

# The Sugar Lake News

MAY 2012

## Sugar Lake Association Minnesota Waters' 2010 Lake Association of the Year 2009 Star Lake Recipient

2012

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 16– SLA Meeting\*

June 30 Fishing contest

June 30 Fireworks

July 21-SLA Meeting\*

August 4-SLA Picnic

August 18-Annual Meeting/  
Board Election\*

September 1-5K Run/Walk

September 1-Diane's Lights Night

September 15– SLA Meeting\*

October 20-SLA Meeting\*

\*SLA meetings are held at the Corinna  
Township hall at  
8:00 a.m.

September & October meetings at 9 a.m.

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## High Water Slow-No Wake Ordinance

Dear Members,

The purpose of my letter is to provide you with an update on the status of the High Water Level No-Wake ordinance process. As you may recall, the matter was the subject of a Special meeting of the members held on Saturday, May 19, as well as information and proxy ballots that were sent to all SLA members. The discussion was, at times, spirited; the process, at times, laborious. As a result, I believe the issue was quite thoroughly vetted during the course of the meeting. By a rather narrow margin (four votes out of 78 cast by proxy and in person), the choice of the members was to 'Opt-In' to the process. Results of the balloting follow:

Shall Sugar Lake Association participate in the Wright County "High Water Level No Wake Ordinance" process?

41	YES	"Opt In" to the process
37	NO	"Opt Out of the process"

If Sugar Lake Association votes to "Opt In to the process, what conditions shall Sugar Lake Association propose to Wright County for inclusion in a High Water Level No Wake Ordinance"?

### A. Effective Period

23	Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend
9	On all weekends and legal holidays occurring within Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend
22	Other: All year/high water

### B. Affected Watercraft type and size: To which group of watercraft shall the ordinance apply?

14	All motor driven boats that are greater than 14 feet in length, and have motors with 10 or more horsepower.
22	All motor driven boats that are greater than 15 feet in length, and have motors with 25 or more horsepower.
32	All personal watercraft (PWC) regardless of length or horse power
12	Other: various

### C. Zone of Control: In which "Zone of Control" shall speed and wake limitations apply?

28	All waters within 100 or 150 feet from the shore
29	All waters within 300 feet from the shore
3	Only in locations where watercraft speed or wake may constitute an immediate hazard to persons, property, or natural resources.

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## The latest lake report

Water Physical condition a 2 on 1 (good) to 5(poor) scale.  
2 Loons sitting on platforms at north end of lake

By Dan Erdmann

Date	Clarity	Water Temp	Air Temp	Culvert	
				Inlet	Outlet
05-12-07	10'	61°	62°	22"	27"
05-16-08	10'	54°	60°	27"	32"
05-15-09	11'	52°	69°	20"	25"
05-14-10	10'	56°	64°	23"	28"
05-17-11	11'	55°	62°	28"	33"
05-16-12	11'	65°	75°	22.5"	28"

## Rainfall

Total precipitation in April was 2.4 inches. May rainfall was 9.05 inches. Thanks to Andy Juetten for the rainfall information.

## Membership

Paid SLA membership for 2012 has reached 218.

If you know someone new in your area that might be interested in becoming a member of the SLA, notify Marianne Borgeson. She will contact the new property owners with information and make them feel welcome to the area. Notify Marianne of any changes to the directory information including address or phone changes. Contact Marianne at 320-963-2674 or email [membership@sugarlake.org](mailto:membership@sugarlake.org).

We extend our sympathy to the family of Joyce Wallin who passed away May 11, 2012.

## News Flash

The Sugar Lake Association maintains two email lists for communication with membership:

**News Flash:** This list is used to send information about invasive species treatment, event announcements, member information, government information, etc. To subscribe to this list send an e-mail to [newsflash@sugarlake.org](mailto:newsflash@sugarlake.org) requesting addition.

**For Sale:** This list is used to send information about items "for sale" by the membership. To subscribe to this list send an email to [forsale@sugarlake.org](mailto:forsale@sugarlake.org) requesting addition.

If you wish to unsubscribe follow the instructions in the email you receive from the list or send an email requesting removal to the addresses listed above.

For the latest news on Sugar Lake visit our website:

[www.sugarlake.org](http://www.sugarlake.org)

## Picnic Help Needed

Volunteers are needed to help with picnic activities. Please donate an hour of your time at the picnic to help make it a success for everyone.

