

Dock Study Commission DRAFT Public Questionnaire

1. Where is your primary place of residence (state)?
2. Do you own waterfront property in New Hampshire?
3. Do you know anyone who owns waterfront property in New Hampshire?
4. Do you rent and/or visit waterfront property in New Hampshire?
5. How often do you visit a body of water in New Hampshire?
 - a. Very often (daily)
 - b. Often (weekly)
 - c. Occasionally (monthly)
 - d. Not often (yearly)
 - e. Never
6. Do you enjoy water dependent activities?
 - a. Ex. Fishing, swimming, boating, kayaking etc.
7. Could you list your top 5 water dependent activities?
 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 4
 - 5
8. How often do you participate in water dependent activities?
 - a. Very often (daily)
 - b. Often (weekly)
 - c. Occasionally (monthly)
 - d. Not often (yearly)
 - e. Never
9. Did you know that the public trust is a doctrine stating that the state owns its bodies of water for the benefit of the public?
10. Did you know that public waterbodies (lakes, ponds, rivers, etc.) are held within the public trust?
11. Did you know that navigation, fishing, recreational uses, fish and wildlife habitat, and aesthetics are protected on public waterbodies (lakes, ponds, rivers, etc.) held in the public trust?
12. Do you feel informed about issues relating to public waters (lakes, ponds, rivers, etc.)?
13. Did you know that a dock study commission was established by House Bill 1810?
14. Would you attend a dock study commission meeting if it was in a public forum?
15. Are there any issues, problems, or policies relating to public waters (lakes, ponds, rivers, etc.) that you feel that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services or the dock study commission established by House Bill 1810 should focus on?
16. Would you return to New Hampshire to participate in a water dependent activity?

Potential Sites/Methods of Dissemination:

- a. Online (websites, social media)
- b. DNCR requests that they see a copy of the questionnaires/surveys before they are distributed to the state parks.
 - i. Options may include: Ellacoya state park, Monodnock State Park, Mt. Sunapee State Park, Pawtuckaway State Park, Wellington State Park, White Lake State Park, Franconia State Park, Bear Brook State Park, Ordiorne State Park
 - ii. Historical sites?
- c. NHF&G would allow the survey/questionnaire to be posted to their social accounts or allow DES to tag them
- d. Boat access sites
- e. Community gathering places or places of business:
 - i. Moulton Farm
 - ii. Squam Lake Marketplace
 - iii. Town Docks in Meredith
 - iv. Weirs Beach
 - v. Wolfsboro
 - vi. Alton
 - vii. Laconia
 - viii. Sunapee
 - ix. Ossipee
 - x. Others?
- f. If extension... presidential primary... diverse population