



Friends of Bolton Lakes





Friends of Bolton Lakes

- Incorporated in January 2013
- Developed Bylaws
- Created an active Board of Directors
- Developed annual goals
- Hold meetings monthly
- 127 Memberships with 161 members
- Vernon & Bolton & 12 additional towns



Friends of Bolton Lakes Mission

- Conserve & preserve the lakes pristine condition
- Engage in & promote education
- Provide & maintain communication
- Observe & report on conditions of the lakes
- Cooperate & assist organizations & individuals with research & disseminate the scientific information
- Represent the lakes within the Connecticut Federation of Lakes



Accomplishing the FBL Mission

- ***Maintaining pristine lakes & education***
 - Invasive Weed identification & handling
 - ‘Near Lake’ residents Flyer
 - Rain garden development





Accomplishing the FBL Mission

- ***Communication***

- Collaborate with Bolton Lakes Watershed Conservation Alliance
- Establish www.friendsofboltonlakes.org site
- Set up & chair meetings with State & Towns
- Work closely with Bolton Lake Commissioner
- Support individual town committee meetings
- Encourage member attendance at town meetings
- Provide notice to members via email



- ***Observe & report conditions of the lakes***
 - Purchase testing equipment to capture data & compliment efforts of limnologists
 - Key members trained by skilled limnologist
 - Provide immediate significant change reports to Lake Commissioner, Towns, & State



Accomplishing the FBL Mission

- ***Cooperate with & assist organizations & individuals performing research***
 - Provide support and information to limnologists
 - Bring together Town & State representatives to address issues
 - Work with Towns & State to use STEAP grant & other funding wisely
 - Provide human & intellectual resources
 - Disseminate information gathered



The Vision for the future



Long Term:

- FBL endorses the recommendation of the ERT report that an EPA Compliant Watershed Management Plan be developed

Near Term:

- FBL requests that coordinated activities in lake water management be proactively enhanced using existent data as well as new information



Together we can improve...





...and maintain our Lakes



'Come join us'