



Lake Management Planning



Date: Friday, August 9th, 2019

Time: 10:00am to 11:00am

Location: Conference Call

Facilitator: Korin Doering, Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance, korin@fwwa.org, (920) 851-0948

Meeting Notes:

10:00am - Introductions

- Brief introduction of attendees
 - Kendall Kamke, Chad Casper, Paul Tollard, Todd Wahler, Dani Santry, Erin Gerred, Mark Sesing
- Brief updates from around the system
 - Calumet County
 - AIS Snapshot Day coming up.
 - Winnebago County
 - Working on breakwall on south side of Terrell's Island
 - Looking to improve circulation of water in Terrell's Island – plan to open up existing breakwall in places and remove islands
 - Survey is complete for the new breakwall
 - Monitoring was complete on two additional breakwalls that will be going in this winter
 - Developed app for monitoring submergent plants
 - Used drone for emergent plants
 - One point every acre for water clarity
 - Fond du Lac County
 - Getting a few projects started that were put on hold because of wet conditions most of the year
 - Streambank restoration project that's been in the planning stage for a couple of years is now being worked on in Pipe Creek Watershed because funding is available
 - Planning a similar streambank restoration practice that also has upland practices included – will hopefully be started later this year
 - Demo farm work continues – contract is complete
 - Off of the ledge south of fond du lac – grazing project (uses spring water for cattle)
 - LWQIA – gave out conservation award Julie Cooper (also on FDL LCC Committee)
 - Hoping to further recognize winners of the award with a plaque to hang in FDL LCD service center
 - Waushara County
 - At the end of the month they began the second phase of private water testing
 - 380 random samples from townships
 - Additional samples will be collected in the central sands area in the spring

- 7 county consortium looking at developing standards to reduce pollutants (P and N) in groundwater – in initial stages; hope to develop resolutions for counties to sign (Central Sands Groundwater County Collaborative)
 - Looking at cost of modeling
 - State legislatures – working with them to secure grants for study
 - WI DNR
 - Winnebago is green like paint in spots – BG Algae
 - First round of trawling is complete for 2019
 - Working out of west shore because they have nowhere to dispose of drum on east shore – mink farms weren't interested even offering to pay for them to take them – now have to landfill
 - Any known farmers that will take fish?
 - Done with coldwater stream shocking in western counties in region (coldwater trout stream baseline monitoring)
 - Fox-Wolf
 - AIS Snapshot Day – see details at end of notes
 - Clean Water Makes Better Beer – see details at end of notes

10:15am – Updates from Executive Committee Meeting

2019 Allocated Funds

Executive Committee approved use of the 2019 allocated funds for the development of a Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program and set-up of CRM software.

LMP Draft Review Process

During the Executive Committee meeting there were questions about the draft review process and interest from Winnebago County to have their LCC review and approve of draft sections of the LMP. This is a deviation from the process agreed upon earlier this year (January 2019). The Steering Committee discussed how best to move forward to ensure we are allowing adequate time and opportunity for review as deemed appropriate by each county.

What is the review process?

- Draft review by topic?
- Full LMP draft review?
- What is the role of the LCC?
 - Provides recommendation to the County Board for adoption of the plan
 - Winnebago –
 - Will have to go through LCC for approval first before going to Executive Committee
 - Action item for support from LCC for first three drafts (first Thursday in September)
 - Chad - ask how Chuck would like that presented
 - Korin – will hold date in schedule for presentation
 - Fond du Lac –
 - After Executive Committee meeting, Paul sent drafts to LCC members in an email
 - The draft will be a topic on the agenda for the next LCC meeting for discussion
 - Follow-up presentation about each draft?
 - Paul – get Korin additional information about how your committee would like information presented

- Not sure if this is the right process for FDL County; Paul will contact LCC members to ask how they would like to receive and review LMP draft and recommendations.
 - Calumet –
 - Follow-up with LCC chair to see how to proceed with review/approval
 - Korin added Calumet LCC October meeting to her calendar in case the committee requests a presentation
- What is the role of the Executive Committee?

County staff were asked by Korin to communicate with their LCC's and Executive Committee members to determine the process each county prefers for reviewing drafts and recommendations. Korin also asked county staff to find out how much detail the LCC's would like to have for review and in what format.