If you can help please contact:

Deb Beltrand  
952-944-1526

Email: [dbeltrand@comcast.net](mailto:dbeltrand@comcast.net)

## Treasurer's Report

As of May 19, 2012

General Fund	\$40,883.24
Lake Improvement Fund	\$24,760.94
Milfoil and Invasive Species Fund	<u>\$98,920.77</u>
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>\$164,514.95</b>

## Membership Meeting

The June 16 Sugar Lake Association meeting at the Corinna Town Hall will be a general membership meeting. Nominations for the board of directors will be finalized.

## Sugar Lake Association Board Nominations

If you are interested in becoming a Sugar Lake Association board member or know someone interested in becoming a board member, please contact Don Peterson:

952-212-9524.

The nominating committee would like to have a slate of candidates ready before the June 18 meeting.

An eighteen-member board administers the SLA. Each board member serves for 3 years and then is required to take a year off before being eligible to be elected again. Board members can serve on committees including water quality, vegetation, education, fisheries, communication as well as helping with annual events like the picnic. It is a great way to learn about the lake and be involved in what is happening.

## Picnic Prize Donations

If you have prizes to donate for the picnic, or know of a neighbor who does, Betsy Hanson is collecting the prizes prior to the picnic. She can be contacted at:

Betsy Hanson  
320-963-5527

Slow-No Wake Ordinance *Continued from page 3*

**D. Speed limits: To what speed shall Affected Watercraft operating within the Zone of Control be limited?**

- 35 "Slow-No Wake"
- 21 15mph
- 1 Other: 15-20mph

**E. Duration of Controls: Once initiated, during what hours of the day shall the Speed and Wake Limitations be in force?**

- 51 24 hours of the day for as long as the controls remain in effect.
- 3 Sunrise to Sunset

On May 25, the Association notified the Wright County Attorney that Sugar Lake Association will be participating in the High Water Level Slow- No Wake Ordinance process. The attached document, 'Sugar Lake High Water Slow-No wake Ordinance terms', was submitted to the County Attorney along with a written letter of notification.

There are several 'next steps' in the process: the Wright County Attorney will be drafting language for a proposed ordinance, while at the same time, the Association will be working with the SWCD and to gather and submit data and information required by the DNR for the Water Surface Use rulemaking process. After review and conditional approval of the information by the County Attorney, the ordinance will go to Corinna and Clearwater Townships for approval. We anticipate that the draft ordinance will be brought before the Clearwater Township Board at its June meeting on Tuesday, June 19, and before the Corinna Township Board at its meeting on Tuesday, July 3. We will provide a newsflash and posting on the website when the dates are confirmed. Note that approval of both townships is required for the ordinance to move forward. Following approval of the townships, the Wright County Board will take up the matter as the final step before the ordinances are sent to the MN DNR for approval by the DNR Commissioner.

One topic not discussed or decided at the meeting was the lake level at which controls would be initiated. That matter is the subject of discussions between the Wright County SWCD and the SLA Executive and Water Quality Committees. Discussions center around the use of Elevation 989'-6" above Mean Sea Level as the level that would trigger enforcement of the No-Wake ordinance. That level represents the same elevation/lake level at which Wright County imposed an emergency whole lake, No-Wake ordinance last year.

As I told the Members at the Special Meeting, the SLA Board has worked hard to be true to the bylaws of the organization as we have worked thru this process. There certainly are differing opinions on the matter. I believe all interested parties had fair opportunity for their positions to be heard. Thanks to all who participated in the process; we are a better organization as a result.

Sincerely,

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Ron Elsner, Chairman

## Township News

**Corinna Township** Town Board meetings are held the first and third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. The Corinna Town Hall is located on Ireland Ave, 1/3 mile north of County Road 39. Clerk: Mary Barkley Brown 320-274-8049

- Visit the Corinna Township website at [www.corinnatownship.com](http://www.corinnatownship.com).

**Clearwater Township** Town Board meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. The Clearwater Town Hall is located on Highway 24, 3-1/2 miles south of Clearwater. Clerk: Jean Just —Town Hall Phone: 320-558-6790

- Visit the Clearwater Township website at [www.clearwatertownshipmn.govoffice2.com](http://www.clearwatertownshipmn.govoffice2.com).

## Water Patrol

Remember to renew or obtain your swim raft permit. Contact the Wright County Sheriff's Department at 763-682-7689. Your permit number must be displayed and the raft must be reflectorized to reflect light from all directions.

