

# Maine Lakes and Lake Stewards of Maine extend a special invitation to our lake association members and supporters to join us at the 2026 Lake Conference

Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> at the Wells Conference Center at the University of Maine at Orono

The conference theme this year is [Lake Resilience in the Face of Change](#). Speakers will focus on ways we can adapt our shorelines (and our behaviors) to meet future changes. From climate to land-use to funding to demographic change, how can we best protect our lakes and make them resilient for an uncertain future?

Conference highlights include a keynote address about climate change behavior by Keith Carson, former WCSH meteorologist and now the Director of Environmental and Science Communications at Maine Conservation Voters. Sabrina Koetter, a graduate student from the University of Vermont, will give a plenary address sharing insights from her research into how to engage lake volunteers. More information, including a slate of afternoon speakers, a link to registration, and much more, is on the conference website at [www.lakeconferencemaine.org](http://www.lakeconferencemaine.org)

*Registration at Early Bird Discount rates is open until May 1st with additional discounts for water quality, invasive plant patrol, and LakeSmart volunteers*

**Too far to travel?** Consider staying the night before (or the night after) at the Hotel Ursa right on campus. There is a block of rooms booked for Thursday June 11 at our special rate of \$139 for the night (option of 1 King-sized bed or 2 Queen-sized; discounted from regular rate of \$190). [Click here](#) to book a room. Hotel Ursa is located at 1 Moosehead Road, Orono, ME 04469. Deadline to reserve a room is May 20, 2026.

Questions? Email [lakeconferencemaine@gmail.com](mailto:lakeconferencemaine@gmail.com). We hope to see you there!

