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Taco Bay now open in downtown Laconia

2nd location will operate 7 days on Beacon Street East

By Katlyn Proctor
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LACONIA — The Old Soda Shoppe storefront downtown is vacant no more with the opening of Taco Bay on Monday, an Alton-based restaurant that's expanded its imprint to the City on the Lakes.

Located at 30 Beacon St. E., Taco Bay, with its vibrant yellow and teal decor, is bright and welcoming with a large dining space and service counter. Red stools dot the room, and around the corner is a small bar boasting marquee lighting and a fun atmosphere.

For taco and margarita lovers, the restaurant is a welcome sight.

Menu items include tacos, quesadillas and burritos, including owner and chef Evan Vogel's favorite: The buffalo chicken taco, complete with blackened pulled chicken, buffalo sauce, sour cream and topped with fried onions and scallions.

A pork belly taco is another featured menu item, and includes braised pork belly, cilantro, pickled radish and carrots, topped with a

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Taco Bay has expanded into Laconia, with the new Beacon Street East location opening Monday. Open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days, the restaurant will offer tacos, burritos, quesadillas and nachos, along with a full bar. (Katlyn Proctor/The Laconia Daily Sun photo)

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Environmentalists OK with winter road salt, just recommend less

By Gabriel Perry
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MOULTONBOROUGH — Road salt isn't going anywhere, but the approach to clearing roads in winter may be changing.

The Lake Winnipesaukee Alliance and the Moultonborough Conservation Commission brought together experts on road salt use through the winter from both the public and private sectors Thursday evening, for a presentation on the topic. Perhaps most importantly, numerous contractors attended the event at the Moultonborough Public Library.

Eric Siy, executive director of LWA, started his role in September. He described the presenters as "the A team."

"It's going to take a lake, it's going to take a village to address this issue," Siy said.

"We are using too much salt on our roads," Siy said. "Salt is incredibly destructive, I don't think I need to tell any of you that, in terms of what it does to vehicles, infrastructure, etc. But what it does to water, what it's doing to the lake, what it does to drinking water — you're going to hear about that, as well. And what it does to our personal health — if

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