## Sugar Lake Fireworks

Joel Williams and the professional crew he works with are planning a fireworks show on Sugar Lake Saturday, June 30, 2012. We need your help. It is a one time, one night show. Since no Sugar Lake funds are used for this display we need your help. A show as good as last year will require more than \$6000. We are currently half way there. Donations are ahead of last year but we still have quite a ways to go. About 60 people have donated so far. More than 60 of us watch and appreciate the show so please send in your contributions—talk to your neighbors and organize a neighborhood contribution.



Please make a donation to this year's fireworks display. Make a check out to the Sugar Lake Association and put fireworks in the memo space. Send it to:

SLA Treasurer  
 Jon Juntunen  
 1342 80<sup>th</sup> St NW  
 Buffalo, MN 55358.

Thank you Joel for offering to do a fireworks show again and thanks to all the members who donate and make this possible.

## Annual Fishing Contest Saturday, June 30th!

When: 9 a.m. to noon. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. Weigh in at noon.  
 Where: Home of Lynne Bonine on the north end of Addison Bay.  
 Cost: \$5 per person. All entry fees applied to the prize fund.  
 Prizes: First, second, and third prizes awarded for the largest fish in each category.  
 Who: Open to members and friends. The Kids contest is for ages 0-8 and 9-15. Kids can share in the prize money if they pay the entry fee.

Hot dogs and refreshments will be served afterward.

If you have any questions, call Lynne at 320-274-2005.

*If you have one of the traveling trophies awarded last year, please return it to Lynne Bonine before the fishing contest, or call Lynne and arrange to bring it to the contest.*

## 5K Run/Walk

On Saturday, September 1, 2012, the third annual Sugar Lake Brandon Beckman Memorial 5K run/walk will take place. The start line and finish line will be at the Corinna Township Hall on Ireland Ave. The race will go north on Ireland Ave, down Imhoff Ave NW, and then back on Ireland Ave. All ages are welcome. The roads will be patrolled.



*This is a non-USATF registered event. Funds go to the Sugar Lake Association/ Lake Improvement Fund. The SLA is a 501C-3, and all donations are tax deductible. Feel free to donate even if not participating.*

8:00 – 8:45 am Registration/Check-In  
 9:00 am 5K Run/Walk  
 10:00 am Post-Race Brunch/Party at The Hitching Post at Lake Center

The registration form is attached to this newsletter and is also available at [www.sugarlake.org](http://www.sugarlake.org).

## Minnesota Waters

May 14 we received an email from Minnesota Waters stating that they were ceasing operation on May 19. This was shocking news. The SLA was the 2010 Minnesota Waters Lake Association of the year, our South Access project was funded by a Minnesota Waters grant, many of us have attended Minnesota Waters sponsored conferences, forums, events and worked closely with the excellent staff. Minnesota Waters has struggled in recent years with contracted state funding, foundation funding, and changing foundation direction strategy.

On May 25 we received an announcement that Minnesota Waters would continue operation as part of Conservation Minnesota. More information will be released about this new partnership as it develops. If you want to take a look at Conservation Minnesota you can visit their website at:

<http://www.conservationminnesota.org/>

## Diane's Lights Night

By Doc Williams

As you may recall, the Diane's Lights Night contest held last Labor Day ended in a first ever tie between the Tom Pugh and Joe Urista families for first place. The Pugh's built a 6 foot high luminary and suspended it in the air. The Urista's, under the guidance of their grandson Charlie, put on a beautiful display using 200 luminaries to decorate the entire yard from the shoreline to the upstairs balcony. This left the judges hopelessly deadlocked between the two displays and a tie was finally agreed on. The Pugh's and Urista's will split the first place prize with each getting 6 cases of Pepsi product for their summer enjoyment. If you want to read the entire article on the elaborate displays and the indecision between the judges, plus descriptions of other displays that evening, go to [www.sugarlake.org](http://www.sugarlake.org) - newsletters - September 2011 issue. If you're looking for ideas for what to do this year, go to the September issues of years past and you may come up with something to get you started. Plan on participating this year and help make Sugar Lake the jewel that it is.



## Aquatic Invasive Species Laws

There are many changes occurring this year that we all need to be aware of. You may have read articles in the newspapers lately or seen other news reports. The changes affect penalties (doubled), inspections, transportation of watercraft, sale and purchase of lake equipment such as boat lifts and docks, and service providers who install and remove lifts and docks. An "Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Legislation Summary" prepared by the MN DNR is attached to this newsletter to provide you with current information.

