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Seabrook Station Makes Contribution to New Hampshire Estuaries Project

Recently, FPL Energy Seabrook Station donated \$12,000 to the New Hampshire Estuaries Project to support the Project's mission to protect, enhance, and monitor the environmental quality of the state's estuaries. This is the seventh year that Seabrook Station, located adjacent to the Hampton-Seabrook Estuary, has contributed to the Project.

The New Hampshire Estuaries Project (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 support conservation, planning, and research activities to protect our valuable coastal water resources." Hunter also says that the NHEP is funding some exciting research practically in the "backyard" of the power plant. "In 2005, the NHEP is funding research at Willows Flat on the Hampton River that is testing innovative ways to protect juvenile clams from predatory green crabs and evaluating the effectiveness of clam seeding to improve shellfish harvesting in Hampton-Seabrook Harbor."

The New Hampshire Estuaries Project is a collaborative program involving governmental agencies, universities, 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.nh.gov/nhep.

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