



ROAD SALT WOES: FROM LAKE GEORGE TO ADIRONDACK TASK FORCE

Black River Watershed Conference

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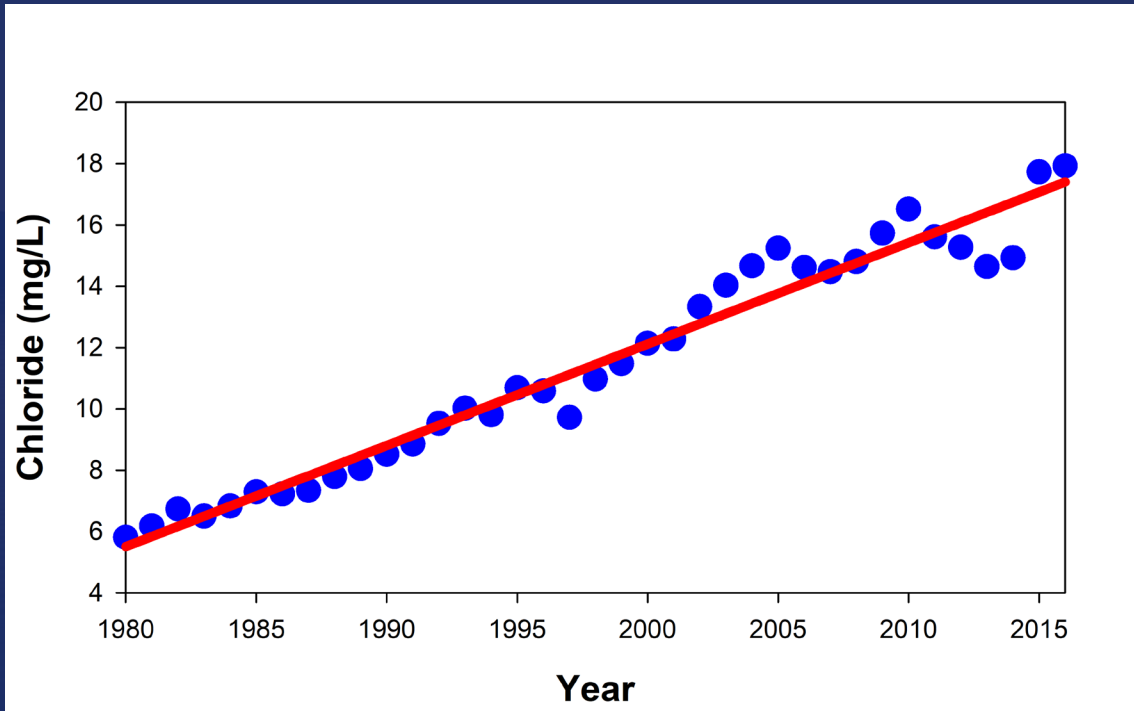


Agenda

- Introduction
- Science
- LGRSRI
- ARSRTF
- Take aways



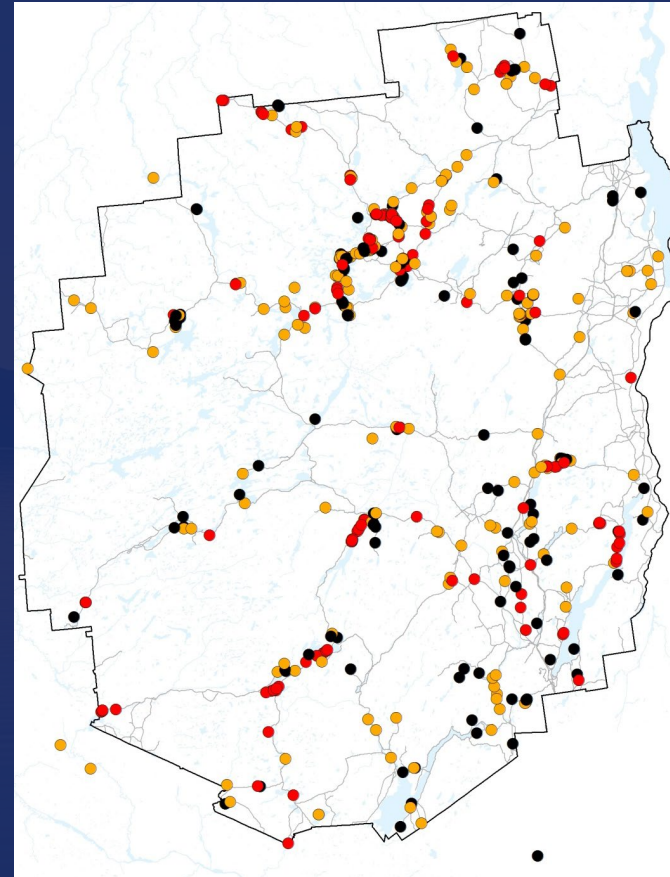
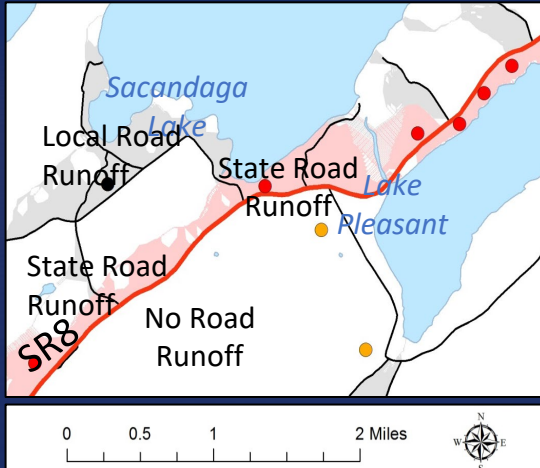
Road Salt – Science



