

Amos Lake is a 113 acre Trophy Trout / Bass Management Lake. It has a maximum depth of 45 feet and a 920 acre watershed. The Amos Lake watershed includes agricultural activities, small-scale businesses, medium-density houses and churches.

Past studies have been particularly concerned with phosphorus loading leading to eutrophication.

A study prepared by the Southeastern Regional Planning Agency in 1980 indicated that the lake was entering into a "marginal eutrophic status" (eutrophic or eutrophication refers to the natural and artificial addition of nutrients to a lake, stream, etc. and that care should be exercised in the conduct of land use activities within the watershed area).

In May 2006: The Eastern Connecticut Conservation District along with the Amos Lake Association hosted a workshop on identifying Invasive Aquatic Plants.

A few months later The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station Invasive Aquatic Plant Program surveyed the lake. Twenty-one species of aquatic plants were found in the lake.



Two invasives were found. One is hybrid *Myriophyllum heterophyllum* X *laxum*, a cross between the invasive *Myriophyllum heterophyllum* and *Myriophyllum laxum*. The other is *Glossostigma cleistanthum*.

Amos Lake hosts a State of Connecticut boat launch and many fishing tournaments. Hence we are subject to hitchhikers (plants entering the lake via boats or their trailers).

In 2006 the Amos Lake Association embarked on a program that measures and records clarity of water using the Secchi disk.

Although Amos Lake is a recreational lake it has some special regulations with regard to the use of outboard motors. There is a speed limit of 8 mph, and no water skiing allowed - except for the period from June 15 to the first Sunday after Labor Day. During this period, speeds in excess of 8 mph and water skiing are only allowed between the hours of 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM.



BE AN INFORMED CITIZEN

Visit the Town Hall at 389 Route 2
Call (860) 887-5581 for information
or visit Preston's user friendly
website at www.preston-ct.org

Amos Lake Association

is an organization dedicated to assisting landowners and all other interested citizens in an educational role to maintain, protect and enhance the water quality of Amos Lake, its surroundings, and waterways, and to maintain this public resource as accessible for diverse recreational uses by current and future generations.

Individual and family memberships from the surrounding area support the promotional activities around Amos Lake. Without their commitment both financially and through volunteerism our activities throughout the year would not be successful.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 at the Preston Library. Membership does not require that you attend all meetings. We have members that reside outside of Preston and contribute through email or at our various events.

We hope you will join the Amos Lake Association so that we may become more involved in projects such as water sampling, landowner education, boating safety, and watershed management.

It is a gift that will span generations.

ALA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please return to:

Amos Lake Association
 PO Box 84
 Ledyard, CT 06339

Member

Name _____

2nd Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Annual Membership

Individual \$25

Family \$40

Business or Organization \$25

I would like to make a donation to further support environmental and educational programs. \$ _____

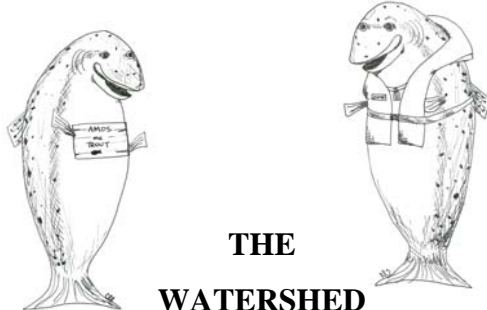
If you would like to know more about the Amos Lake Association or the Public Awareness Program, write us at PO Box 84 Ledyard CT or email Amoslake@gmail.com

AMOS THE TROUT

Throughout our correspondence, brochures, and in past issues of the Preston pipeline you have seen the many faces of Amos the Trout.

Amos the Trout, our mascot character, is the creation of Chelsea Ennis a lifelong resident of Preston.

The Amos Lake Association is forever grateful to Chelsea for her contribution.



**THE
 WATERSHED
 BELONGS TO
 ALL OF US
 LET'S ALL
 PROTECT IT**



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The Amos Lake Public Awareness Program will provide an opportunity for citizens to play a role in the management of their watershed.

Not everyone lives next to a pond or stream, but all of us live in a watershed.

The Amos Lake Association, along with the Eastern Connecticut Conservation District, has been working together with funds made available in part by the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection through a United States Environmental Protection Agency Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Grant in conjunction with Connecticut Federation of Lakes to make information available to you.

The enclosed fact sheets discuss, among other things, how to keep your septic system properly maintained, importance of testing your drinking water and soil, how you can be part of the solution, low impact development, and what is a watershed.

The soil test is a free service offered by the Connecticut