

December 6 Issue: November 15 - December 6

COASTAL NEWS CLIPS

Great Bay Clips

[EPA's Great Bay nitrogen levels upheld by board](#), Seacoast Online, December 6

Water and Stormwater Clips

[USA Springs property on the market for \\$2 million](#), New Hampshire Business Review, December 4

[N.H. offering road salt certification program](#), Associated Press, Seacoast Online, November 24

[City seeking approval to extend sewer main](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 19

Coastal Hazards and Climate Change Clips

[Role-Play Participants Imagine a Climate-Ready Dover](#), The Crow's Nest Blog, Coastal Adaptation Workgroup, December 5

[High 'king tide' likely to make splash Wednesday](#), Seacoast Online, December 3

[Bracing for change: Seacoast communities are beginning to talk about how to adapt to rising sea levels, more severe storms](#), The Wire, November 29

[More heat waves, flash floods coming to southern NH, says climate change report](#), The Nashua Telegraph, November 26

[Tides to Storms Project Will Help NH Seacoast Communities Prepare for Floods](#), The Crow's Nest Blog, Coastal Adaptation Workgroup, November 21

[Town leader cuts carbon footprint](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 21

Dam Clips

[Board delays major decision on Great Dam](#), Seacoast Online, December 6

[Exeter residents frustrated over indecision on Great Dam](#), Seacoast Online, December 3

[Newmarket council to welcome alternative dam studies](#), Seacoast Online, December 3

Fish and Wildlife Clips

[Fishermen frustrated over shrimpy shrimp season](#), The Union Leader, December 6

[Regulators scrap shrimp season in Gulf of Maine](#), Seacoast Online, December 3

[Moratorium Established for 2014 Northern Shrimp Fishing Season](#), NHFG press release, December 4

[Public Hearing December 19 on Shellfish Aquaculture Proposal](#), NHFG press release, December 4

[Green Crabs in Maine threatening economy, ecosystem; less so in N.H.](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, December 1

[Fewer right whales seen, counted in Gulf Maine](#), NewHampshire.com, November 30

[Man accused of stealing dead man's lobster traps](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 21

[Lobster Trap Thief Charged](#), NHFG press release, November 20

Energy Clips

[Portsmouth residents concerned about Schiller Station soot](#), The New Hampshire, December 6

[Important Workshop to Give Citizens Say on Location of Energy Projects](#), Heikki Perry's Blog, Portsmouth Patch, December 3

[Lockout averted at Seabrook nuclear plant](#), Seacoast Online, December 3

[Agreement ends threat of power plant lock out](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, December 2

[Newington propane plan sparking concern](#), Seacoast Online, November 19

[Bill to curb Seabrook nuke plant's tax break is killed](#), Seacoast Online, November 18

Port Clips

[Grimmel Industries key to bringing tall ships to city](#), opinion, Seacoast Online, December 5

[Port officials refute criticism of scrap metal](#), Seacoast Online, December 1

Municipal Clips

[Portsmouth Avenue sewer project halted](#), Seacoast Online, December 6

[Durham calls UNH pool decision premature](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, December 6

[Selectmen Deem Washdown Bay Still Not Economically Feasible](#), Hampton-North Hampton Patch, December 5

[Council removes \\$270g for UNH pool: Would have cost town nearly \\$3m over next 10 years](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 19

[Should commercial trash pick-up continue?](#), opinion, Seacoast Online, November 19

[Bulldozers Descend on Old Fire Station Monday](#), Hampton-North Hampton Patch, November 18

Other Clips

[Crews work to remove sunken barge](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 18

COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[Comment Request for Changes between the 'Draft' and 'Final' 2012 303\(d\) List](#); Surface Water Quality Assessment Program, NH Department of Environmental Services; Please contact Ken Edwardson with any questions at: Kenneth.Edwardson@des.nh.gov or 271-8864. **Comments are due December 20**

[General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Industrial Activities](#) - EPA is seeking comments on the updated draft permit to regulate stormwater discharges from industrial activities to replace the current 2008 Multi-Sector General Permit (MSGP) when it expires later this year. The proposed permit will help protect U.S. waterways from industrial sector pollutants, which can contribute to aquatic ecosystem degradation, increase drinking water treatment costs, and impair the recreational use and aesthetic value of waterways. **Comments deadline has been extended to December 26.**

[Draft Nonpoint Source Management Plan](#), The Plan serves as a non-regulatory road map to guide NPS Program activities including outreach, planning, and implementation projects. The Plan updates the state's 1999 NPS Plan and outlines New Hampshire's approach to addressing NPS pollution during years 2015 through 2019. If you would like to submit individual comments on the draft Plan or a particular NPS topic please submit written comments via email by May 31, 2014 to Jillian McCarthy at jillian.mccarthy@des.nh.gov.

NEW RESOURCES

[New Hampshire Coastal Risks & Hazards Commission](#), new website of the Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission

[Preparing for Emerging Fisheries: An Overview of Mid-Atlantic Stocks on the Move](#), report by Gulf of Maine Research Institute

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 9, 11am-1:30pm; [Climate Change Decision Role Play Event](#), Hugh Gregg Coastal Conservation Center, 89 Depot Road, Greenland, NH; hosted by the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, MIT's Science Impact Collaborative, the Consensus Building Institute and the City of Dover.

December 9, 5-9:30pm; [Citizen Workshop on Siting Energy Facilities in NH](#), Newington Town Hall, Newington, NH. Workshops begin with registration at 5:00 PM, kick-off at 6:00 PM and will end at approximately 9:30 PM; hosted by the Office of Energy and Planning.

[Storm Proofing Your Property Workshops](#), **Various dates and times in the Seacoast area**; hosted by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension

December 16, 6:30-7:30pm; [Discussion Group: Ensuring the Health of Great Bay](#), Weeks Public Library, Greenland, NH; hosted by the Winnicut River Watershed Coalition

January 10, seventh annual Lamprey River Symposium, University of New Hampshire in the Memorial Union Building; hosted by [New Hampshire Water Resource Research Center](#). The Annual Lamprey River Symposium is dedicated to exchanging the results of recent research on the water quality, hydrology, water resources issues, and management of the Lamprey River watershed.

January 17, 22, & 29, February 1 & 12; [Community Training in Ecological Design](#); Boscowan, NH & Concord, NH; hosted by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension

[Volunteer Beach Cleanups](#); various times and locations; Blue Ocean Society for Marine Conservation

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