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January 9, 2015

Dan Genereau, Chairman  
Rice Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District  
PO Box 446  
Rice Lake, WI 54868

Subject: Rice Lake Management Plan Approval Request

Dear Mr. Genereau,

This letter is to notify the Rice Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District that the January 2015 Rice Lake Comprehensive Management Plan meets the criteria of NR 191.45 and thus has been approved by the Wisconsin DNR. Management activities identified in the plan are considered eligible for funding under Chapter NR 190, NR 191, and NR 198 subject to the application requirements of those programs.

Furthermore, the Department must certify that all proposed projects recommended in an approved plan comply with the provisions of the Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA). This certification could involve additional public informational meetings or other environmental assessment action.

It has been a pleasure to work with you and the Rice Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District and I look forward to continuing to protect and improve the Rice Lake ecosystem and watershed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex Smith'.

Alex Smith  
Lakes Biologist

CC: Dave Blumer - LEAPS  
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