# Sugar Lake Buoys

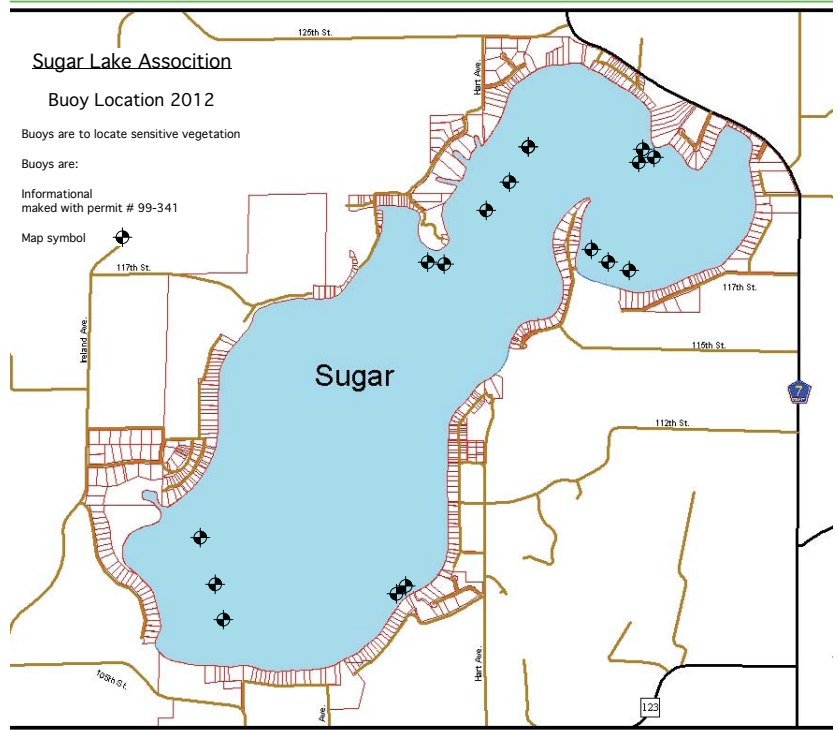
Again this year the SLA is installing buoys on Sugar Lake with the permission of the Wright County Sheriff's office. The purpose of the buoys is to bring attention to the importance of protecting our remaining stands of Hardstem Bulrush.

The Hardstem Bulrush is a very important plant for Sugar Lake. It is an excellent plant to stabilize the lake bottom, it does an excellent job of cleaning the water, and it is extremely important for spawning habitat for Crappies and Sunfish.

Bulrush are very sensitive to boat traffic, so please keep your powerboats a good distance away from the markers. Also note that the buoy on the south side of "rocky point" located in the northwest part of the lake also marks the large boulders in that area.

We understand that bulrush are a plant that flourished during the drought years of the 1930's and have been on a decline in Sugar Lake since that time. However, we have been successful in establishing new stands of bulrush in the past 10 years or so and welcome you to participate in our bulrush planting each summer.

