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LCHIP Land & Community Heritage Investment Program

INVESTING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE'S HERITAGE

Welcome!

*"The world's favorite season is the spring. All things seem possible in May."
Edwin Way Teale*

Grant Round 2021 is open and application materials are available online using the following links:

- [For Natural Resource Applicants](#)
- [For Historic Resource Applicants](#)

LCHIP Intent to Apply Forms are due on May 14 and the full 2021 Grant Round Schedule can be found [here](#).

A total of more than 160 individuals attended the two Grant Orientation Workshop webinars. The Historic Resource webinar is available on-demand by registering [here](#) and slides can be downloaded [here](#). The Natural Resource webinar details and video are posted [here](#).

May is National Preservation Month! The National Trust for Historic Preservation is focusing on [telling the full American story](#), meeting a growing interest in understanding the depth and diversity of our nation's history. The New Hampshire Preservation Alliance is continuing the Old House and Barn Expo - On the Road with three events scheduled in May. For more info view their [calendar of events](#).

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Protecting New Hampshire's Natural, Historic, and Cultural Resources

Railroad History to be Showcased

Wolfeboro Freight Shed rehab project on track

Spring finds a number of LCHIP-funded rehabilitation and restoration projects advancing rapidly. In Wolfeboro, workers have been rebuilding the foundation, repairing the framing, and replacing the roof of a freight house that the Portsmouth, Great Falls and Conway Railroad built in 1872. Situated near the old passenger depot and immediately adjacent to the right-of-way which is now a walking path, this surviving structure embodies the significance of railroads in New Hampshire history. Currently, the Lakes Region Model Railroad Museum is rehabbing the Town-owned building and developing exhibits and programming to showcase the area's railroad history.



Rehabilitation work is well underway at the Wolfeboro Freight Shed

Spring Conservation Blitz

Ten new conservation areas protected in New Hampshire

Emerging with energy from the challenges of 2020, New Hampshire's land conservation community hit the ground running this Spring. Over an 8-week period from mid-March through the first week of May, town conservation commissions and nonprofit land trusts completed a record number of LCHIP-funded land conservation projects. In all, LCHIP funds supported the creation of [10 new conservation areas](#), totaling more than 3,500 acres.

The new conservation areas are located all across the state and include working lands for farming and forestry, scenic properties along rivers, roads, mountains and lakes, and recreational lands for hiking, biking, hunting and fishing, including 22 islands in the Androscoggin river. All property conserved with LCHIP assistance is available to the public for pedestrian uses, including hiking, skiing, hunting, and fishing. For more information on any of these new conservation areas, contact LCHIP Natural Resource Specialist, [Paula Bellemore](#).



*Bikers in the newly conserved Birch Ridge Community Forest - Young Tract in New Durham
Photo Credit: J. Monkman, EcoPhotography*

Seasonal Photos Needed!

We like to feature seasonal photos of LCHIP-assisted projects in our newsletters. If you have any high quality digital photographs, especially those taken in spring or winter, we would be grateful if you would share them with us. Send JPGs to Barb Beers at officemgr@lchip.org and include the resource name, municipality and name of the photographer.



Harrisville Community Church in Autumn



The [NH Conservation License Plate \(Moose Plate\) Program](#) supports the protection of critical resources in our state. You can purchase a Moose Plate at any time - even for a friend! Find out more at mooseplate.com. Income from the Moose Plate Program pays for much of LCHIP's administrative expenses. Thanks Moose Plate holders for your support!

Header photo: Shelburne Riverlands, 853 acres including 12 mainland parcels and 22 islands in the Androscoggin River, has recently been permanently protected with assistance from a 2020 LCHIP grant. Photo credit: Jerry Monkman, EcoPhotography

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