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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**NEW HAMPSHIRE IS OPEN FOR BUSINESS FOR
THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY WEEKEND**

Travel Tips and Information on Events, Attractions, Lodging at www.VisitNH.gov

Concord, New Hampshire, September 1st, 2011 – As Labor Day weekend marks the unofficial end of summer and the beginning of Fall, New Hampshire businesses and attractions are looking forward to hosting visitors for the long Labor Day holiday weekend.

“New Hampshire is a popular destination on Labor Day weekend, being our second busiest holiday weekend, following July 4th,” said Lori Harnois, Director of the Division of Travel and Tourism Development (DTTD). “For many, it will be the last weekend to go swimming and boating for the year, and we expect that many visitors will head to the seacoast to enjoy a day at the ocean, or to the lakes region to enjoy some boating and relaxing on one of our many lakes,”

New Hampshire is also popular with visitors looking to hike and camp. New Hampshire State Parks are all open with the exception of Crawford Notch State Park. In the White Mountain National Forest, Supervisor Tom Wagner is encouraging visitors to plan ahead before heading out into the forest.

“Hikers and campers should visit our website, www.fs.fed.us/r9/white, before heading out to check on the status of trails and campgrounds.”

Families can enjoy the many attractions and events that are located throughout the state, especially those that are taking place this weekend, including the Hopkinton and Lancaster State Fairs.

“As the summer growing season is at its peak, [farmer markets](#) and most [pick-your-own farms](#) are also open this weekend,” said Harnois. “There are plenty of family activities including attractions and events happening throughout the state this weekend, so check visitnh.gov for a complete listing.”

Find travel tips, lodging properties, attractions, and other information to plan a visit to New Hampshire at visitnh.gov.

The Labor Day Weekend is also the last chance to enter the New Hampshire Dream Vacation Photo Contest. Download a contest sign from www.NHDreamVacation.com and start taking pictures and videos around New Hampshire and enter for your chance at either a \$2,500 or \$1,000 dream vacation in New Hampshire.

ABOUT THE DIVISION OF TRAVEL AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

The Division of Travel and Tourism Development, as part of the New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development, works with the state's seven travel regions to increase visitation, travel and visitor expenditures in order to expand business activity and employment throughout the state. The division is responsible for domestic and international advertising and public relations, literature publication and distribution, www.visitnh.gov administration, grant administration and research to monitor and measure the impact of travel and tourism to the state. For more information about New Hampshire tourism, call 603-271-2665 or visit www.visitnh.gov

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