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COASTAL NEWS CLIPS

Great Bay Clips

['Recreational' oyster farm proposed on Little Bay](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, January 27

[Facts should speak louder than environmental agendas](#), opinion, Foster's Daily Democrat, January 27

[Invest in Great Bay's future, not costly litigation](#), opinion, Foster's Daily Democrat, January 21

Water and Stormwater Clips

[Regional wastewater plan worth exploring](#), opinion, Seacoast Online, January 28

[UNH Stormwater Center awarded nearly \\$1m from EPA for Philadelphia Green Infrastructure Project](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, January 25

[Mandatory septic system inspections debated in York](#), Seacoast Online, January 24

[Province Lake holds workshop on watershed plan](#), NewHampshireLakesandMountains.com, January 23

[Workshop seeks solutions to Province Lake pollution](#), Union Leader, January 19

[Kittery sewer line break may cost \\$500K](#), Seacoast Online, January 23

[UNH Stormwater Center Awarded Nearly \\$1M from EPA for Philadelphia Green Infrastructure Project](#), University of New Hampshire, January 22

[Towns consider regional sewer sharing](#), Seacoast Online, January 21

Coastal Hazards and Climate Change Clips

[Expert: Get serious about sea-level rise](#), Seacoast Online, January 27

[Opportunity for No-Cost Assistance with Planning for Coastal Flood Hazards and Climate Change Impact](#), January 29, Crow's Nest Blog, New Hampshire Coastal Adaptation Workgroup

[N.H. Coastal Climate Summit Date Announced for April 10](#), January 23, Crow's Nest Blog, New Hampshire Coastal Adaptation Workgroup

Dam Clips

[A letter to Exeter selectmen](#), opinion, Seacoast Online, January 28

[Exeter selectmen don't recommend dam removal](#), Seacoast Online, January 24

[Some facts about the Great Dam study](#), Guest Shot, opinion, Seacoast Online, January 24

[Dam or Free Flowing Exeter River Fireside Chat Meeting at the Exeter Library on Thursday](#) Feb 6, Exeter Patch, January 24

Beach Clips

[Rye voters wrangling with beach rules](#), Seacoast Online, January 30

[Governor helps celebrate launch of new Marine Mammal Rescue Team](#), Union Leader, January 22

Restoration Clips

[EPA awards \\$1.5 million in wetland grants for NE](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, January 24

Fish Clips

[Hearing February 18 on Aquaculture Operation Near Isles of Shoals](#), New Hampshire Fish and Game Press Release, January 22

Energy Clips

[Solar bill fuels debate on Maine's energy future](#), Associated Press, Seacoast Online, January 22

Business Clips

[Youngs Restaurant awarded for sustainability](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, January 27

[Poly Recovery expanding again](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, January 26

[Plastics recycler Poly Recovery expanding operation](#), Seacoast Online, January 22

[Wright-Pierce receives Platinum Award](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, January 22

Municipal Clips

[Rye voters wrangling with beach rules](#), Seacoast Online, January 30

[North End Project now in 'jeopardy.'](#) Seacoast Online, January 23

FREE ASSISTANCE OPPORTUNITY

[Opportunity for No-Cost Assistance with Planning for Coastal Flood Hazards and Climate Change Impact](#) Coastal zone communities are invited to apply for free assistance with planning for coastal flood hazards and climate change impacts. Two communities will be selected by the [Natural Resources Outreach Coalition](#) for this project using [this application](#). **Applications are due by February 14, 2014.**

COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[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.

MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Gulf of Maine Council 2014 Awards Call for Nominations for Annual Recognition Awards](#); The Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment is now accepting nominations for its 2014 Awards. As the Council celebrates its 25th Anniversary, it seeks to recognize the value of young people as well as

experienced leaders in working together to protect the Gulf of Maine ecosystem. We welcome and encourage nominees of all ages (including students or youth organizations) for our 2014 Gulf of Maine Visionary Awards and Longard Volunteer Award. Submittal deadline is March 30, 2014.

NEW RESOURCES

[Ocean Planning in the Northeast](#), new website, Northeast Regional Planning Body

[Regional Clean Water Guidelines for Fertilization of Urban Turf](#), report with a set of regional voluntary guidelines on turf fertilization aimed at reducing nutrient losses and protecting water quality; New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission. The publication of this final report marks the end of a two-year stakeholder process, which aimed to integrate the positions and expertise of turf fertilizer manufacturers, lawn care professionals, state, federal and local environmental and land care agencies, academic researchers and university extension specialists, and regional watershed and environmental advocacy groups.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 6, 7-9pm; [Dam or Free Flowing Exeter River Fireside Chat Meeting](#); Exeter Library, hosted by Exeter River Advisory Committee

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

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The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Coastal Program provides funding and staff assistance to towns and cities, and other local and regional groups who protect clean water, restore coastal habitats, and help make communities more resilient to flooding and other natural hazards. The program's efforts are focused on N.H.'s coastal watershed, an area that encompasses 820 square miles and 42 municipalities. The Coastal Program supports the region's economy by helping to preserve the environmental health of the coast and Great Bay and Hampton-Seabrook estuaries for fishing and shellfishing, and assisting with the maintenance of our ports, harbors and tidal rivers for commercial and recreational uses.

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