



Maine's lakes belong to all of us

The challenge

Maine's lakes are at risk—from invasive species, development, polluted runoff, and policy inaction. But our state's response remains fragmented and underpowered. Our clean and beautiful lakes are **economic engines**, attracting billions in revenue through tourism, property values, and jobs. Clean lakes are threatened by human activity. Maintaining their long-term health requires foresight, investment, and a united effort. Without this, we risk reacting too late and paying far more down the line.

"We are loving our lakes to death."

Eric Lind, public servant, veteran, Maine lakes advocate

Our vision

We envision a future where all of Maine's lakes are clean, healthy, and resilient. They anchor our environment, economy, and way of life. They are protected by state and local stewards, sustained funding, and strong policies that safeguard their natural beauty and draw people to live, work, and play in Maine. From iconic **summer camps** to **thriving tourism**, from **wildlife habitat** and quality **sport-fishing** to **clean drinking water**, our lakes are valuable assets—and they need our protection.

Our response

We're building **a new statewide coalition** to unite advocates and strengthen coordination among those who care about and rely on our lakes, and to advance innovative, effective, science-based policy change. Together, we can meet the challenge and protect our lakes, ponds, and freshwaters for future generations.

Lakes Protection Coalition Leadership



Connect with LPC

We are recruiting additional lake and watershed organizations to join as core members, and like-minded organizations and businesses to support us.

To join the soon-to-be launched mailing list, [sign up here](#), or scan the QR code. For all other inquiries, contact our steering committee team at lakeprotectioncoalition@gmail.com.

