



**In Vermont, we're surrounded by water – ponds, mountain streams, rivers, and lakes. But does that mean there will always be enough for everyone? If there is enough, will it be clean?**

We don't think much about where our water comes from, but most of it lies deep within the ground. Groundwater provides more than two thirds of Vermont's drinking water, nurtures farm fields and animals, and replenishes water bodies like Lake Champlain.

In other parts of the country, groundwater is becoming scarce and contaminated. The reality is that even with all the water we see around us, these things are happening in Vermont, too. Because groundwater is a public resource, it's up to all of us to learn more about what we can actively do to keep our water supply clean, plentiful, and accessible.

**WATER: KEEP IT PURE, KEEP IT PUBLIC**

To help do this, the Vermont Natural Resources Council, the Community Sailing Center, and the Peace and Justice Center have teamed up to present programs, experts, resources, and information that can help members of the community safeguard and enhance Vermont's most treasured natural resource – our water.

**Join us for an evening with author, activist, and U.N. Special Advisor on Water, Maude Barlow**

Water security and water purity remain pressing social and environmental issues – globally and in Vermont. Come learn more about the issues and how we can protect this life-sustaining resource from one of the world's leading water experts, Maude Barlow.

**July 29, 2010 Reception: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Discussion: 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
Main Street Landing Film House and Lake Lobby 60 Lake Street, Burlington**

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres from the Skinny Pancake, a cash bar, the chance to win raffle prizes – and the opportunity to learn more about this crucial issue.

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