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**Seabrook Station Continues Contributions to New Hampshire Estuaries Project**

FPL Energy Seabrook Station donated \$24,000 to the New Hampshire Estuaries Project (NHEP) to support the NHEP's activities to protect, enhance, and monitor the environmental quality of the state's estuaries over the next two years. This is the eighth year that Seabrook Station, located adjacent to the Hampton-Seabrook Estuary, has contributed to the Project.

The NHEP supports a number of environmental monitoring and stewardship activities in the state's coastal watershed, which encompasses 42 New Hampshire communities in Strafford and Rockingham counties. NHEP Director Jennifer Hunter notes that the financial contribution will be put to good use. "Seabrook Station's donation helps us implement our Management Plan for the state's estuaries, which calls for a variety of conservation, planning, and research activities that protect our valuable coastal water resources." Previous donations from Seabrook Station have contributed to on-the-ground projects to enhance shellfish populations in Hampton-Seabrook Harbor and improve opportunities for shellfish harvesting. "Seabrook Station's contributions enable more work to be done that benefits NH communities and the state's estuaries," notes Hunter.

The New Hampshire Estuaries Project is a program based at the University of New Hampshire. The collaborative program involves governmental agencies, researchers, non-profit organizations, businesses, and the public to protect, enhance, and monitor the environmental quality of the state's coastal bays and rivers. The NHEP Management Plan, project reports, and other resources are available at [www.nhep.unh.edu](http://www.nhep.unh.edu).

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