

To: CT DEEP Environment Committee
RE: House Bill 5583 / Water Levels Bashan Lake East Haddam, CT
From: Linda Baccaro

As a property owner on Bashan Lake in East Haddam, I am in full support of House Bill 5583.

I have personally seen spring rains bring the level of the lake up to homes and cause not only damage to water front property, but cause massive erosion to the lake.

Giving The Bashan Lake Association and Town of East Haddam the flexibility to say when and how much the water will be drawn down is critical to prevent damage to walls and as I have stated above erosion to the lake.

A draw down is also critical to help in weed control. If the weeds are not in control, you will loose all access to the state boat launch, and access to recreation areas. This will cause a safety issue for swimmers, and a potential for hazardous boating

Thank you

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