



October 11, 2017

Joel Kraemer  
White Ash Lakes P&R District  
131 US HWY 63  
Baldwin, WI 54002

Subject: White Ash Lakes Aquatic Plant Management (APM) Plan Approval Request

Dear Mr. Kraemer,

Thank you for your efforts to understand, protect, and improve the White Ash Lakes! This letter is to notify you that the May 2017 White Ash and North White Ash Lakes APM Plan meets the criteria of Administrative Code NR 109 and thus, the DNR has approved the APM Plan.

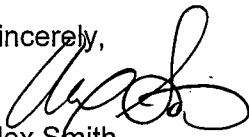
Please note: Wild rice is present in both White Ash and North White Ash Lakes. Please be advised that a DNR permit is required to manually removal wild rice from within a lake. Also, no wild rice may be mechanically harvested from within the lakes except for plants that grow within the 20-foot-wide navigation channels. Thus, the CLP and native plant harvesting areas should be modified as necessary such that mechanical harvesting does not impact wild rice. DNR staff are willing to meet with Lake District representatives at the lake to help determine specific harvesting locations and boundaries.

The 2016 plant survey data showed that native plants were not densely populated at all survey points around the perimeter of White Ash Lake. Therefore, harvesting within the 50-foot channel around the perimeter of White Ash Lake should only occur when and where plants are dense and causing an impediment to navigation.

The Department reserves the right to inspect nuisance or navigation conditions prior to permitting aquatic plant management activities. Native aquatic plant management activities are *not* eligible for grant funding. Aquatic plant or algae control activities for the purposes of nuisance relief or navigation are *not* eligible for grant funding.

Thanks to you and the lake community for your efforts to protect and improve the White Ash Lakes.

Sincerely,



Alex Smith  
Lake Biologist

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