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Downeast Lakes Landings

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New Method Could Help Effort to Restore Maine's Streams

Poorly designed culverts are blocking the passage of brook trout and other aquatic wildlife on thousands of streams across Maine. Restoring streams is a priority for Downeast Lakes Land Trust. Our latest project, just completed with support from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, has the potential to be a model for cost-effective restoration of aquatic habitat.

"This new concrete arch structure holds great promise to provide economic savings and long-term benefits over traditional corrugated metal crossing structures," said Scott Craig, project leader of the Maine Fishery Resource Office for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "The open arch design has proven to be the best choice to restore ecological stream processes that will greatly benefit our headwater brook trout populations."

Restoring free access to habitat is essential to protecting populations of wild brook trout. Maine has more than 80% of the remaining U.S. native stocks of brook trout, so local efforts are significant nationally. **Read More - and See a Video**

Wooden Skidder Bridge Construction Workshop

The Downeast Lakes Land Trust wishes to thank Keith Kanoti from Water Resources Forester of the Maine Forest Service (MFS) and Pat Sirois, Director of the Maine Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) of the Maine Forest Products Council for leading the Wooden Skidder Bridge Mat Workshop as well as financially supporting it.

“Our emphasis was on restoring the two stream crossings in the Rolfe Brooke Watershed,” said DLLT Executive Director, Mark Berry. **Read More**

Nature Journaling Class Unleashes Hidden Talents

DLLT Education and Communications Manager Tanya Rucosky led a nature journaling workshop on September 9th. “Nature journaling is an opportunity to experiment, make a mess, challenge yourself, and most importantly – scribble outside the lines,” said Rucosky.

“Journaling gives us permission to try new things. We have to break down the stylized forms we get comfortable with either in writing or drawing, get out of our own way, and teach ourselves to see what really IS.” **Read More**

Coming Events at the Downeast Lakes Land Trust

Foliage is turning, and it's another beautiful season in Grand Lake Stream.

Meet V. Paul Reynolds and **discuss his book Backtrack** this Thursday, Sept. 26th. Join us for a **paddle on Big Musquash Stream** this Sunday Sept. 29th as part of the Great Maine Outdoor Weekend. Stay until Monday for a **Nature Journaling hike** to Dawn Marie Beach.

Book discussions, a fall game feast, and more are coming this fall, with tipping and holiday wreath making not far away! **Click here for more information on upcoming events**.

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