

Do you have a home on Lake Shore Drive, Bailey Road or Remick Road that has an old, outdated septic system? Additional funds have become available for cost-sharing for septic system upgrades on properties whose septic systems may be impacting Province Lake's water quality. Septic system inspections in 2016 indicated that the water table in these neighborhoods is high enough that unraised septic systems are in likely failure.

The lesser of \$4,600 or 60% of the septic system upgrades will be awarded to four homeowners whose septic systems are found to be impacting the lake and who can complete the installation in 2018.

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If you think your property qualifies and are interested, or just want more information, please contact Linda Schier at (603) 473-2500 or info@AWwatersheds.org.