

You are part of a lake community

Even if you don't live right on the lake, runoff from your property still drains into the lake. Simple changes on your property can reduce pollution to the lake.



Properties in the white area on this example map are uphill and drain into the lake. Properties on the green area slope away from this lake and drain to other lakes or streams.

For more information about how you can make a difference join the Newman Lake **LakeCare**Ok'd program. Visit:

www.newmanlakewa.com



Toxic algae blooms can make lake water unsafe for people and pets.







With help from Snohomish County, WA





Clear choices for a healthy lake



Your lake is in trouble!



Your lake is suffering from too much phosphorous, which can cause:

- Excessive algae
- Toxic Algae bloom
- Reduced water clarity
- Stress on fish
- Reduced property values

LakeCare OK'd

How you can help the lake:

Take the actions outlined in this brochure and visit www.newmanlakewa.com for more information on the LakeCare OK'd program

Make "Clear Choices" for Healthy Lakes

By making the clear choices below, you can improve the health of your lake and help increase its usability for yourself and others. For more ideas to help improve the lake visit www.newmanlakewa.com

Lawns & Yards

- ◆ Avoid fertilizer or use phosphorus free products ("0" in the middle of the label)
- Divert roof and driveway runoff to stable, vegetated areas
- Fix eroding areas and cover bare soil with mulch or plants
- Scoop pet waste, bag it and place it in the trash



Septic Systems

Schedule routine inspections with a certified professional at least every 3 years



Shorelines

- Re-establish shoreline vegetation by replacing some lawn with other plants such as shrubs, perennials, and trees
- Maintain existing natural shorelines

Phosphorous pollution comes from:









