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By Larry Mead, Town Manager, Kennebunkport

The Town learned this morning that the Superior Court has ruled in favor of the Town's claims for public recreational use of Goose Rocks Beach.

This is a great victory for the residents of Kennebunkport and the Goose Rocks community. The decision is an affirmation that people have for generations shared this unique natural resource as a community and have done so without the need to separate owners from others. The beach has been enjoyed by all and, with this decision, will continue to be enjoyed by future generations of residents and visitors. The Board of Selectmen is grateful to the hundreds of community residents who provided evidence and testimonials in support of public recreational use. Recognition is also due to the Town's voters for authorizing the substantial expenditure of their tax dollars to defend the public's right of access. Finally, the Town's attorneys at Drummond Woodsum deserve recognition for their outstanding work on behalf of the Town.