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529 private wells

- 213 no road runoff = None
- 143 local road runoff = Local
- 173 state road runoff = State



Road Salt – Science

Sodium

Parameter	None	Local	State
Median (ppm)	3	6	33
Maximum (ppm)	17	403	1,917
Exceed Guidance ¹	0%	20%	64%

¹20ppm

Chloride

Parameter	None	Local	State
Median (ppm)	1	8	100
Maximum (ppm)	64	390	1,680
Exceed Guidance ²	0%	3%	29%

²250ppm

Road Salt – Lake George Initiative

- Science to Solutions approach
- Work with Industry Experts
- Public and Private Issue
- Model for Protection - Partnership, Innovation and Investment



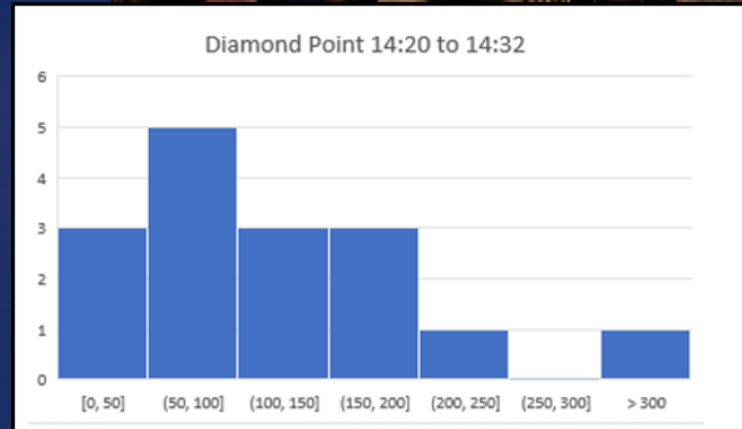
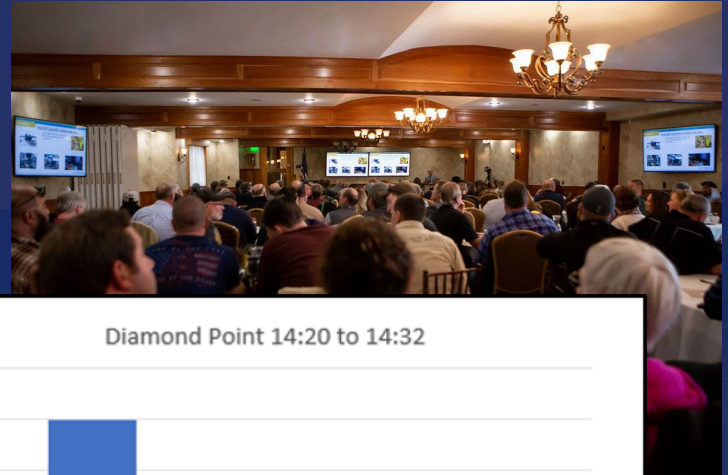
Lake George Initiative - Partnership

- S.A.V.E. Lake George Partnership
- Science-based
- Basin-wide commitment



Lake George Initiative - Innovation

- Best Practice Agreement
- Annual Salt Summit
- Data-based Standard Operating Procedures



