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The Rip Tide E-Info

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



December 5 Issue: Weeks of November 19 and 26

COASTAL NEWS CLIPS

Great Bay Clips

[The Great Bay Coalition meets Thursday in Rochester: Durham engineer attributes increased nitrogen levels to beer-drinking college kids,](#)

Foster's Daily Democrat, December 4

[Seacoast Science Cafe to focus on Great Bay's health,](#) Seacoast Online, November 29

[How Healthy Is Great Bay? Find Out at Seacoast Science Café Dec. 5,](#) University of New Hampshire press release, November 28

[EPA report arrogant, ambiguous,](#) opinion, Foster's Daily Democrat, November 24

[Great Bay Municipal Coalition asks judge to reconsider nitrogen case,](#) Associated Press, Concord Monitor, November 23

[In Newmarket: EPA issues final nitrogen discharge permit,](#) Foster's Daily Democrat, November 20

[Treatment plant upgrades would cost \\$18M,](#) Seacoast Online, November 20

[Great Bay Coalition to ask court to reconsider its case against DES over nitrogen levels,](#) Foster's Daily Democrat, November 17

[Newmarket receives final nitrogen discharge permit,](#) Seacoast Online, November 17

[Coalition to challenge court ruling in N.H. DES suit,](#) Seacoast Online, November 16

Beach Clips

[New bathhouse on schedule in North Hampton,](#) Seacoast Online, December 4

Water and Stormwater Clips

[Stratham, Exeter in discussion about water, sewer,](#) Seacoast Online,

December 4

[State of Our Estuaries Conference set for Dec. 7 in Portsmouth](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 28

[Seeking clean water solutions](#), Seacoast Online, November 26

[Hearing on Exeter dam options delayed](#), Seacoast Online, November 25

[Schier is PREP's Clean-Water Champion for November](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 22

[Grant to help N.H. communities manage stormwater](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 18

Coastal Hazards and Climate Clips

[Forest reveals climate change's surprising damage to moose, maple syrup](#), stargazette.com, November 29

Fish Clips

[One tiny fish and the ecosystem](#), opinion, Foster's Daily Democrat, December 4

[Public Hearing December 11 Miscellaneous Rules on Scallops, Shellfish and Special Wildlife Permit](#), New Hampshire Fish and Game press release, November 28

[Committee 'hopeful' clam flats will reopen by next summer](#), Seacoast Online, November 27

[Public Hearing Dec. 11, 2012, on Three Proposed Shellfish Aquaculture Operations](#), New Hampshire Fish and Game press release, November 20

Land Preservation Clips

[Protection Of 215 Acres In Durham Among Projects Receiving LCHIP Grants](#), NHPR, December 4

[New sign asks: 'Enjoying the View?' Promotes conservation of Oyster River Initiative and need for private donations](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 21

Energy Clips

[NRC says no immediate threat at Seabrook reactor](#), Reuters, December 4

[Nuclear plant studies concrete deterioration](#), Seacoast Online, November 30

[Geothermal company joins Somersworth Chamber](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, November 28

[Hearing planned to address concrete problems](#), Newburyport Daily News, November 21

Municipal Clips

[Application only first step in approval process for Barrington gravel pit](#), Foster's Daily Democrat, December 5

[Hampton eyes leaving regional trash district](#), Seacoast Online, November 27

Business Clips

[Turning Seacoast trash into treasure](#), Seacoast Online, December 3

[Canola power: Lee farm finds a niche bottling its oil, and finds a host of other uses, too](#), NH.com, November 20

Environmental Education and Volunteer Opportunities Clips

[Rye man honored for conservation volunteerism](#), Seacoast Online, November 28

Ports and Harbors Clips

[Hampton Harbor Closed After Excavator Falls Off Barge Into Water](#), Hampton-North Hampton Patch, December 4

[PDA addresses port environmental concerns](#), Union Leader, November 27

[Scrap pile the focus of city meeting](#), Seacoast Online, November 21

GRANT, LOAN AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND QUALIFICATIONS ANNOUNCEMENTS

[American Rivers and NOAA Community-Based Restoration Program](#)

[River Grants](#), program funds stream barrier removal projects in the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Northwest, South-Atlantic and California. Applications are currently being accepted for 2013 project funding with a deadline of December 7, 2012. Potential applicants must contact American Rivers to discuss projects prior to submitting an application; contact our northeast regional staff at Amy Singler, 413-584-2183, asingler@americanrivers.org or Brian Graber, 413-585-5896, bgraber@americanrivers.org

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

[The Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment is calling for nominations for its annual awards](#). Please consider nominating a deserving volunteer or professional individual or group for a Visionary Award, an individual volunteer for the Longard Award, a professional for the Susan Snow-Cotter Leadership Award, a business for the Industry Award, and a community or group within a community for the Sustainable Communities Award using the forms at www.gulfofmaine.org/2/opportunities/. Deadline is March 30, 2013.

NEW RESOURCES

[NH Stormwater Utility Feasibility Studies Lessons Learned](#), website, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

[Journalists Room](#), website, N.H. Coastal Adaptation Workgroup

WEBINARS

December 6, 1:30-3pm; [How Communities Can Become More Resilient to Extreme Weather and Climate Change Through Floodplain Regulations](#), including a speaker on Seabrook, NH's experiences, hosted by [Georgetown Climate Center](#)

December 13, 1-2pm; [Can You Hear Me Now? Research and Tools on Ocean Communication](#), hosted by [EBM Tools Network](#), [NOAA's National Marine Protected Areas Center](#), [MPA News](#), and [OpenChannels.org](#).

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

December 7, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; [Piscataqua Region Estuaries Partnership at the State of Our Estuaries Conference](#), Portsmouth Harbor Events and Conference Center

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 5, 6 p.m., [NH Seacoast Science cafe: Health of Great Bay: Great Big Challenges and Great Big Opportunities](#), The Portsmouth Brewery, Jimmy LaPanza Lounge, Portsmouth, NH
[Volunteer Beach Cleanups](#); Various times and locations in November and beyond; 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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