

**TAKE ACTION!**

**Bridgewater Planning Board Meeting via ZOOM  
to discuss proposed 80-bed (81,840 SF)  
Inpatient Rehabilitation Hospital at Lakeshore Center on  
Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at 6:30 PM**

**Zoom Meeting to Attend Via Video:  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82695181713>  
To Attend Via Phone Dial: +13052241968, 82695181713# US  
Meeting ID: 826 9518 1713**

**WATER IMPACT STATEMENT FOR INPATIENT REHABILITATION  
HOSPITAL INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS:**

These results indicate that without increasing its current supply capacity, the Town cannot meet its MDD. (maximum day demand)

Any additional demands increase both the likelihood and severity of experiencing supply deficits in subsequent summers.

Apex's supply and demand analysis indicates that the Town does not have adequate supply capacity to meet current demands at this time.

Apex recommends that the Town consider a moratorium on future development if it is unable to achieve and maintain a surplus in available water system capacity

Complete Water Impact Statement can be found at [www.lnaft.org](http://www.lnaft.org). Scroll down to file labeled **WATER IMPACT STATEMENT\_021326**.



**Where to find more information including project files, Zoom backgrounds and link to zoning:**  
[www.lnaft.org](http://www.lnaft.org) (Lake Nippenicket Action Focus Team (LNAFT) Website)

**Bridgewater Planning Board Site:**

[Planning Board Applications](#) / [Bridgewater MA](#) / [0 Lakeshore Center](#) / [Lot 16](#) / [Encompass](#)

**How to comment:**

Email your comments to [ced@bridgewaterma.org](mailto:ced@bridgewaterma.org)

Attn: Town of Bridgewater Planning Board, Patrick Driscoll, Chair

or attend the meeting on March 4, 2026, and comment during the public hearing

**Want to get more involved?**

Email us at [lnaft@outlook.com](mailto:lnaft@outlook.com)

# LAKE NIPPENICKET ACTION FOCUS TEAM (LNAFT)



The Lake Nippenicket Action Focus Team (LNAFT) is united in its mission to protect Lake Nippenicket and hydrologically connected natural resources while advocating for the peaceful recreational enjoyment of the lake by the entire community.

Our mission is

- To protect the lake from threats to its important freshwater habitat including pollution, overdevelopment, and climate change.
- To build support for responsible stewardship of Lake Nippenicket's fragile ecosystems that include clean water and air, preservation of open space, protection of wildlife habitat, streams, rivers, wetlands, and surrounding watersheds.
- To share information with the community about Lake Nippenicket and its hydrologically connected natural resources. This includes education as well as details regarding potential threats to freshwater habitat.
- To be an ongoing advocate and voice for the preservation of Lake Nippenicket and its hydrologically connected wetlands, rivers, and streams.

[WWW.LNAFT.ORG](http://WWW.LNAFT.ORG)



## DID YOU KNOW?



- LAKE NIPPENICKET IS 386 ACRES IN SIZE AND PART OF THE TAUNTON RIVER WATERSHED.
- ACCORDING TO THE BOOK, [HOCKOMOCK WONDER WETLAND](#) BY KATHLEEN S. ANDERSON, LAKE NIPPENICKET WAS ONCE CALLED NUNCKETEST OR "LAKE OF RED WATERS" DUE TO THE BOG IRON DEPOSITS IN THE LAKE THAT TURNED THE WATER RED.
- LAKE NIPPENICKET IS A GREAT POND AND AFFORDED SPECIAL PROTECTIONS ACCORDING TO [CHAPTER 91, THE MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC WATERFRONT ACT](#) THAT REGULATE ACTIVITIES INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION, DREDGING AND FILLING IN GREAT PONDS.
- CHECK OUT THE [MASSACHUSETTS LAKES AND PONDS GUIDE](#) TO FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN PROTECT LAKE NIPPENICKET AND MASSACHUSETTS' 3,000 LAKES AND PONDS.

SOURCES: [HTTPS://WWW.MASS.GOV/DOC/NIPPENICKET-LAKE/DOWNLOAD](https://www.mass.gov/doc/nippenicket-lake/download); [HTTPS://WWW.MASS.GOV/DOC/MASSACHUSETTS-GREAT-PONDS-LIST/DOWNLOAD](https://www.mass.gov/doc/massachusetts-great-ponds-list/download); [HTTPS://WWW.MASS.GOV/GUIDES/CHAPTER-91-THE-MASSACHUSETTS-PUBLIC-WATERFRONT-ACT](https://www.mass.gov/guides/chapter-91-the-massachusetts-public-waterfront-act); [HTTPS://BRIDGEWATERPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG/SITES/BRIDGEWATERPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG/FILES/ATTACHMENTS/HOCKOMOCKWONDERWETLAND-COMPRESSED.PDF](https://bridgewaterpubliclibrary.org/sites/bridgewaterpubliclibrary.org/files/attachments/hockomockwonderwetland-compressed.pdf)