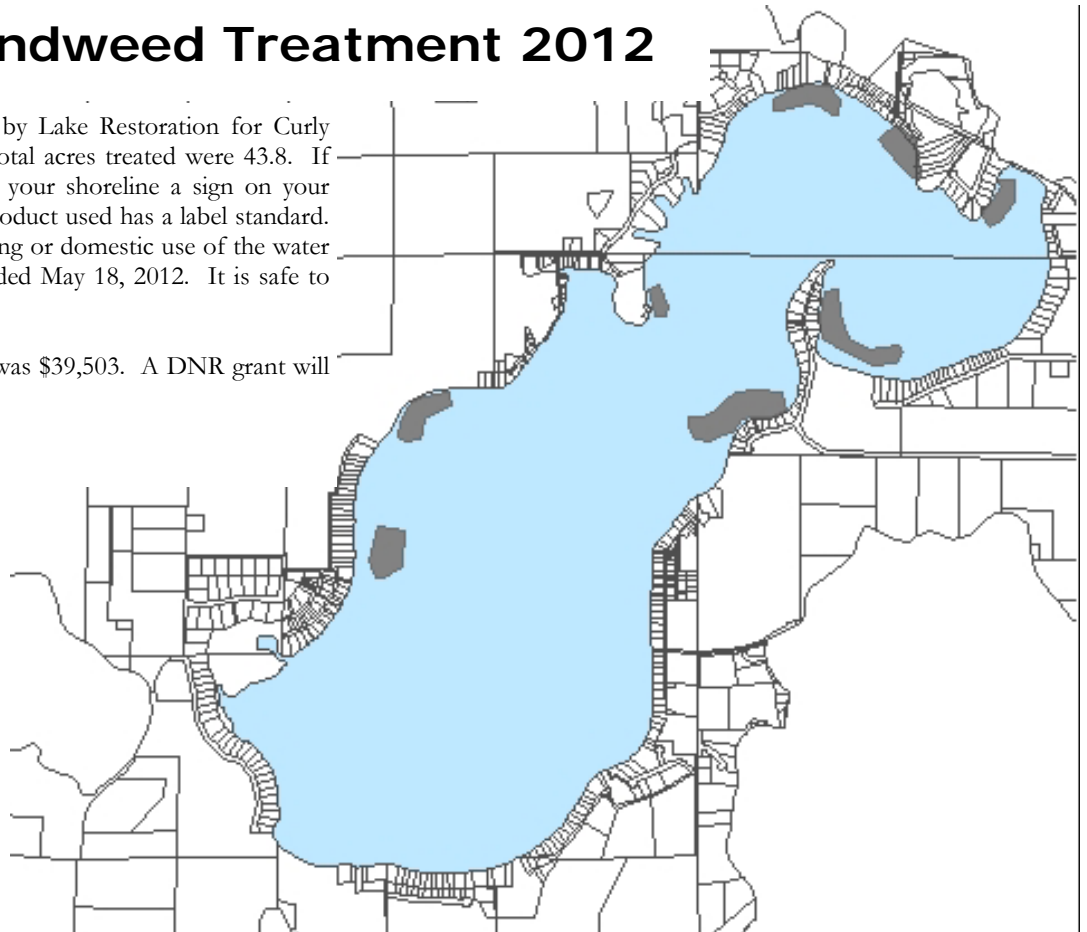
Vegetation Committee



# Curly leaf pondweed Treatment 2012

The shaded areas were treated by Lake Restoration for Curly leaf pondweed May 4, 2012. Total acres treated were 43.8. If treatment was with 150 feet of your shoreline a sign on your shore listed precautions. The product used has a label standard. The only restriction is for drinking or domestic use of the water for two weeks. That period ended May 18, 2012. It is safe to use your irrigation system.

The cost of treatment this year was \$39,503. A DNR grant will reimburse approximately \$7,000.



## Plant Exchange 2012



Although the heavy rain affected turnout at the 2012 Plant Exchange, many hardy SLA members exchanged more than 200 plants and many more purchased plants for their Sugar Lake properties. Hasty Woods Nursery provided a large selection of perennials and shrubs for purchase with 20% of the price going to SLA. The coffee was welcoming. The



cookies were yummy. Our profit of \$99 is going to the SLA Invasive Species fund.

## Sign is Up at South Access!

The DNR installed the sign describing the SLA native plant garden at the South access on Monday 23 April. This project was supported by Minnesota Waters, the Minnesota DNR and the Sugar Lake Association. SLA volunteers planted and maintain the garden. It contains native plants that will absorb and filter runoff before it flows into the lake.



## Chairman's Corner

Common Sense and Common Courtesy. Those two items were mentioned a number of times during the Special Meeting of the Members held on May 19 to discuss the No-Wake Ordinance. Several members were loud and

clear in expressing that both Common Sense and Common Courtesy can go a long way in making Sugar Lake better and safer – regardless of the water level.

Common sense should remind us that when water levels are extremely high, large wakes are going to have more effect on shoreline erosion. Shoreline erosion, in turn, draws soil and silt into the lake. Soil and silt in the lake make the water cloudy, and eventually settle to the lake bottom to add to the muck that nobody likes. Common Sense.

Common courtesy has less to do with high water and wake issues, and a lot more to do with boating safety. Here are a few boating rules that speak to courtesy and safety.

It is against the law :

- To operate a watercraft in a careless or reckless manner.
- To operate a watercraft so its wash or wake endangers, harasses, or interferes with any person or property.

Specific to Personal Watercraft (PWC), the law requires that:

- Personal Watercraft must travel at slow-no wake speeds (5 mph or less) within 150' of non-motorized boats, shore (unless launching or landing skiers directly to or from open water), docks, swim rafts, swimmers, or any moored or anchored boat.
- You may not operate a Personal Watercraft in a manner that unreasonably or unnecessarily endangers life, limb, or property.

These rules aren't new. The information above is directly quoted from the 2012 Minnesota Boating Guide published by the DNR. Common Courtesy, **and** the law.

Common Sense and Common Courtesy – they go hand in hand. Let's all do our part.

