



## CHEMICAL TREATMENT

Each year, WLMD receives a permit from DNR to chemically treat problem areas on Wind Lake. Most of the areas treated are shallow and choke with weeds, restricting lake access.

Shoreline weed treatments will be conducted in late May, early June. A reduced copy of the permit is provided in this newsletter. If you wish to see a full size copy, call 262-514-3238 and one will be provided.

If you DO NOT want your shoreline to be treated, please complete the form provided in this newsletter, or email the WLMD at [info@wlmd.org](mailto:info@wlmd.org). Please return the form immediately.

When the treatment takes place, the shorelines near the treated areas will be posted with bright yellow signs. The signs will indicate if there are any use restrictions because of the treatment. The boat launch will also be posted with a treatment map. You can also check the WLMD website for treatment information.

Please don't assume we know how your shoreline has responded to a treatment. If conditions have changed, we may not know it. If the treatment wasn't effective, we won't know unless you tell us. Let us know if you have had unusual weed problems. We will check it out. Please call or email with questions or concerns.

As always, DNR has the final say in all the treatment areas for chemical control and may deny the treatment of specific areas.

## GEESE

Wind Lake is in the third year of a program to reduce the numbers of geese on Wind Lake. The goose roundup will take place in mid-June when the birds are without their flight feathers.

The goal is to bring the numbers of geese in line with what the lake can support. The numbers of geese have reached a level that raises concerns across the country. There are so many non-migratory birds that they are now at an increased risk of illness and disease. The geese contribute to the water quality problems, including E-coli bacteria and increased phosphorus loadings.

To assist in the roundup, we would like to get permission from as many landowners as possible. If you live on the lakeshore, and are willing to grant permission to gather geese on your property, please complete the Goose Form and return to WLMD as soon as possible.

This year, geese will be collected on Wind Lake, the Anderson Canal on Waubeesee Lake, on Bohners Lake in Burlington, and Paddock Lake in the Village of Paddock Lake.

## HARVESTING

The WLMD plans to conduct harvesting on the lake in mid-June if conditions warrant. The past couple of years, harvesting has been used to open up navigational channels on the East side of the lake. The Town has worked with the WLMD by allowing the cut weeds to be dumped at the old Transfer site.

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## **PERMITS**

Many changes have occurred in the permit process and requirements at the State level. An especially confusing change is in the permitting of rip rap projects to eliminate erosion. DNR riprap permits used to be free. Now permits range anywhere from free to \$500, depending on the circumstances of your proposed project. This means that a landowner wanting a permit may spend up to \$750 in permit fees alone. This will often mean that erosion will be allowed to continue rather than be corrected. WLMD will continue to work to correct this problem. Although WLMD will continue to obtain a County blanket permit for landowners, no such provision is available at the State level.

The DNR is discouraging the use of rock riprap for shoreline protection. They prefer that vegetation, assisted by installing a coconut biolog along the shore, be used. Unfortunately some biolog projects are not lasting even 1 year. Whether "soft armour" is appropriate depends on the fetch (the extent of the lake that hits your shoreline, the depths, the type of soils, etc.

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## **LAKE PLAN UPDATE**

The revision of the Wind Lake Management Plan is continuing. The Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) is reviewing the first plan, the current conditions on and around Wind Lake, and will be making recommendations for future actions. The completion of the plan will allow the WLMD to continue to seek grants to minimize the project costs to our landowners.

SEWRPC will be out on the lake this summer, assisted by a WLMD volunteer, to study the weeds, the shoreline erosion conditions, the areas that were dredged previously and will evaluate newly-proposed dredging areas. A 75% grant from DNR is helping pay for the project.

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## **LAKE GRANTS**

The WLMD has received a Lake Planning Grant from the WDNR. The grant will pay for \$3000 of the water quality monitoring costs for 2005.

The WLMD has applied for a Targeted Runoff Management Grant from DNR to continue the shoreline restoration on the Muskego Canal. The grant application was submitted in early April. Decisions on the applications will be made in mid to late- summer. Those residents who are planning to participate should expect everything to be in place for the 2006 construction season, if we are awarded the grant.

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## **LAKE FAIR ON EAGLE LAKE**

The Eagle Lake Property Owners Improvement Association (ELPOIA) is having a 2nd lake fair on June 25th. The Lake Fair will be held at the County Park on Church Rd, in the Town of Dover, on the North shore of Eagle Lake. This is a good opportunity to learn more about shoreline restoration (they will have boat tours of new projects), fish monitoring, water quality testing, harvesting, etc. Its a great way to spend some time with the family, where all can enjoy that day. The fair will run from 9 am to 4 pm.