Lake George Initiative - Investment

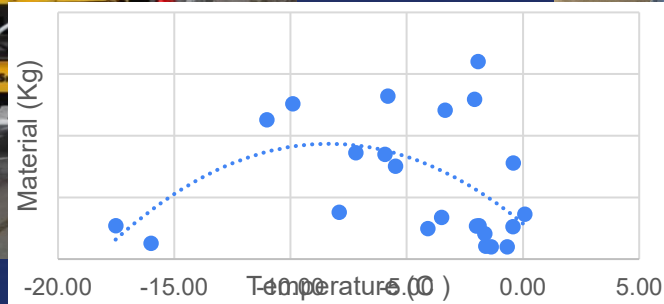
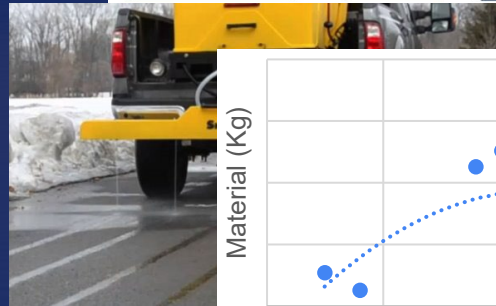
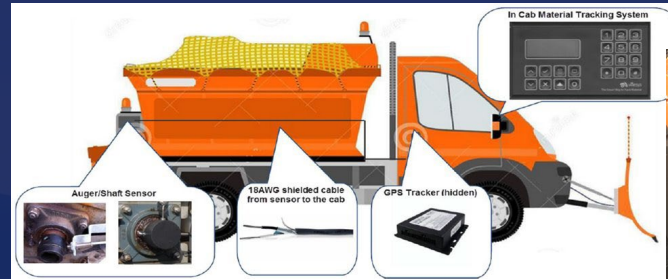
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- Techniques and Equipment
- Education and Training



Lake George Initiative – Results

BEST PRACTICES

- Measure
- Calibrate
- Prevent
- Analyze
- Improve
- Optimize



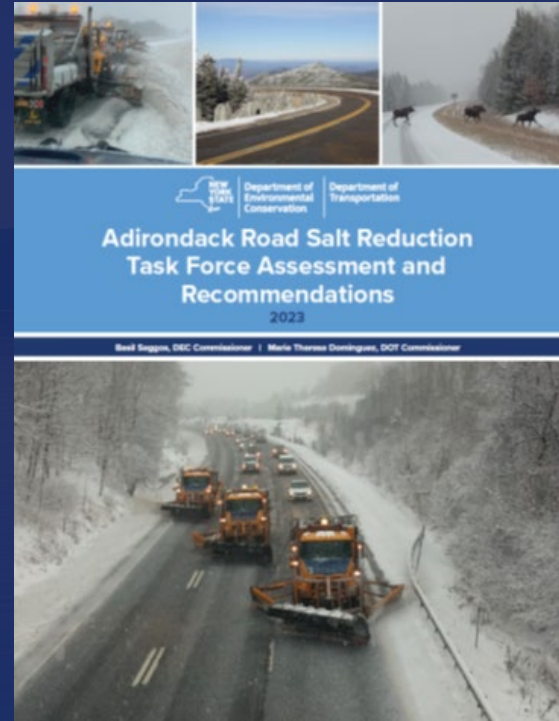
Adirondack Road Salt Reduction Task Force

- SAVE Lake George Partnership
- Adirondack Road Salt Working Group
- NYSDOT Pilot Programs – Rt 86 (Wilmington) & Rt 9N (Lake George)
- Randy Preston Road Salt Reduction Act - 2020



Adirondack Road Salt Reduction Task Force

- Road Salt Reduction Targets
- Best Management Practices
- Training Programs
- Funding
- Transparency and Outreach
- Pilot Projects