Regards,  
Ron

Remember: The 'high season' is upon us! – **Be Safe!!**

## Fundraising

The following individuals have contributed money beyond their dues. These contributions will allow us to treat invasive aquatic species according to our plan. We will be able to continue the work of maintaining and improving the water quality of Sugar Lake to the benefit of all property owners. (Contributions through June 1, 2012)

### Thank You!

Erik & Erica Achman	Steve & Roxanne Huff	Doug & Judy Schuette
Craig & Linda Allen	*Jill & Todd Jackson	Ed & Marge Scinto
Gumer & Amy Alvero	Toni deRosier Jerry Hertel	Irvin & Lorenchia Scott
Marilyn Andersen	*Jeff & Joan Jonswold	Dave & Susie Seestrom
Jim & Ginny Arone	Jon & Elizabeth Juntunen	Al & Cheryl Smith
Bev Barringer	Mrs. Karl (Bobbie) Kaufmann	*Michael & Karen Smith
Dennis & Debbie Beltrand	Mike & Jane Kluge	*Paul & Joan Smith
Gary, Bob & Leroy Bendickson	Curt & Carrie Knowles	*John & Jane Spielmann
Vernon & Jean Berkness	*Dennis & Mary Langhoff	James & Trudy Gutowski Stewart
John & Bill Biebesheimer	Lisa & Todd Latterell	John & Shirley Stringer
Don & Marianne Borgeson	Marie Lehn	Greg & Kathy Suddendorf
Gary & Jan Borrell	Judith & Ronald Libertus	Karen Sutherland
Robert & Cathryn Brabant	*Robert N. Lund	Tom & Connie Tart
*Michael & Barbara Brandt	Mike & Barb Madden	*Michael & Gloria Thurmes
Jerry & Doris Brinkman	Cathi & John Mara	JoAnne Tierney
Christopher M. Brown	*Mike & Janet Mengelkoch	David & Trish Tuohy
Tamzin Brown	Mark & Barb Menth	Joe & Jean Urista
Thomas & Barbara Brown	*Fred & Geraldine Menth	Frank Vinella C/O Jim Vinella
Sheldon & Mary Brown	Tom Michaud	*Bill & Tracy Walker
*Scott & Debera O'Leary Bullock	Steven E. Miller	Ralph & Tina Walker
Kipp & Jenny Cafferty	*Doug & Martha Miller	Dick & Mary Kay Ward
Tom & Terry Carter	Russ & Pat Mittelstaedt	Andrea & Rick Berg Welter
Bruce & Dana Chamberlin	Karen Moonen	Marilyn Westlin
*Ellen Collins	Mary Lou Nelson	*Dave (Doc) & Beth Williams
Darrell & Pat Dahl	*Tom & Suzanne Nimmo	*Steve & Diane Wiltermuth
Donald & Mary Dahlke	Joan Ohnsorg	Alan & Susie Wojchowski
Dick & Joann DeGrood	*Rick & Mary Olson	*Alfred & Cathy Wurm
Mark & Sue Dixon	Bob & Chris Peltier	Tim & Nancy Young
Donna & Gary Dovel	Donna Pertl	
Tom & Sandy Ducharme	*Don & Cindi Peterson	
Gerald Dykhoff	Craig Peterson	
Ron & LuAnn Elsner	Scott & Katie Peterson	
*Daniel & Sheree Mattes Erdmann	Denny & Sally Phenow	
Jim & Jan Foldenaur	Marion & Charles Reynolds Pohlman	
James & Elaine Fox	*Tom & Pam Pugh	
Jim & Robin Fox	Ralph & Jeannette Pugh	
Roger & Polly Galbraith	Ed & Janet Quinn	
Eric & Lisa Berglund Gamble Cottage	Peter & Lynn Ramme	
*Drew & Laura Giertsen	*Dale & Lois Rasmusson	
Daniel and Susan Gorski	*John & Joan Rausch	
*Nolan & Deb Grimm	Perry & Roseanne Reed	
Gloria Groenke	Mark & Pam Rentz	
Jerry & Carol Hackenmueller	*Trudy & Alan Kamrath Richter	
Tom & Maggie Hall	Troy & Lori Roovers	
Mark Hanson	Roz Roswell	
*James & Betsy Hanson	Lynette & Dick Rougier	
Elvira E Hanson	Gregg & Lyn Salvaag	
Bob & Jean Heberle	*Gerald Sauter	
Lee & Jonelle Hennen	John & Bonnie Schacherer	
Stan & Shirley Hillestad	Gerry & Janet Schafer	
Harold & Carol Hinnenkamp	Peter & Charlotte Schreiner	
*Gary & Marilyn Hiscock	Mark & Margie Schroeder	

\* We would like to recognize and thank these people for their generous donation of an "acre" or more.

