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County	Full Time/Part Time	Member Status	Greatest Benefit
Warren	Full Time	Member	A large enough body that our issues are listened to, and communication of lake happenings and lake concerns
Warren	Full Time	Member	A unified group to look out for the interests of residents of the lake
Warren	Part Time	Member	a united voice for concerns of the members
Northampton	Full Time	Member	access to information; your influence with officials.
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Alerts and updates on lake happenings, water levels, etc
Mecklenburg	Part Time	Member	Awareness and advocacy.
Mecklenburg	Part Time	Non-Member	Awareness of issues.
Halifax	Full Time	Member	awareness, information
Warren	(select one)	Member	being a part of a body of people that wants the best for the lake and the people who live there
Warren	Part Time	Member	Being a part time resident this is the only way I can influence the local issues.
Halifax	(select one)	Member	Being an advocate for the property owners and keeping the lake safe and clean.
Warren	Full Time	Member	Being aware of change
Warren	Part Time	Member	Being aware of lake area issues.
Warren	Full Time	Member	Being aware of lake issues.
Brunswick	Full Time	Member	Being informed of all activities affecting our lake; knowing about the opportunities to participate in events supporting the lake; having an informed voice to represent us!!
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Being informed of matters that effect the lake area.
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Being informed.
Warren	Part Time	Non-Member	Being kept abreast of the issues affecting home ownership at the lake, and issues affecting the community
Warren	Full Time	Member	Being kept abreast of things that impact our community

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Warren	Part Time	Member	Being kept abreast of what is going on in the Lake Gaston Communities.
Mecklenburg	Part Time	Member	Being kept apprised of LKG issues
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Being kept apprised of all items concerning the lake
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Being kept aware of what is going on on the lake
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Being kept informed
Warren	Part Time	Member	Being kept informed of issues that affect the Lake.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	Being kept informed of Lake information.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Being kept informed of what is going on around the lake.
Warren	Full Time	Member	Being kept up to date about what is going on around the lake
Warren	Full Time	Member	Being made aware of current events/issues on the lake.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Being on the email distribution and getting regular communication, especially since we are just part-time residents. Also the power of "one voice" is very strong.
Halifax	Part Time	(select one)	Being updated on what goes on at the lake since we are not here except some weekends.
Northampton	Full Time	Member	benefit in numbers
Warren	Part Time	Member	Communication
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Communication
Northampton	Part Time	Member	communication
Warren	Part Time	Member	communication
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Communication & numbers count
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	communication and information of activities/concerns/ lake issues.

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Warren	Part Time	Member	Communication of lake activities, events and concerns
Warren	Part Time	Member	communication of Lake related news and issues
Warren	Full Time	Member	Communication of local government actions.
Mecklenburg	Part Time	Member	Communication of water levels, issues, activities, newsletter.
Brunswick	Full Time	Member	communication on activities and problems around the lake Strength of the LGA organization
Northampton	Part Time	Member	communication, influence in local and state govt
Brunswick	(select one)	Member	Communications
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Communications about lake issues and actions.
Warren	Part Time	Member	Communications via newsletter and emails.
Warren	Part Time	Member	Community Action
Brunswick	Full Time	Member	community awareness and education
Halifax	Full Time	Member	constant communication on lake conditions & issues
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Continual awareness of goings on at Lake Gaston, and environmental, political issues of concern to LG residents.
Warren	Part Time	Member	Continuing watch on overall lake conditions and reporting on county actions concerning the lake
Northampton	Full Time	Member	contributing as a united group for a common cause to look after LG
Warren	Full Time	Member	coordinated community voice
Warren	Part Time	Member	Cummunication
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Feedback to government from Landowners
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Getting the newsletter and feedback of whats going on as well as being alerted to problems.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Getting up to date information about the lake and surrounding areas.
Warren	Part Time	Non-Member	Good info out to everyone
Warren	Full Time	Member	Group voice especially with local governments

