



Pleasant Pond - Cobbosseecontee Stream Lake Association

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It's official! The Pleasant Pond - Cobbosseecontee Stream Lake Association (PPCSLA) is now a registered nonprofit organization in Maine (EIN: 41-4427359).

Our Mission and Shared Responsibility to protect the water quality, to eradicate aquatic invasive plant species, and to preserve the unique character of our beloved lake and stream for generations to come, is well underway.

Why is our association needed?

1. To build a strong sense of community among those who live and play on the Pond and Stream.
2. To educate our members and others about water quality issues and aquatic invasive species that threaten the lake and stream, and what we can do about it if we work together.
3. To uphold our commitment to our watershed partners: the **Watershed Friends**, the **Cobossee Watershed District**, and the **other lake associations** in the Cobossee Watershed, to improve our water quality and eradicate aquatic invasive species (AIS).
4. To be a source of current and relevant information which helps our community members to be good stewards of our waters and stay abreast of watershed and lake news.

What we have accomplished so far:

1. **A steering committee** with Greg Anderson as President and eight other representatives from all areas of the Pond and Stream have been meeting regularly since last summer to build our new association.
2. We are incorporated as a **registered nonprofit corporation in Maine**.
3. We have **applied to become an IRS 501(c)(3) tax exempt nonprofit**. Expected in 2026.
4. We are **preparing a 3-year Strategic Plan (FY 2026-28)** to guide our development.
5. **We have a website (www.ppcsla.org)** where everyone can find information about the association, the lake and stream, invasive species, and more. Our hope is that this website will become the central resource for all the lake and stream residents and others.
6. **We have a membership portal! Join PPCSLA online!** <https://ppcsla.org/membership/>



Visit our website!

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What comes next: Get involved!

1. Become a member of the PPCSLA. You can become a member of the PPCSLA by visiting the PPCSLA website. By joining, you strengthen our association and participate in the fight to keep our waters clean and to eradicate aquatic invasive species (AIS).
2. Plan to attend your town’s budget or select board meeting to support the Watershed Friends’ 2026 request for funds for their ongoing efforts toward eradication of aquatic invasive species in our lake and stream. If all 5 towns fully fund the requests, PPCSLA will be credited with \$31,900, and those funds are directly applied to AIS control efforts on our lake and stream, thereby reducing the amount of direct fundraising needed by the PPCSLA. We will let you know when and where these meetings will take place.
3. Most importantly, talk to your friends and neighbors on the pond and stream to get everyone involved with our efforts to build community and to protect our waterways. There will be many volunteer opportunities in the future as well as social events.

Thank you for supporting the PPCSLA! See you on the water!

With great respect and gratitude,



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Join the PPCSLA today!!!



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PPCSLA Steering Committee

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