

# Lakes Appreciation Month 2016

Enjoy and help your favorite lake in July!

July 1st - July 31st



## From fishing to your daily coffee,

lakes and reservoirs play a vital role in our daily lives. For over 20 years, **July** has been officially **Lakes Appreciation Month**. It is a time when many folks are vacationing and enjoying lakes, and NALMS wants people to give something back. Just think, what would your life be like without lakes?

**July** is a great time to set aside some time to celebrate and help your favorite waterbody. Here are some ideas: participate in a local Lake Appreciation event, do a shoreline cleanup, participate in the **Secchi Dip-In**, go to a new waterbody and explore, take kids fishing, go boating or canoeing, plant trees or restore shoreline habitat, use phosphorus-free lawn fertilizers, or simply take a few minutes to think about where your water comes from and what you can do to help protect it. There are many other ideas that can be found at [www.nalms.org](http://www.nalms.org) or [www.epa.gov/lakes](http://www.epa.gov/lakes).

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