## Sugar Lake High Water Slow-No Wake Ordinance terms

As approved by the Members on May 19, 2012

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide rules of use for watercraft on Sugar Lake during periods of abnormally high water level.

### **Applicability**

This ordinance shall apply to the entire lake water body.

### **Effective Period**

This ordinance shall be in effect during the period starting on the Saturday prior to Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

### **Initiation of Controls**

Boat speed and wake limitations shall become effective when the Lake Level exceeds an elevation of 989.5 Feet above mean sea level, when the levels have been measured and/or verified by members of the Wright County Sheriff's department and/or their designee(s) at the inlet of the discharge culvert at CTH 7, and when Speed and Wake Limitations have been duly posted at each of the DNR access points.

*NOTE: The elevation required to initiate controls will be as agreed to by the Wright County SWCD and the Executive and Water Quality Committees of the Sugar Lake Association. Elevation will be included in information submitted with the Water Surface Use Worksheet.*

### **Affected Watercraft type and size.**

This ordinance shall apply to all motor driven boats that are greater than 15 feet in length and have motors in excess of 25 horsepower, and, all Personal Watercraft (PWC) regardless of length or horsepower.

### **Zone of Control**

The Zone of Control in which speed and wake limitations shall apply to all waters within 300 feet from the shore; and, in other locations where watercraft speed or wake may constitute an immediate hazard to persons, property, or natural resources.

### **Speed limits**

Affected Watercraft operating within the Zone of Control shall be limited to "Slow-No Wake" speed. For the purposes of this ordinance, 'Slow-No Wake' shall be defined as the slowest possible speed necessary to maintain steerage, but in no case greater than five mph.

### **Duration of Controls**

Speed and wake limitations shall remain in effect for thirty (30) days following the initiation of controls. It will also be proposed that the duration of speed and wake limitations may be extended in fifteen (15) day increments by the Sheriff's Department if the lake level is measured to be at or above the elevation required to initiate controls.

### **Posting of Speed and Wake Limitations**

The Sheriff's Department shall post Speed and Wake Limitations at each of the DNR access points within 24 hours of the initiation of controls. Posting shall be clearly visible, and immediately adjacent to the DNR signage. The Sheriff's Department shall also, within 24 hours, provide electronic notification, as follows:

- A. Post a notice on the homepage of the Wright County website. ([www.co.wright.mn.us](http://www.co.wright.mn.us))
- B. Provide electronic notification to the webmaster of the Sugar Lake Association website. ([webmaster@sugarlake.org](mailto:webmaster@sugarlake.org))



The graphic below illustrates the 300 foot perimeter. The hatched area of the lake will have no restrictions as a result of this ordinance.



# Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Legislation Summary

Laws of Minnesota 2012, Chapter 272

Prepared by: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources  
May 7th, 2012



## Effective 7-1-2012, unless otherwise noted

This is a summary of new laws related to prevention and management of aquatic invasive species (AIS) that will apply to boaters, property owners, service providers, bait dealers and others involved with the transportation of water-related equipment.

### Penalties

- Civil penalties/amounts are generally doubled from previous amounts
- Penalty amounts are doubled the base amount if one or more prior convictions or civil citations
- Failing to leave drain plug opened while transporting technical correction to civil citation penalty provision

### Inspections

- DNR can require mandatory inspections of water-related equipment before a person places or removed equipment into/out of a water body
- Inspection stations can be located at or near public water access sites or in locations that allow for servicing multiple water bodies
- Commissioner shall ensure inspection stations: 1) have adequate staffing, 2) allow for reasonable travel time between accesses and inspection stations, 3) are located so as not to create traffic delays or public safety issues, 4) have decontamination equipment available, and 5) do not reduce capacity or hours of operation of public accesses.
- Commissioner may enter into delegation agreements with local or tribal government if local or tribal government assume all legal, financial, and administrative responsibility in their jurisdiction, and must:
  - 1) employ inspectors that have been trained/authorized by DNR, 2) conduct inspections and decontamination measures as approved by DNR, 3) have decontamination equipment available at inspection stations or within reasonable distance of inspection stations, 4) provide inspection stations that do not create traffic delays or public safety issues, 5) submit a plan approved by DNR with no reduction in capacity or hours of operation of public accesses, adequate staffing and enforcement capacity, 6) must submit an annual report to DNR, and 7) other requirements per section
- Allows conservation officers and other peace officers to require water-related equipment be removed from a water body if necessary to implement aquatic invasive species control measures.

