# The Value of Public Water in New Hampshire

New Hampshire has a well-developed network of public water systems ensuring clean and safe drinking water to its residents. These systems are crucial for public health, economic growth, and environmental sustainability.



## **Public Health and Safety**

**Clean Drinking Water:** Public water systems are rigorously tested and treated to meet safety standards set by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES).

**Disease Prevention:** Access to treated water reduces the incidence of waterborne diseases such as cholera, giardiasis, and cryptosporidiosis.

**Emergency Services:** Essential for firefighting and response.



### **Economic Benefits**

**Economic Growth:** Attracts businesses, supports local economies.

Property Value: Higher property values with public water access.

Job Creation: Jobs in operations, maintenance, engineering,

and administration.



## **Environmental Sustainability**

**Resource Management:** Promotes sustainable use and conservation.

**Environmental Protection:** Protects ecosystems from pollution and overuse.

Climate Resilience: Ensures water supply during extreme weather.



## **Community and Quality of Life**

**Equitable Access:** Safe water for all residents.

**Public Trust:** Transparent, community-focused operation.

**Recreation and Aesthetics:** Supports recreational activities and tourism.



#### Infrastructure and Innovation

**Upgrades:** Continued investment in water infrastructure ensures the reliability and efficiency of water services, reducing the risk of system failures and service interruptions.

**Technology:** Advanced water treatment and distribution.



### **Support and Advocacy**

**Get Involved:** Participate in local water initiatives.

**Stay Informed:** Educate yourself and others about water issues. **Advocate:** Support funding and policies for water infrastructure.