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Northampton	Full Time	Member	Having ear to problems
Warren	Full Time	Member	Having representation with the states on issues of quality of water and safety on the lake. I do think we want to do more on promoting the lake as both a retirement area as well as vacation spot.
Halifax	Full Time	Member	Hearing of local issues and the strength of influence of the combined membership
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Help influence things that will affect the overall quality of lake life and utilization.
Brunswick	Full Time	Member	Hydrilla & keeping lake clean
Northampton	Part Time	Member	I like getting info on concerns at the lake.
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	I like getting the monthly updates since we are not there all the time
Warren	Full Time	Member	Increased awareness of Lake Gaston issues.
Mecklenburg	Part Time	Member	Influence at county level
Brunswick	(select one)	Member	Info
Halifax	(select one)	Member	Info + Communication
Warren	Part Time	Member	info received
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Information
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Information
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information
Warren	Full Time	Non-Member	Information
Halifax	(select one)	Member	information
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Information
Warren	Part Time	Member	information
Warren	Part Time	Former Member	Information
Warren	Full Time	Member	Information about all things concerning the lake sent to the membership in timely manner.
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Information about Lake Issues!
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information about life at the lake.

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Mecklenburg/Warren	Full Time	Member	Information affecting the quality of water at the lake; levels; inter-basin transfer; anything that can be done to protect the value of my property.
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information and updates on activities concerning the lake and region as well as a voice on critical issues
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information being passed about what is going on etc. Not being a year round resident makes it hard to stay up on what is going on.
Mecklenburg/Warren	Part Time	Member	Information dissemination.
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Information flow
Mecklenburg	Part Time	(select one)	Information for me and help with legislation which benefits the area
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information of the lake levels
Warren	Part Time	Member	Information provided. Lobbying efforts. Potential to mobilize political action.
Warren	Full Time	Member	Information received
Brunswick	Full Time	Member	Information that owners can use to help our precious lake.
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Information.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	informational e-mails
Warren	Full Time	Non-Member	Just moved here
Warren	Full Time	Member	KEEP MEMBERS AWARE OF WHAT IS GOING ON AROUND THE LAKE.
Brunswick	Full Time	Member	Keeping informed
Northampton	Part Time	Member	keeping informed
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Keeping informed = having a voice
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Keeping informed of current events, water levels, etc. around the lake.
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Keeping informed on lake issues.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	Keeping us informed
Warren	Full Time	Member	keeping us with the lake quality
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Kept informed of all the issues around the lake.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Kept up-to-date about ongoings of the area.

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Warren	Full Time	Member	Knowing that our interests as property owners on the lake are being represented and having access to important information about issues which might affect us.
Northampton/Warren	Full Time	Member	KNOWING THAT THE LGA IS BEING THE WATCHFUL EYE OF LAKE GASTON.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Knowledge of what is going on
Warren	Full Time	Member	Lake level warnings
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	Learning about issues that impact quality of life and home ownership/protection in the area. Meeting other Lake Gaston residents and sharing information.
Warren	Part Time	Member	Learning what is going on at the lake.
Halifax	Part Time	Member	LGA keeps me informed about what is going on around the lake.
Halifax	Full Time	Member	LGA keeps us updated on the lake and what is going on that impacts all of us.
Warren	Part Time	Member	LGA provides our eyes and ears about events/challenges/day-to-day life affecting lake.
Warren	Full Time	Member	LGA seems to keep its finger in every pie on the lake and talks to the Counties in VA and NC
Warren	Full Time	Member	LGA's positive influence on county issues
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Local information.
Halifax	Full Time	Member	Membership helps contribute to lake management and gives us needed information.
Mecklenburg	(select one)	Member	Networking
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	News about water levels and weed control
Northampton	Full Time	Member	news letter
Warren	Part Time	Member	News, weed control, maintain water quality.
Warren	(select one)	Member	newsletter + community activities
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Newsletter to stay informed
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Newsletter updates and willingness to tackle various issues. I want to preserve the integrity the nature of our lake for as long as possible.
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	newsletters and email notices
Brunswick/Mecklenburg	Full Time	Non-Member	Not sure

