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## Management Plan

For the past two years, the Pine Lake District Board, along with a volunteer committee, has been working with Onterra and the DNR to develop an ongoing comprehensive-management plan for Pine Lake. This plan has been broken into individual management goals which include the following areas of concern:

- Maintain navigation in open water and near shore areas
- Clean Boats Clean Water Program
- Plant identification
- Water quality monitoring
- Fish Stocking
- Education of property owners

To address the number one interest, as per the stakeholders' survey, a plant harvesting plan is now in place. This plan involves a three-year trial cutting, which will occur twice a year beginning this summer. The proposed dates for the initial cutting are June 24-30 and August 4-11. Schmidt's Aquatic Plant Control from Iola, Wisconsin, has been hired as the contractor. Please refer to the enclosed map to view the suggested cutting plan.

Onterra will offer a presentation on the lake study and the complete management plan at a future date.

## Looking for Volunteers

The Lake Planning Committee is looking for volunteers for the Clean Boats Clean Waters and Plant Identification Programs. Volunteers will be trained to organize and conduct a watercraft inspection and education program at the Pine Lake boat landing. Volunteer hours will be added to help offset what we pay for the grant we were awarded. If you are interested, please contact the Pine Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District at P.O. Box 254, Hiles, Wisconsin 54511, or send us an email to our web site address.

## Web Site Info:

For up-to-date Lake District information, please check our web site at <http://townofhiles/pine.lake.prd/index.html>.

If you would like to receive email notices of upcoming meetings, news, or events, please go to the "Contact Info" page on the web site, and click on [pinelakeinfo@gmail.com](mailto:pinelakeinfo@gmail.com). Be sure to send us an email address. We would also like to hear suggestions from you regarding improvements to the web site.

## Buoys

Rock marker buoys have recently been placed in the water. Those markers will be removed after Labor Day. Please note that these buoys mark the "general area of submerged rocks, so proceed carefully when near them. If a rock is missed, please let us know.

This spring a used 21-foot fully operational pontoon boat, motor, and trailer were purchased for lake maintenance at the cost of \$1700. The existing boat will be sold for scrap unless someone else is interested in purchasing it for scrap value.

One pontoon apparently leaks, and the motor needs repair. If interested, please contact us at

[pinelakeinfo@gmail.com](mailto:pinelakeinfo@gmail.com), or by phone, call Jim at 262-242-2135.

## **Mark your Calendars:**

Upcoming Meetings:

Quarterly Dates:

May 28, 2011  
July 2, 2011  
September 3, 2011  
November 12, 2011

Annual Meeting:

July 2, 2011

All meetings will be held at the Hiles Town Hall beginning at 9:00 a.m.

## Pine Lake Water Test Starts Eleventh Year

The ice is off and water quality testing will resume again on Pine Lake. This will be our eleventh consecutive year of sampling for clarity and temperature and our ninth year of chemical testing for phosphorus and chlorophyll.

The WDNR Citizens Lake Monitoring Network (CLMN) sponsors this all-volunteer program. The CLMN provides volunteers with equipment, supplies, and training. In 2010, over 900 volunteers sampled almost 800 locations throughout Wisconsin.

In 2010, Pine Lake, was sampled 18 times from mid April to mid October. Data for Pine Lake is entered online and is accessible via the Internet on the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources website or via the link from the Pine Lake website. A narrative overview of the 2010 results, the historical water quality graph and samplings are all available on the DNR website. Last year 2010 saw our lowest summer average water clarity reading, 3.4 feet, since our monitoring began in 2001. Hopefully, 2011 will be a better year for water quality.

If anyone is interested in participating in or observing the CLMN water sampling on Pine Lake, our phone number is 715-649-3234, or contact me at one of the District meetings.

See you on the lake . . .

Jerry Wolf

CLMN Volunteer/Pine Lake

## Update Mailing Information

Every effort has been made to send this Newsletter to the correct address of the District residents, but if you are not part of the District, or do not want to receive a newsletter, or in some cases, receive multiple copies, please let us know. If you would rather receive an email copy, please let us know, but be sure to include your email address. Also, if you know of someone who should receive a copy and has not, we would appreciate knowing that.

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*Crist Hamerlaw - Coordinator,  
Invasive Species*



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## Welcome to the Clean Boats, Clean Waters Watercraft Inspection Program!

Aquatic invasive species have long been recognized as a serious threat to the United States. According to Cornell University, in 1999, introduced species of animals, plants, and microbes cost the U.S. economy at least \$138 billion a year. In 2001, Wisconsin spent over \$600,000 on aquatic and terrestrial plants and exotic birds, thousands more for sea lamprey control and hundreds of thousands for control of zebra mussels. These facts make folks a little nervous about the future of Wisconsin inland water bodies.

