

# EPA Targets Nitrogen Reduction in Five Eastern States

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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has warned five states that they aren't doing enough to reduce nitrogen in Long Island Sound. EPA proposed new strategies to reduce nitrogen in a letter to officials in New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Vermont and New Hampshire. Besides continuing to upgrade wastewater treatment plants, EPA said nitrogen targets for each state would help reduce the amount of nitrogen reaching the Sound from other sources such as storm drains, septic systems and lawn fertilizers.