rules for Recreational Anglers Take Effect May 1, 2012, News from the N.H. Fish and Game Department

Information Calms a Crowded Sea, News from SeaPlan

Salmon Falls Watershed Collaborative Honored with U.S. Water Prize, N.H. Department of Environmental Services press release, April 25

To Farm or Not to Farm, The proposed UNH Campus Master Plan is raising alarms about the role of agricultural land; The Wire, April 24

Save Great Bay before it's too late, opinion, Seacoast Online, April 23

Conservation Group Seeks to Intervene in Great Bay Lawsuit, Boating Local, April 23

Local wastewater plants need to be upgraded, opinion, Seacoast Online, April 23

Kittery, state officials keep eye on nitrogen fight in N.H., Seacoast Online, April 22

Group Disputes Exeter's Lawsuit Against EPA, Exeter Patch, April 19

Collecting beach debris: Earth Day cleanup at Portsmouth's Peirce Island, Fosters Daily Democrat, April 17

Conservation Law Foundation Joins DES in Great Bay Lawsuit, New Hampshire Public Radio, April 16

Conservation Law Foundation joins the state in nitrogen lawsuit, Seacoast Online, April 17

Protecting whales? Thanks to UNH, there's an app for that, Fosters Daily Democrat, April 14

Trail dedication of historic property planned, Fosters Daily

Democrat, April 14

GRANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Piscataqua Region Land Protection Transaction Grants, Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership, proposals due June 1, 2012

2013 Local Source Water Protection Grants, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, proposals due November 1, 2012

RESOURCES

Clarification of State of New Hampshire Conditions and other New Hampshire specific information for the U.S. EPA 2012 NPDES Construction General Permit (CGP), N.H. Department of Environmental Services

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2; DES Annual Drinking Water Source Protection Workshop, hosted by N.H. Department of Environmental Services, Grappone Center, Concord, N.H.

May 2 and May 16, 7pm; Living on Great Bay series, hosted by Exeter Unitarian Universalist Church, Exeter, N.H.

May 5 and 6; Great Bay Discovery Center annual Art Show, hosted by the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve and the Great Bay Stewards, Great Bay Discovery Center, Stratham, N.H.

May 8; 6-9pm; N.H. Listens stakeholders meetings for the Water Sustainability Commission, various locations

May 15 and 16, Annual Nonpoint Source Pollution Conference, hosted by the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission with the N.H. Department of Environmental Services, Sheraton Hotel of Portsmouth, N.H. Draft agenda available.

June 8-9, The New England Chapter of the North American Lake Management Society annual meeting; topics include lake and watershed management, native and invasive aquatic species, climate change, algae and cyanobacteria, GIS mapping, stormwater management; will take place on University of New Hampshire Durham campus

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

2012 Volunteer Monitoring Equipment Loan Program for Environmental Protection Agency Region 1, open to organizations in New England for which volunteers conduct water monitoring

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