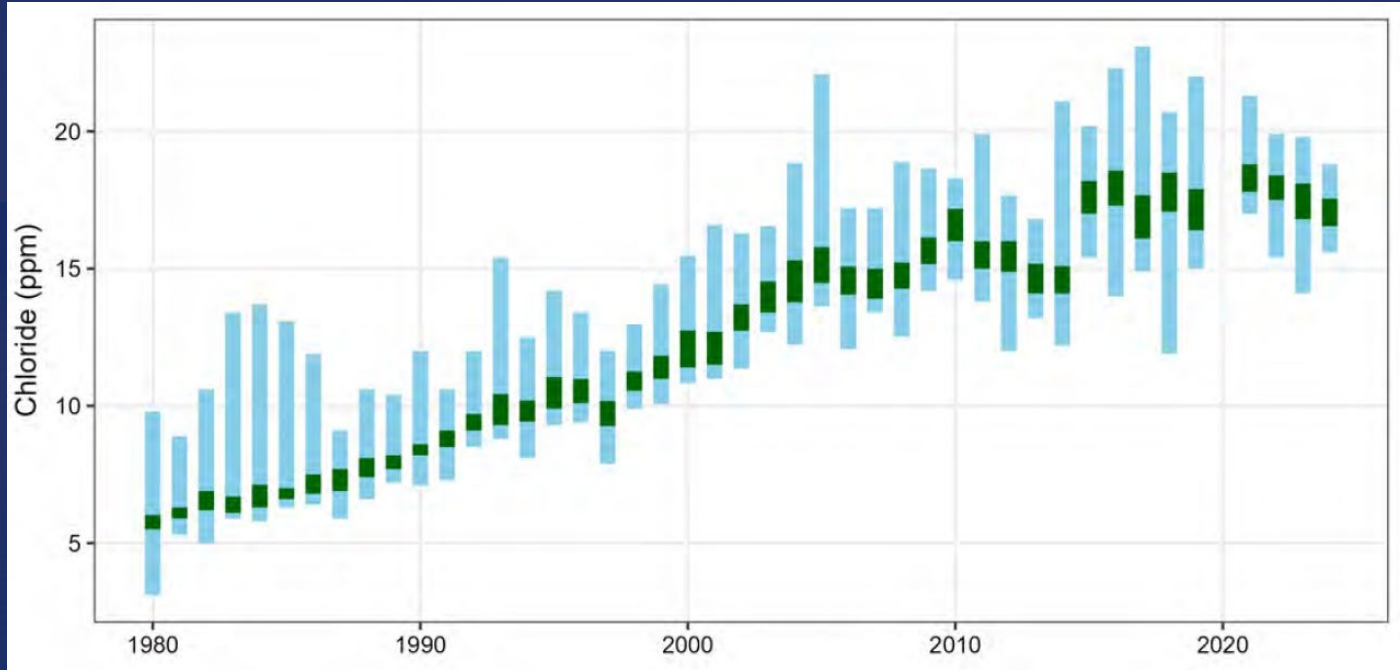
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SWiM™ CERTIFIED PROGRAMS

- Town of Lake George
- Town of Hague
- Warren County
- Washington County

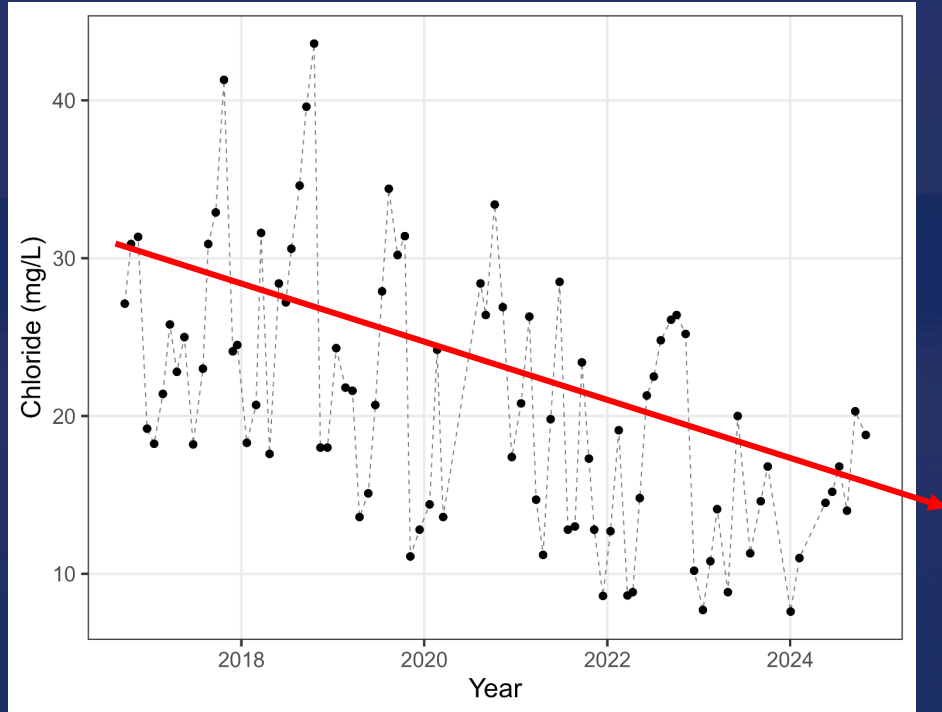


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- Town of Hague Road Salt Reduction partners since 2016
- 50% reduction in Town use of road salt
- 40% reduction in Hague Brook chloride since 2016 – data from Jefferson Project



