

# EXTRA! EXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT!

## Lake Erie Goes On a Low Salt Diet

Too much salt in anyone's diet is bad for their health. That includes Lake Erie. After all that talk of harmful algal blooms this past summer, we need to consider what we put into the lake. Stormwater flows directly to Lake Erie, untreated. That means anything we put on the ground will end up in Lake Erie after the snow melts. Follow the steps below to keep excess salt from the Lake's Diet:

### Shovel Snow and Chip Away Ice



Susan Bell/Lake County Health Department

**Before** applying any salt, shovel away as much snow as possible and chip away ice.



Michael Fink/Special Effects

### Minimize Salt Usage

Use as little salt as possible. Only use what is necessary and do not overdo it. Consider using salt alternatives.

**See website for more info**

### Sweep Up Excess Salt

**Sweep up** any salt left over on the cement after the storm event.



Kristen Fink/Lake County Health Department

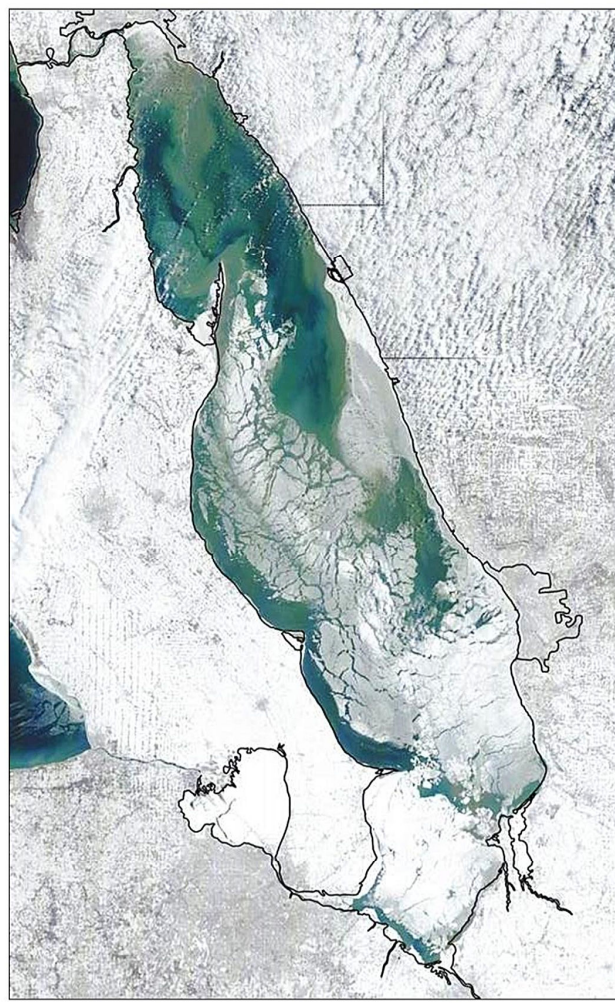
## Member Communities

We welcome our two new communities, designated with an asterisk (\*). Thanks for helping us keep stormwater clean in Lake County!

Concord Twp.  
Eastlake\*  
Fairport Harbor  
Grand River  
Kirtland  
Kirtland Hills  
Lakeline  
Madison Twp.  
Madison Village  
Mentor on the Lake  
Painesville  
Painesville Twp.  
Perry Village  
Timberlake  
Willoughby\*  
Willoughby Hills  
Willowick

## Salt Impacts Lake Erie

**A**ccumulated salt can contaminate our waterways and is harmful to aquatic plants. Will the rise in salt effect our freshwater fish?



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