

VALENTINE'S DAY EDITION 2024

GPA Newsletter

Georges Pond
Association



Greetings from the Georges Pond Association

A MESSAGE FROM THE GPA BOARD:

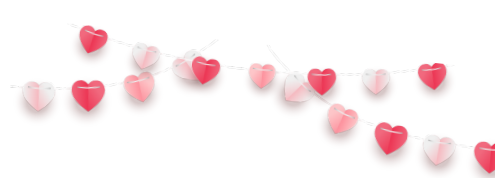
Please accept this “love note” in appreciation of **the many ways you continue to protect our beloved Pond**. Educating yourself about how to minimize stormwater runoff and build up healthy buffers at the water's edge makes a difference. Scheduling a LakeSmart survey of your property makes another **big difference**. Attending GPA events, including septic socials, the Annual Meeting and picnic, and road clean-ups matter. Maintaining a healthy septic system makes a difference. Helping out with water monitoring, the annual loon count, and cataloging the Pond's aquatic plants makes a difference. Not least of all, renewing your GPA membership and donating financially to the GPA matter. **You keep us going strong, so thank you, one and all!**



ABOVE: Public beach renovation in progress with a new stone retaining wall, granite steps, and picnic area.



LEFT: New culvert on Cousins Road diverting stormwater towards BMP (Best Management Practice) infiltration.





GRAVEL ROAD MAINTENANCE MANUAL

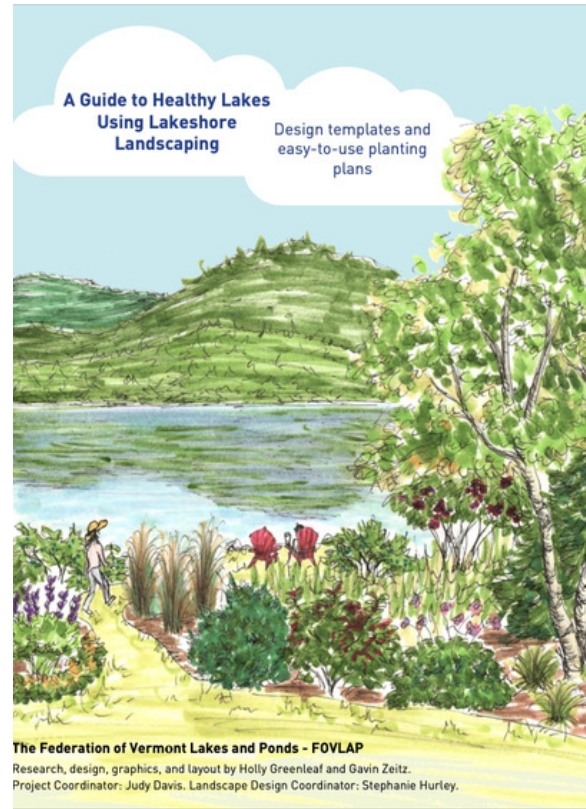
A Guide for Landowners on Camp and Other Gravel Roads



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A Guide to Healthy Lakes Using Lakeshore Landscaping
Design templates and easy-to-use planting plans

The Federation of Vermont Lakes and Ponds - FOVLAP
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Think summer!



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