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Lake Major Watershed Newsletter

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Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area Regulation Review Progress

In our last Lake Major Watershed Newsletter—Winter 2023, Volume 15 Issue 1, found at [Lake Major Newsletter Winter 2023 for LMWAB.pdf \(halifaxwater.ca\)](#)—Halifax Water provided an update on the status of the *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area* (LMWPWA) Regulation review process. This newsletter provides details on the outcomes of that process and what to expect next.

Final Review Phase

Halifax Water wishes to thank everyone who participated in the LMWPWA Regulation review process, so far. The comments generated in the first community engagement phase have been carefully considered and reflected in the first draft of the revised *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area* Regulations, which can be found online at halifaxwater.ca/LMWPWA.

The final community engagement opportunities involve a second round of public engagement sessions, the schedule for which is listed in the table on the right. These in-person and online sessions include a presentation, followed by a question and answer period, where Halifax Water and the Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Climate Change representatives will be on hand to answer questions about the proposed changes. Also, *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area* landowners will receive a communication package in the mail providing the current Regulations and proposed revisions, along with the supporting rationale, and how to provide comment.

Comments provided through these means, or submitted online at halifaxwater.ca/LMWPWA, or in writing to the **Lake Major Watershed Engagement Team** by **May 5** at

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will be recorded and considered in the final draft of the LMWPWA Regulation revisions.

The proposed changes provide clear and consistent legislation that improves the public's knowledge of the Regulations and Halifax Water's ability to evenly apply the protective measures across the Designated *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area*. The proposed changes can be viewed online at halifaxwater.ca/LMWPWA.

Submission to Nova Scotia Environment & Climate Change

Once the final public engagement review phase is complete, Halifax Water will submit the proposed *Lake Major Watershed Protected Area Regulations* revisions to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change for review and approval.

Designated Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area

Lake Major is the primary drinking water supply for the Dartmouth region including the communities of Cherry Brook, East Preston, Lake Loon, North Preston and Westphal. The **Map on the back page** illustrates the Designated *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area*—outlined in red.

All lands and watercourses within the Designated *Protected Water Area* are subject to the *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area* Regulations, which Halifax Water is legally responsible to enforce.

Final Review Phase Public Engagement Opportunities

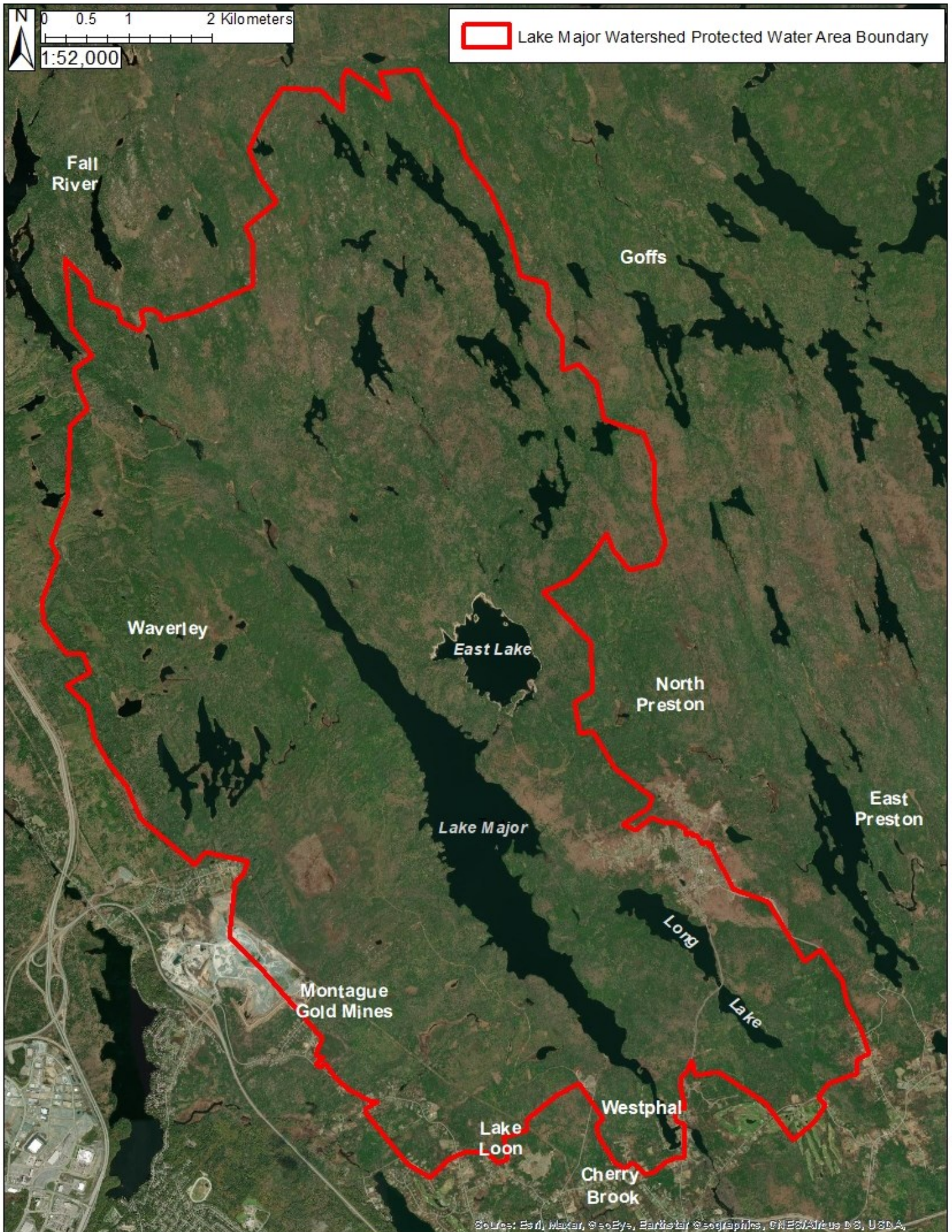
Location	Date	Time
Fairbanks Centre 54 Locks Rd., Dartmouth	Thursday April 27, 2023	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Online Session Register at: halifaxwater.ca/LMWPWA	Monday May 1, 2023	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
North Preston Community Centre 44 Simmonds Rd, North Preston	Wednesday May 3, 2023	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Current Regulations Still in Effect

Halifax Water reminds the public that the existing *Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area* Regulations are **still in effect** and will continue to be enforced. The current *Lake Major Watershed Protected Area* Regulations are found at <https://novascotia.ca/just/regulations/regs/envpwlmr.htm>.

Please report violations to Halifax Water at 902-420-9287 or the RCMP at 902-490-5020.

Designated Lake Major Watershed Protected Water Area



* This map is for informational purposes only and should not be used for legal engineering or surveying purposes.