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## Welcome!

Congratulations to the proponents of the forty-six proposals submitted to LCHIP for funding in the 2021 grant round! Completing the application successfully is in itself an indication of a high level of dedication to the project.

The requests come from all ten counties of the state and include projects in two towns that have not previously benefitted from any LCHIP funding. The eleven natural resource proposals include farms, forests, rivers and brooks and recreational values. The thirty-five historic resource projects include meetinghouses, town halls, industrial sites, barns, and a site associated with a 19th century Black celebrity.

LCHIP Review Panel members and staff will be scheduling visits to the applicant sites over the next three months.

Enjoy summer while it is here!

Dijit Taylor  
Executive Director

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### *Protecting New Hampshire's Natural, Historic, and Cultural Resources*

## Slate Roof Longevity

### South Church, Portsmouth replaces early 19<sup>th</sup> century roof

At Portsmouth's 1826 South Church, LCHIP is helping to fund the replacement of a slate roof that has lasted almost two hundred years. Timely and appropriate repairs kept the roof in service until the early twenty-first century, when it began to show signs of reaching the end of its extended life expectancy. The building's stewards secured \$336,000 in LCHIP grants, which the Church is matching with moneys from a multi-year fundraising campaign, an investment fund, and a bank loan. With the new roof nearing completion, the building is well poised to enter its third century as a beautiful and historic landmark in downtown Portsmouth.



*Drone photo of South Church roof replacement in progress.  
Photo Credit: Tim Archer, ARM Consultants LLC.*

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## The Lakes Region Conservation Trust is peak bagging again!

### Mt. Pleasant's expansive view of the Lakes Region is protected

Knowing that people love trails that take them to great views of the lakes region, the [Lakes Region Conservation Trust](#) (LRCT) utilized a 2020 LCHIP award to acquire 126 acres on Mt. Pleasant in Tufonboro and Wolfeboro. Mt. Pleasant has long been a popular local hike but required hikers to cross private land and walk a heavily eroded woods road to reach the destination. The LRCT project has secured public pedestrian access and will include replacing the eroding road with a well-designed trail to the summit's 360° views of Lake Winnepesaukee and the Belknap and Ossipee Mountains. The property also includes remnants of an early settlement and the historic Mount Pleasant-Haley-Walker cemetery, believed to contain the grave of one of eight Revolutionary War soldiers buried in Tufonboro. For an aerial video of the property, click [here](#).



View from Mt. Pleasant. Photo Credit: Don Berry, LRCT.



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**Header photo:** Apples ready to be picked at [Carter Hill Orchard](#). The orchard, formerly known as [Sunnycrest Farm](#), was LCHIP's first ever project! A conservation easement on the property was completed on July 31, 2001.

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