

# What is a Lake Plan?

A Lake Plan is a Strategic Action Plan developed by the lake community to understand and preserve the special character of their lake.



## A Lake Plan is...

- 🗑️ Voluntary
- 🗑️ Non-regulatory
- 🗑️ Community built, based on consensus
- 🗑️ Based on protecting or enhancing the health of the lake
- 🗑️ Up to you

## A Lake Plan is Not...

- 🗑️ Government driven
- 🗑️ Regulatory or legally binding
- 🗑️ Mandatory
- 🗑️ Telling you what you can/can't do on your lake or property
- 🗑️ Up to anyone else

## What do Lake Plans often suggest as recommendations?

- 🗑️ The lake community working together through communication and education
- 🗑️ Undertake stewardship initiatives
- 🗑️ Shoreline planting, habitat rehabilitation, enhancement projects
- 🗑️ Improving wastewater treatment practices
- 🗑️ Learning more through monitoring (water quality, invasive species, etc.)
- 🗑️ Recommendations for land use policies

## What do Lake Plans Usually Address?

- Water quality, aquatic vegetation, algae blooms
- Shoreline protection, shoreline health
- Development pressure, redevelopment, commercial development
- Water levels/flooding
- Impacts of boating
- Invasive species
- Loss of wildlife/habitat

## What's Involved in a Lake Plan?

- The lake community working together
- Identifying what you love about your lake, specific lake values, issues and impacts
- Inventory of resources and background information
- Developing goals and actions aimed at protecting the health of the lake and its watershed
- Recommending stewardship actions
- Recommending land use policy to guide growth and development

*Working towards a healthier lake now and in the future, for you, your children and your grandchildren.*

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