

NOTICE REGARDING LAKE MANAGEMENT PLANNING SESSIONS

Waushara County and UW/Stevens Point have scheduled lake management planning sessions for Kusel, Wilson and Round Lakes. The first planning session was held on February 6, 2015 at the Wild Rose Library. Twelve or more persons from Wilson Lake attended. Only three persons from Kusel Lake and only three persons from Round Lake attended this initial session. We hope more persons from Kusel Lake and Round Lake will attend the next three sessions, which are scheduled on March 6, April 10 and May 1, 2015 at 3:00 PM. At the present time, these sessions are scheduled to be held at the Wild Rose Library, too.

Persons owning property on the three lakes will be asked to respond to surveys before each planning session. Representatives from UW/Stevens Point told those attending the first planning session the more responses they receive to the surveys, the better able they will be to help prepare lake management plans for each lake. Therefore, riparian landowners are encouraged to respond to these surveys.

If any persons who did not attend the initial session would like to receive some of the materials that were distributed at the first meeting, they should contact either Ryan Haney at UW/Stevens Point, whose phone number is 751-346-2497, or Patrick Nehring, the Resource Agent for Waushara County, whose phone number is 920-787-0429.

James Buck
Chairman of Kusel/Wilson/Round Lakes District

All lake management plans shall have...

- 1 An assessment of the lake's historical water quality, including at least one year of current baseline limnological data.
- 2 An identification of the water quality problems or threats to lake water quality including degradation of fish habitat and wetlands caused by nonpoint sources of pollution in the watershed.
- 3 An assessment of the lake's fishery (provided by the WDNR) and aquatic habitat including the extent of the lake area covered by aquatic plants and a characterization of the shoreline habitat and any known ecological relationships.
- 4 An identification of the need for the protection and enhancement of fish and wildlife habitat, endangered resources, aesthetics or other natural resources.
- 5 An assessment of the lake's watershed including:
 - a A description of land uses listing each land use classification as a percentage of the whole and an estimate of the amount of nonpoint pollution loading produced by each category.
 - b A listing of known point sources of pollution affecting the lake or that have affected the lake.
 - c A characterization of the habitat conditions and any known ecological relationships.
- 6 A description of the institutional framework affecting management of the lake including, local government jurisdictional boundaries, plans, ordinances including an analysis of the need for adoption of local ordinances for lake protection.
- 7 A summary of the historical uses of the lake, including recreational uses up to the time of application, and how these uses may have changed because of water quality or habitat degradation.
- 8 A description of any other problems or issues perceived to need management actions.
- 9 A description of any management actions taken or are in progress.
- 10 Identification of objectives to maintain or improve the lake's water quality, fisheries, aquatic habitat and recreational and other uses.
- 11 Identification of target levels of control and resource protection needed to meet the objectives.
- 12 Identification and discussion of the alternative management actions considered for pollution control, lake restoration or other management including expected results.
- 13 An analysis of the need for and a list of the proposed management actions that will be implemented to achieve the target level of pollution abatement or resource protection.
- 14 A strategy for tracking, evaluating and revising the plan including water quality monitoring.
- 15 A plan for operation and maintenance of any structural management practice. The operation and maintenance period shall be for a minimum of 25 years.