11:00am – Meeting wrap-up

- Other updates, events, trainings, and/or workshops?
 - **Aquatic Invasive Species Snapshot Day 2019**
 - Statewide event hosted by River Alliance; Locally organized by Fox-Wolf and Calumet County
 - August 17th, from 8:30am to 1:00pm
 - Sites around the system – looking for volunteers (family friendly!)
 - Contact Chris Acy at chris@fwwa.org
 - <https://www.facebook.com/events/349342162367400/>
 - **Clean water makes better beer**
 - August 29th, 2019
 - 5:00pm to 7:30pm
 - Similar to last year – free boat tours and BOGO drink coupons
 - <https://www.facebook.com/events/613769432442547/>
- Upcoming Steering Committee meetings:
 - Friday, September 13th, 2019 from 10am to 12pm (in-person)
 - Friday, October 11th, 2019 from 10am to 12pm (conference call)

11:05am – Meeting end

Additional notes:

Project Updates

1. Aquatic Invasive Species – AIS strategic plan is in final draft form. Focus Group meeting is scheduled for this Wednesday, August 7th at 5:30pm. We anticipate having 10 to 12 attendees. Next step would be to incorporate input we receive from the Focus Group into the draft.
2. Water Levels – The water level section of the report is complete. Focus Group was held earlier this year, and feedback has been incorporated. The draft is ready for public comment later this year. One of the recommendations was to form a Winnebago Waterways Level Assessment Team – the group held its initial meeting in July with plans to meet again in September in advance of the Army Corps fall strategy meeting. This is an implementation step, but we wanted to capitalize on momentum built earlier this year. Facilitated by Fox-Wolf.
3. Aquatic Plant Management – The final draft is complete. The focus Group was held earlier this year and the draft was sent out for last grammar/spelling/formatting review. It is ready for public comment later this year.

4. Water Quality – The water quality section is currently being drafted. Data has been summarized – now we are filling in the rest of the pieces. Plan to have that draft ready for tech team to review at the end of August.
5. Habitat – The habitat team members have resumed meeting and have picked up where we left off earlier in the project. Outline of draft report and draft recommendation are complete. Will be working to fill in the details with team members.
6. Recreation – Reports summarizing the input collection from online surveys have been drafted. Those drafts have been sent out for review for grammar/spelling/formatting. The results will be the starting point for the recreation portion of the plan. We will begin writing that section in September.
7. Shoreline Practices – Reports for the shoreline erosion inventory and shoreline property owners survey have been completed. The next step is to begin drafting that portion of the LMP strategy.
8. Watershed Management – It has taken a little more effort than originally thought to break down information gathered from the TMDL into individual HUC 12s, which is necessary to write the individual 9 Key Element plans. The respective county LWCDs and DNR meet in June to discuss status and next steps in drafting the individual plans.
9. Community Engagement – We formed the team earlier this year – draft list of recommendations has been compiled. Next step is to write the section of the LMP. Watershed Management – Tabled until next meeting

Project Outreach

Winnebago Waterways Program Outreach Update – since January 2019

Number	Outreach Activity
6	Events hosted
28	Exhibited at events
6	Presentations given
12	Meetings attended (for outreach)
9	Press releases
8	TV Interviews (news stations)
46	Articles written

Number of Contacts	Type of Contact
3,781	In-person contacts
168,400	Outreach contact points (including media interviews, articles, etc.)
5,140	CBCW contacts at boat launches

Social Media Tracking				
	Facebook	Instagram	Twitter	Newsletter
1/2/2018	253	n/a	65	863
6/4/2018	376	30	77	898
7/12/2018	394	51	80	896
8/9/2018	400	61	81	796
9/24/2018	425	91	84	870
10/12/2018	434	101	83	832
11/8/2018	446	107	84	882
12/13/2018	452	111	86	1107
1/11/2019	458	116	90	1108
2/8/2019	475	120	93	1152
3/7/2019	507	122	95	1149
4/7/2019	520	125	97	1162
5/7/2019	525	131	101	1151
6/10/2019	549	138	103	1228
7/15/2019	560	138	106	1184
8/2/2019	566	142	108	1178

% increase since Jan 2019	24%	22%	20%	6%
% increase since Jan 2018	124%	373%	66%	37%

Disclaimer: contact numbers are approximate based on our best attempt to track contacts through project outreach activities.