Lake George Initiative – Takeaways

- LGA has produced a Model for Protection through Partnership, Innovation and Investment.
- Operators can change culture of use and become spokesmen
- Water quality improvements are possible but takes time
- Need more progress from NYSDOT



Things to Remember



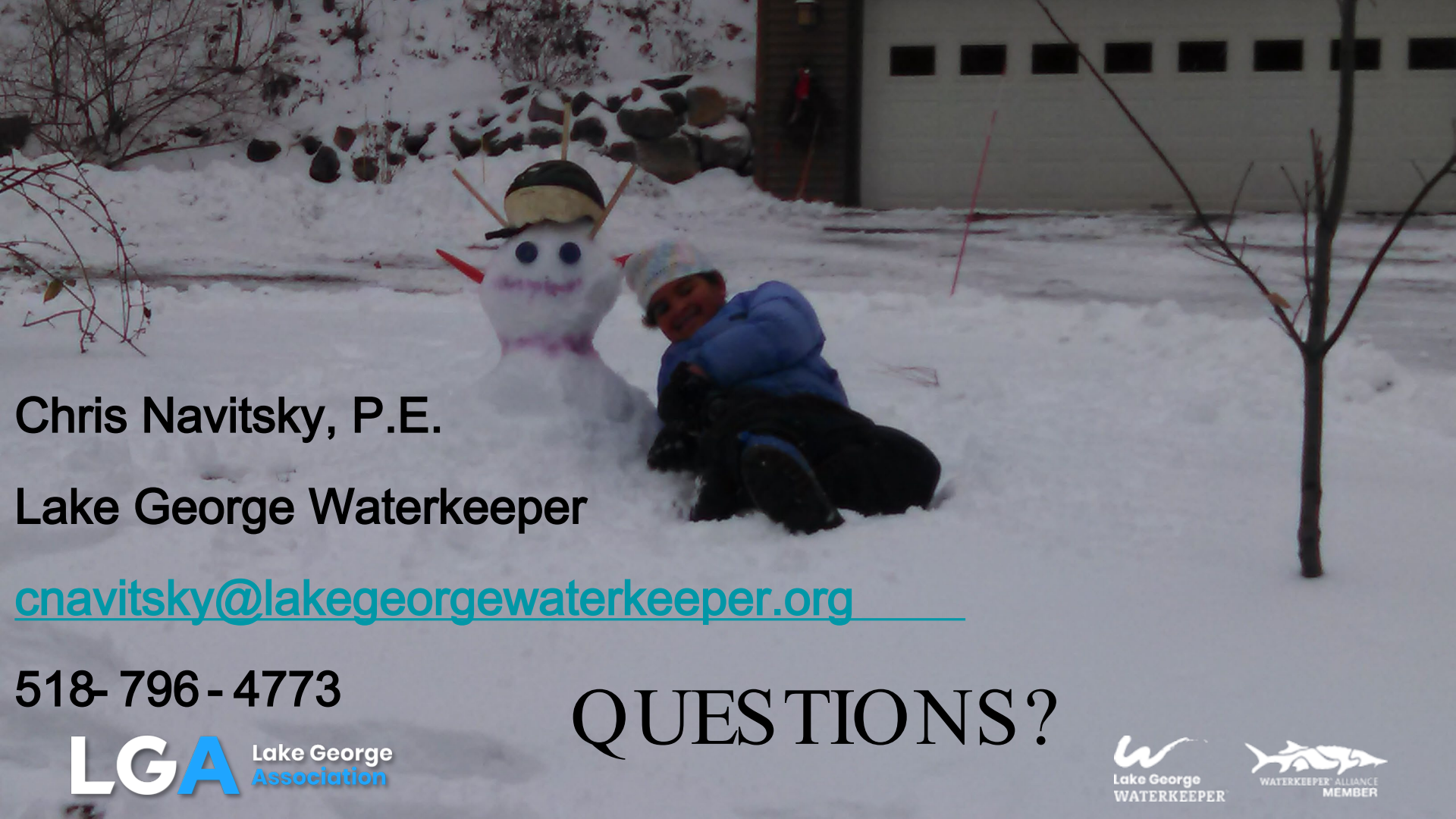
**Support the
Road Salt Right
to Know Act!**

- Road Salt Right to Know Act –
Action Alert



**Register for the
NYS Salt Summit:
Oct 8, 2026**

- New York State Salt Summit –
Desmond Hotel Albany
October 8, 2026



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QUESTIONS?

