

Kanasatka Water Matters

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Important LakeSmart Information

by Chris Wallace, LKWA Director

In a very short period of time, Kanasatka homeowners have collectively accomplished a great deal in the way of improving water quality. There is, however, much more to be done to maintain the current pristine water conditions that we are experiencing this summer.

Help is available to those individuals and families who would like to learn more about what they can do to insure that their property is not contributing to the phosphorous that continues to enter the lake by way of aging or failing septic systems and stormwater runoff.

- Have your septic system inspected. LKWA funds are available to offset the price of inspections by NH certified inspectors. See: https://kanasatka.org/septic-system-inspection-assistance-program/ for further details.
- 2. Check out the LakeSmart program for information and resources on steps you can take to insure that your property complies with recommendations for preventing stormwater runoff from entering the lake. Go to: https://kanasatka.org/lakesmartprogram/ or https://nhlakes.org/lakesmart/ and get started on your LakeSmart journey today!
- 3. Contact the LKWA "Boots on the Ground" team. This group is comprised of community-spirited Lake Kanasatka neighbors who volunteer their time to improve conditions on properties around the lake. There is no charge for their service. They are happy to help out and enjoy meeting new folks along the way. If you are in need of their services or would like to join the team, contact Kevin Kelly at: kevinkelly700@yahoo.com

On a related note, as the recipient of several grants, LKWA needs to provide documentation on our efforts that show we are meeting the benchmarks outlined in the Lake Kanasatka Watershed-Based Management Plan and grant documents.

One such goal is to have 25% of all lakefront properties LakeSmart certified by 2023 and 50% by 2026. 25% of Lake Kanasatka properties have begun the process with 22 (roughly 10%), certified as LakeSmart as of this writing. Please help us increase the number of LakeSmart properties starting now! Working together we can continue to make a difference.

As I look around our beautiful lake, I see many properties that would require very little to no work to qualify for the prestigious LakeSmart award. Please consider completing the survey at: https://s.pointerpro.com/lakesmartstart2 to help us

meet this important goal. Get your neighbors involved, compare notes, share resources and ask for help as needed to insure that Lake Kanasatka's water quality remains pristine in the years ahead and that LKWA has the documentation to meet and exceed our benchmarks.

Thank you for your part in keeping our lake healthy for future generations to enjoy.

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Link to Watershed Management Plan

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