

Windemere Lake and Landowners Association

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“If you want information, just open a window”

Spring 2015

2015 Aquatic Invasive Species Program

In the Fall issue of the Window we provided an update on the Pine County's efforts to combat aquatic invasive species (AIS) in 2014. The program is funded by the state of Minnesota. Pine County has worked cooperatively with lake associations and other interested parties to develop the plan for this year. The two areas of highest concern for the county are the areas of Eurasian Water Milfoil and Curly Leaf Pond Weed already in county lakes and working to prevent Zebra Mussel infestations in county lakes. The following items are in plan:

1. Supporting lake associations in eradicating EWM and Curly Leaf Pond Weed.
2. Support the St Croix River Association in developing a plan in the river watershed to address AIS threats.
3. Develop an early detection and rapid response program for Zebra Mussels.
4. Provide watercraft inspectors at high traffic boat landings.
5. Purchase a Decontamination Unit for watercraft inspectors.
6. Participate in the Pokegama Lake Association Freshwater Fair and/or Pine County fair.
7. Collect information about providing AIS signage at private boat landings.

Included in item #1 is \$25,000. to be provided to our lake association to cover costs of the treatment this summer. Our plan is to treat all the infested areas identified by the DNR in our permit. Property owners who have onshore areas that are infested and do not wish to have EWM treated will be able to opt out.

A complete copy of the 2015 Plan submitted by Pine County can be found at:

<http://minnesotawaters.org/windemerelakes/wp-content/uploads/sites/110/2015/03/2015-Pine-County-AIS-Plan.pdf>

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Invasive Species Materials

The lake association has received from the Minnesota DNR a number of brochures, ID cards and other materials that can assist members to identify aquatic and terrestrial invasive species. Examples of the species covered are Curly Leaf Pond Weed, Eurasian Water Milfoil, Purple Loosestrife, Zebra Mussels, and Spiny and Fishhook Waterfleas. The materials will be available at the general meetings this summer.

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The lake association's website has a new and shorter address www.minnesotawaters.org/windemerelakes. Our host organization, Conservation Minnesota has provided a new software program for lake associations to use. Our site includes a number of items that may be of interest to members. You can find contact information for our board members and the bylaws. General and board meeting minutes for the past ten years have been posted. Copies of the The Window, association's newsletter are there back to 2006. The site has maps from the DNR identifying Eurasian Water Milfoil for 2013 and 2014. We will attempt to keep the site as current as possible. For instance if you missed a general meeting you could visit the site to see a draft copy of the minutes as soon as are prepared. Please check out the site and let us know if you have suggestions about how to improve it.

General Meetings: The 2015 calendar of our lake association is as follows. All general meetings are held at the Hope Lutheran Church-204 Elm Avenue-Moose Lake at 9:00am. We hope to see you at these meetings this coming summer. Coffee and cookies will be served!

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| June 13- Moose Lake Fire Department |
| July 11- City of Moose Lake- Mayor |
| August 8- A representative from the Pine County Aquatic Invasive Species Program and also Rich Rezanka |

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