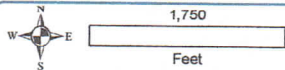
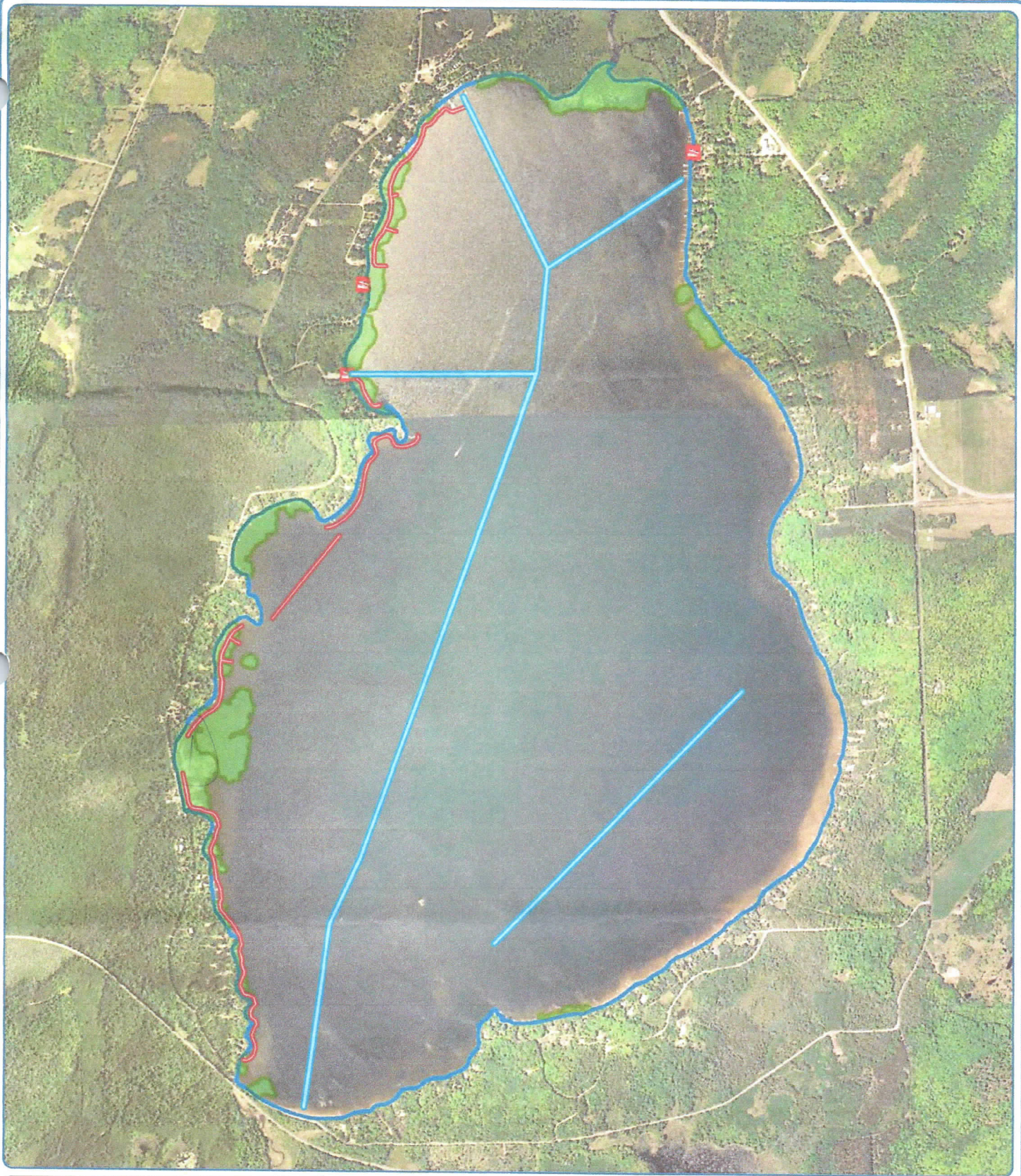
Wisconsin's 15,081 lakes are fortunate to have volunteers who monitor water clarity, water chemistry, aquatic plants, and invasive plants. Since 1986, these folks have functioned as the "eyes" of aquatic biologists. With the arrival of aquatic invasive species, now more than ever volunteers are needed to help preserve and protect Wisconsin's water bodies. The "Clean Boats, Clean Waters" program is an opportunity for volunteers to help stop the spread of invasive species across the state.

Through "Clean Boats, Clean Waters," volunteers are trained to organize and conduct a watercraft inspection and education program in their community. This program originated in northern Wisconsin as a middle school project. The "Milfoil Masters" program alerted adults and youth that volunteers can make a difference in helping prevent the spread of invasive species.

To continue statewide volunteer efforts, the "Clean Boats, Clean Waters" Watercraft Inspection Program was created in the fall of 2003. The mission of this program is to promote water resource stewardship by actively involving individuals in preventing the spread of harmful aquatic invasive species. To accomplish this goal, the program sponsors statewide training workshops and has developed resource handbooks, tool kits, and educational information; a statewide coordinator now organizes volunteer efforts.

Wisconsin realizes that volunteers are the keys to reaching hundreds of recreationalists visiting the state. Volunteers who instruct boaters on how to perform watercraft inspections are helping to prevent new invasions and are helping to maintain Wisconsin's valuable water resource.

Thank you for taking the time to learn, act, and protect Wisconsin's waters from invasive species. Volunteering will never make anyone rich, but the rewards of these efforts will be appreciated by many generations to come.



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Project location in Wisconsin

**Legend**

- 20ft Shoreland Navigation Lanes ~ 12.3 acres
- 30ft Common Use/Fish Lanes ~ 31.2 acres
- Floating-leaf and/or Emergent Plant Communities
- Public Access

**Pine Lake**  
 Forest County, Wisconsin  
**Mechanical**  
**Harvesting Plan v.4**