



We love our dogs! But dog waste carries harmful bacteria that can make our waters unsafe for drinking or swimming. So always pick it up and throw it in the trash!



Take the Pledge to Scoop the Poop! Visit stateofourestuaries.org/everydrop/petpledge or scan the QR code to go straight to the page and let your town know that you're doing your part by scooping the poop!

Many NH towns have over 1,000 dogs living in them, and each dog "goes" once or twice a day. That's a lot of poop! Not only is it gross when it's left around, but it can be dangerous.

Harmful bacteria and parasites - such as Giardia or Salmonella - that lives in pet waste, can come in contact with other people and pets or wash into nearby waterways or storm drains.

Picking up our dog's waste and throwing it out properly is a small change that can make a big difference in keeping our waters clean.

## Five Small Changes that Make a Big Difference:

- 1. Always carry a plastic bag when you walk your dog.
- 2. Always pick up that poop.
- 3. Always dispose of it in a trashcan.
- 4. Never put bagged or unbagged waste in a storm drain.
- 5. Take the Pledge to tell your town you're making a difference!