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Dear Friends,

2016 was an eye-opening year for the residents of Trickey Pond. Extensive studies by The Portland Water District, LEA and Cumberland County Soil and Water Conservation District determined that the lake we love and call "home" is headed for trouble.

Although Trickey was awarded top scores for clarity, the "Lake Health Trend" factor was extremely low, and the pond has been placed in a category of "moderate to high concern". Reasoning behind this sobering news is significant development and deforestation surrounding Trickey, resulting in increased runoff and a decrease in biological activity (i.e. wildlife).

What can TPEPA do to improve Trickey Pond? First, we can partner with local environmental organizations and educate landowners in ways to reverse the lake's declining health. Second, we can do our best to keep invasive plants out of the lake by inspecting boats as they enter Trickey through the public boat ramp. Thanks to grants awarded, LEA hires and trains inspectors, but contributions to TPEPA is how salaries are paid.

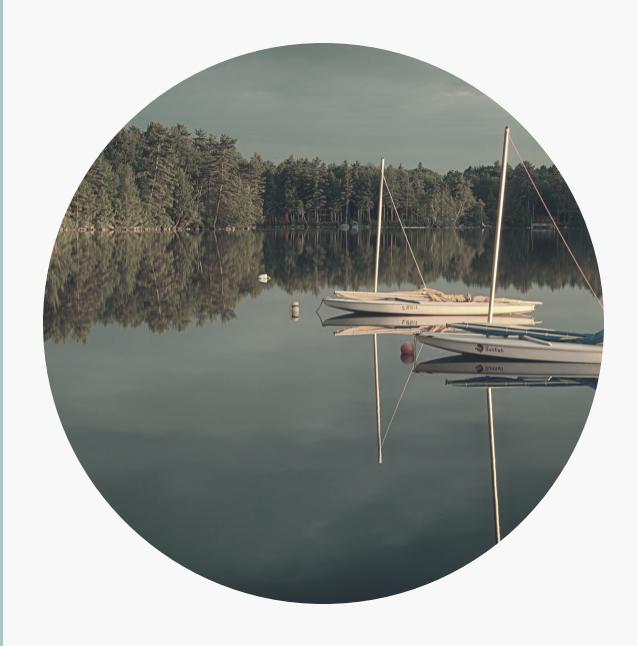
Thank you for being an important member of the Trickey Pond family, and hopefully TPEPA as well. The TPEPA board welcomes your involvement and support, as we strive to serve the community, together as one.

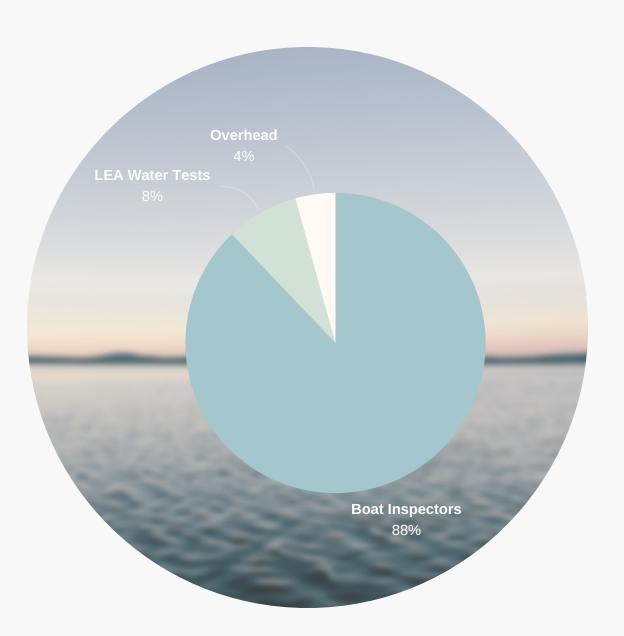
Kristin Finkelstein, TPEPA Director of Development

# TRICKEY POND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ASSOCIATION

OUR MISSION:

Maintaining the quality
of the lake and
preserving its pristine
environment through
public education and
taking measures to
ensure that non-native
invasive plant species
are not introduced into
its waters.





#### PROTECTING TRICKEY POND

Of the \$8,320 raised in 2015, we used 88% to pay for the 2016 boat inspectors at the public boat ramp.

Our inspectors stopped 33 plant fragments from entering Trickey Pond in 2016.

In 2016, we raised \$10,260. With this support, we plan to increase the 2017 boat inspector hours.

In addition, we plan to provide increased educational resources to help you learn how to protect

Trickey Pond.

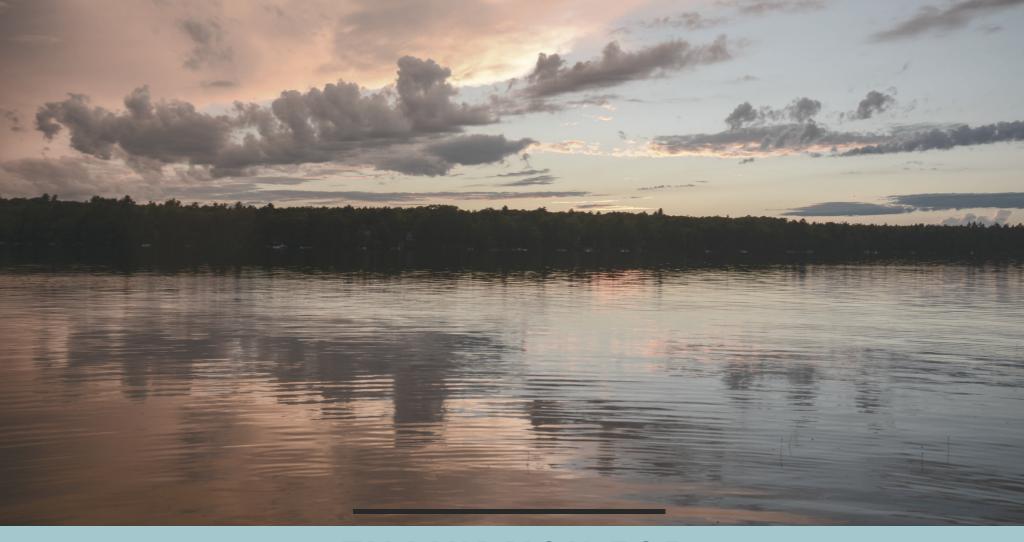
#### THANK YOU

To our friends and neighbors for your donation in 2016

We look forward to seeing you on Trickey this year!

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