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Northampton	Part Time	Member	One voice on important issues
Warren	Part Time	Member	organization work together
n/a	Part Time	Member	Political strength
n/a	Part Time	Member	political voice
n/a	Part Time	Non-Member	promoting Lake Gaston
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Provides a common lakewide citizens association dedicated to lake matters and subject.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	Receiving all info of the area and lake and everything that is happening.
Warren	Part Time	Member	Receiving info
Warren	Part Time	Member	Representation
Northampton	Full Time	Member	Representation
Warren	Full Time	Member	representation on lake issuesim
Warren	Part Time	Member	Representation with local and state governments.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	representation/communication
Warren	Part Time	Former Member	representing our interests and concerns
Warren	Full Time	Member	Sharing local problems and interests
Halifax	Full Time	Member	Source of information and advocacy
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Status and supporting the health of the Lake and the community.
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n/a	(select one)	Member	Staying current and informed of issues on the Lake.
Mecklenburg	Part Time	Member	staying informed
Warren	Part Time	Member	Staying informed on like issues
Halifax	Full Time	Non-Member	strength
Warren	Part Time	Member	strength in numbers
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Strength in numbers
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	strength in numbers
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Success in numbers
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Supporting and shepherding the quality of life for all the guests and residents and users
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Supporting local initiatives related to the lake.
n/a	Part Time	Member	Supporting the good work that LGA does.

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Warren	Part Time	Non-Member	The communications, community involvement, and influence on governing bodies.
Warren	Full Time	Member	The fact that we are informed immediately on water levels. As a full time resident I would like the LGA to start petitioning the counties for a reduction in property taxes for full timers. Most of us are on fixed incomes. You want to shop local but lets face it, shopping local is expensive! A lot of my friends make a once monthly trip to Raleigh to go to Costco or Sams clubs and order other needs on line. I shop local as often as possible. The nurseries around here have gone up in price at least 100%.....getting your grass cut and lawn maintained is out of sight (we do our own). When we moved here 15 yrs ago, we calculated out income and what the out put would be and thought this would be a wonderful place for retirement. Warren counties taxes had been quite good for many years. First the tax hike and then recession. We would never be able to sell our home for what it is taxed at.....no home in this subdivision that has sold in the last 10 yrs as come anywhere near selling for what it is taxed at. Is this fair? And we know that when house are revalued and they go down, Warren will raise the tax rate.....they have continued to spend regardless of the recession. Just look how much their budget has increased and look at how much the lake (which pays about 82% of the taxes) gets in return. Our community, paves our own roads, our fire dept is Ebony, we have our own water, and I have seen a Warren co. police officer 1 time.....and yet we pay over \$5000. a yr in taxes. Mind blowing.
Warren	Part Time	Member	The good of lake & property
Northampton	Full Time	Member	the information I receive about the lake and area.
Warren	Full Time	Member	the information we receive

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Halifax	Full Time	Member	The LGA disseminates valuable information to its membership.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	The LGAs concern for the environment and well being of the lake and its residents.
Mecklenburg	Full Time	Member	The newsletter is very helpful. We are not able to attend meetings.
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Warren	Full Time	Member	The strength of the membership allows the LGA to be able to influence decisions related to environmental and quality of life issues could affect us.
Warren	Full Time	Member	The voice of the Lake on issues and events that impact our lives and property values.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	The voice of the Membership
Halifax	Part Time	Member	There is strength in numbers.
Warren	Part Time	Member	To learn about issues involving the lake and the surrounding area.
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Unified voice for property owners
Warren	Full Time	Member	Unified voice on Lake Issues to Local, State & Federal Governing Bodies
Halifax	Full Time	Member	united voice
Brunswick	Part Time	Member	Up to date information.
Halifax	Part Time	Member	update on weed control
Northampton	Part Time	Member	Voice on issues
Warren	Part Time	Member	Voice with Legislature and law makers - local and state
Warren	Part Time	Member	Voice.
	Full Time	Member	Weed Control
Warren	Full Time	Member	Weed control and safety
Warren	Full Time	Member	Weed control and safety alerts
Halifax	Part Time	Member	Weed control...dispense information