## **Boating/Fishing**

- Clarifying that a person may not launch any water-related equipment (was watercraft/trailer) into waters of the state with prohibited species attached
- Portable bait containers do not need to be drained when fishing through the ice, except when in VHS designated waters
- Requirement to attach AIS rules decal to boats is repealed (2011 legislation)
- Require anyone who transports watercraft or water-related equipment with a trailer to complete an online education course. After completing the course, the person will receive a decal that must be placed on their trailer, certifying they have taken the course. People taking the course can receive extra stickers if they own or use multiple trailers for watercraft or water-related equipment.
  - 7-day temporary can be requested by persons that have not completed the training
  - Decal must be adhered to side of the trailer frame tongue near the hitch
  - Decals are not transferable
  - Goes into effect 7/01/2015
  - Warnings only, no criminal penalty even after effective

## **Property Owners**

- Boat lift, dock, swim raft, etc. removed from any water body may not be placed in another water body for at least 21 days

## **Service Providers**

- Service providers definition includes service provided as a benefit of a yacht club, boat club, marina, or similar organization
- Service provider decals to be displayed on inside lower driver's side windshield

## **Bait Harvesting/ possession of bait**

- Harvest of bait by hook and line from infested waters is allowed for bullheads, goldeyes, mooneyes, sheepshead (freshwater drum) and suckers with following conditions: 1) to be used for personal use ONLY; 2) used on the same body of water where caught and while still on that water body; 3) the bait/fish may not be transported live from or off that water body; 4) bait/fish meet all other size restrictions and requirements; and 5) bait/fish are included in any daily limits
- Possession/importation of dead bait from VHS waters must be preserved in a manner prescribed by the commissioner. Shipments need to have documentation showing water body source, lot number, company contact information (name, phone, address), date of packaging and labeling, and valid negative fish health certification for the water body/

## **For More Information Contact:**

Luke Skinner, Supervisor  
MN DNR, Invasive Species Program  
500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155  
651-259-5140  
[Luke.skinner@state.mn.us](mailto:Luke.skinner@state.mn.us)

MAJ Phil Meier, Operations Manager  
MNDNR, Division of Enforcement  
500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155  
651-259-5045  
[phil.meier@state.mn.us](mailto:phil.meier@state.mn.us)

## Registration Form (please complete one form per person)

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age on Race Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender M F

### Shirt Size (circle one):

ADULT S M L XL XXL

### Race entered:

5K Walk \_\_\_\_

5K Run \_\_\_\_

Donation Only \_\_\_\_

In consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I hereby release the Sugar Lake Brandon Beckman Run/Walk, the Sugar Lake Association and the Corinna Township from any and all liability arising from illness or injuries I may suffer as a result of my participation in this event, for which I am physically fit and trained.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Mail-in registration only (no email). Registration and fee need to be received by August 16, 2012 in order to get t-shirt. Registration will also be available on race day (no t-shirt).**

Adults - \$25 (Pre-registration and race day registration). Only pre-registered participants will get a t-shirt.

Children (who are running or walking on their own) - \$10 if no t-shirt size is selected. \$25 if t-shirt size is selected (adult size only). No charge for children in strollers, etc.



On **Saturday, September 1, 2012**, the third annual Sugar Lake Brandon Beckman Memorial 5K run/walk will take place. The start and finish lines will be at the Corinna Township on Ireland Ave. Please park in the lot at the township. The race will go north on Ireland Ave, down Imhoff Ave NW, and then back on Ireland Ave. All ages are welcome. The roads will be patrolled.

*This is a non-USATF registered event. Funds go to the Sugar Lake Association/ Lake Improvement Fund. The SLA is a 501C-3, and all donations are tax deductible. Feel free to donate even if not participating.*

## Schedule of Events

8:00 – 8:45 am Registration/Check-In (Get numbers, t-shirts, etc)

9:00 am 5K Run/Walk (Everyone will start at the same time/location)

10:00 am Brunch/Party at The Hitching Post at Lake Center

All pre-registered participants will receive a commemorative t-shirt. Snacks and beverages will be provided in the parking lot after the event. The top finishers for the 5k run will be given certificates and announced in the Sugar Lake Association newsletter.

**Please make checks payable to Sugar Lake Association and mail other half of form to: Cathy Beckman  
10880 Imhoff Ave NW  
Annandale, MN 55302**

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Email Kristin at [kristinturn@gmail.com](mailto:kristinturn@gmail.com) with any questions or if you want to volunteer. The event will take place rain or shine!

