



## Washington State

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A message to those who missed our last annual conference:

We missed you at WALPA's 2005 conference in Spokane, Washington, which dealt with a wide variety of current issues for lakes in the state.

Please continue your support of WALPA by completing the membership form on our website and sending it, along with your check, to WALPA at P.O. Box 4245, Seattle, WA 98104. If you don't have access to the Internet, please send your name, lake affiliation (or company name), address, phone number and email address to us. Fees are: \$15 students, \$20 individuals, \$30 professionals, and \$40 organizations. Let us know if you want to receive the *Waterline* via postal mail or email.

WALPA membership offers a number of benefits:

- WALPA's quarterly newsletter, *Waterline*, is either mailed to you or sent to your email account as a pdf. It includes informative articles about lakes: aquatic plants and noxious weeds; grants and loans opportunities; fisheries; lake monitoring programs; WALPA Board projects; WALPA conference information; lake trends; and more.
- WALPA members offer a common voice to agencies and legislators to support programs and funding for lakes issues. The Washington legislature began to consider increased lake funding during the last session, and it is likely to come up again next year.
- WALPA's website offers further information about lakes at [www.nalms.org/walpa](http://www.nalms.org/walpa).

Washington has more than 5,000 lakes. Many are impacted by human activities, and all require care. We seek your membership to help with this mission.

We are currently working on plans to hold a regional conference in 2006, in conjunction with Idaho and Oregon, to identify regional concerns and to work on coordinating our efforts to keep lakes as healthy environments. We are hoping that you will be interested in participating in this effort.

Thank you,

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