

Vermont Lake Wise Program

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Be Awarded for Your Exemplary Shoreline!

What is Lake Wise?

A free, non-regulatory, and educational program that offers technical land and stormwater management assistance for lakeshore property owners!

What is the goal of Lake Wise?

To establish a new normal, a new culture of lakeshore land management that is proven to help protect the lake.

What is the Lake Wise Award?

The Lake Wise Award is given to properties that represent a "model" shoreland property. It certifies that the property is well managed, using shoreland Best Management Practices, and is maintained to care for the lake.



Conventional Development



Lakeshore Restoration



Pictured to the left are some easy Best Management Practices for lakeshore property owners.

How do I participate?

If you are a lakeshore owner and think you are or would like to become a Lake Wise Award Winner, contact Alison Marchione. We will then schedule an assessment of your property. Your property will be evaluated in four categories: Shoreland, Recreation Area, Driveway, and Structures & Septic Systems. Any lakeshore owner can participate in the Lake Wise Program, including state parks, town beaches, private homes and businesses.