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## **LAKE GROUPS MEET**

WLMD board members have been meeting with other Racine County lake groups for the past 1-1/2 years. The meetings are a way for sharing information and problems, and are a great way to learn from the other groups. As groups work to do more with less, this is more important than ever. Participating groups include the Browns Lake Sanitary District, Bohners Lake Sanitary District, the new Waterford Waterways District, Eagle Lake District and Association, Waubeesee, Long and Wind Lake districts. Meetings are currently held quarterly at the Norway Town Hall.



**SECTION IV. REASONS FOR AQUATIC PLANT CONTROL**

Purpose of Aquatic Plant Control	Nuisance Caused By
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Reduce nuisance algae accumulation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Algae
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Maintain navigational channel for common use	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Emergent water plants (majority of leaves and stems growing above water surface, e.g. cattails, bulrushes)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Maintain private access for boating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Floating water plants (majority of leaves floating on water surface, e.g., waterlilies, duckweed)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Maintain private access for fishing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Submerged water plants (leaves and stems below water surface, flowering parts may be exposed, e.g. milfoil, coontail)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. Improve swimming	<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Control of purple loosestrife	
<input type="checkbox"/> 7. Other: _____	

Name of Plant, if known: *Coontail*  
*Eumyriopsis*  
*Coontail*  
*Flowering Algae*

NOTE: Different plants require different chemicals for effective treatment. Do not purchase chemical before identifying plants.

*in N.W. channels - water lilies - eelgrass - Coontail*

**SECTION V. CHEMICAL CONTROL**

Alternatives to Chemical Control	Feasible?	If No, Why Not?
1. Mechanical harvesting	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<i>No Depth</i>
2. Hand pulling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>On going</i>
3. Hand raking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>u u</i>
4. Hand cutting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>u u</i>
5. Sediment screen/lovers	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<i>No Depth.</i>
6. Dredging	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<i>Not feasible</i>
7. Lake drawdown	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<i>u u</i>
8. Nutrient controls in watershed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<i>On going</i>
9. Other:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

NOTE: If proposed treatment involves multiple properties, please consider feasibility of EACH alternative for EACH property owner. If you checked yes to any of the alternatives listed above, please explain your decision to use chemical controls:

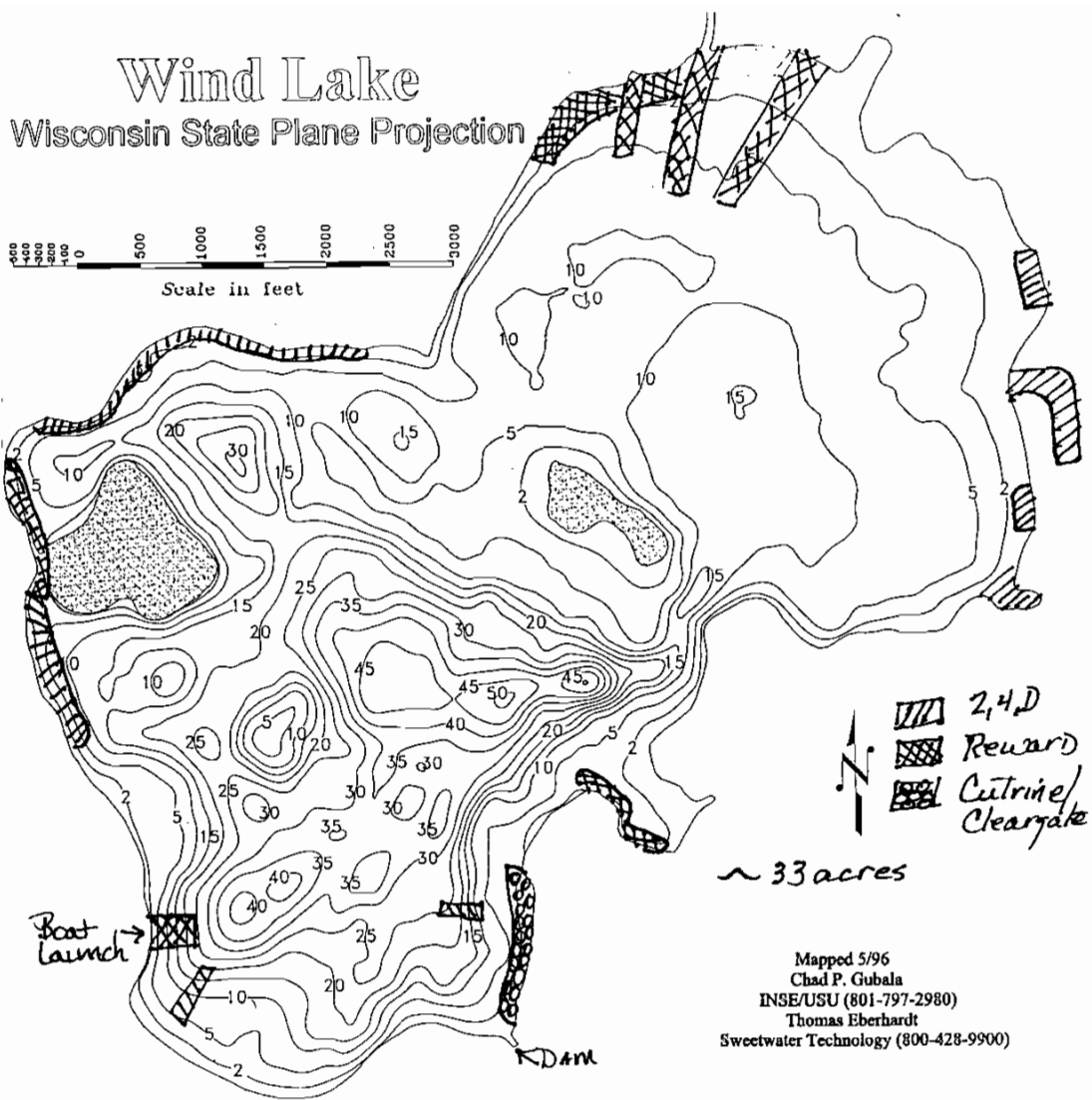
*Insufficient to provide control*

Trade Name of Proposed Chemical(s): *Cutrine Plus Cleargate, Mavugite*  
*Wettable Granular Aquathol E, Tricklepore*

Method of Application: *Sprayer & Spreader*

Which Chemicals or Other Control Options Have Been Tried Before On This Property, and What Were the Results?  
*All of above - effective*

NOTE: Chemical fact sheets for aquatic pesticides used in Wisconsin are available from the Department of Natural Resources upon request.



## CHEMICAL TREATMENT NOTICE - 2005

If you **DO NOT** want your shoreline to be treated, you must return this form as soon as possible.

I hereby request that my shoreline NOT be chemically treated. I understand that not treating my shoreline will not reduce my tax.

Name (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Lake Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Key Number \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Mandatory) \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be returned by May 15, 2005!**

Send to: WLMD, 30910 Royal Hill Rd., Wind Lake, WI 53185

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## GOOSE ROUNDUP APPROVAL FORM - 2005

The WLMD has my permission to enter onto my property to catch geese.

Name (PRINT) \_\_\_\_\_

Lake Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

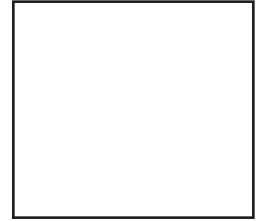
Signature (Mandatory) \_\_\_\_\_

**This form must be returned by June 1, 2005!**

Send to: WLMD, 30910 Royal Hill Rd., Wind Lake, WI 53185

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Wind Lake Management District  
30910 Royal Hill Rd.  
Burlington, WI 53105



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## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Jim Marks	895-7872
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Commissioners meetings are usually held the 4th Thursday of every month, with the November and December meeting combined. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm at the Norway Town Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## NEED MORE INFO?

If you are, call us! We can provide information about lakeside living and boating ordinances.

Or check out our website. The site has:

- meetings, schedules, agendas, and minutes
- links to other lake-related sites
- information about who to contact for various activities
- the latest lake depth map of Wind Lake
- other special notices as needed are also posted on the site.

## FERTILIZER USE

Spring means green lawns for many of us. If you live near, or your area drains to the lake, consider using fertilizer without phosphorus. Soil tests in our area show that plenty of phosphorus is in the soils. Adding more doesn't help, it just washes off. And its the nitrogen that greens things up.

Phosphorus, and to a lesser extent, nitrogen, contribute to increased plant and algae growth in lakes.

Phosphorus-free fertilizer, look for a 0 in the center number of the container, is available at a number of locations in the area. If you use a lawn service, request a no-phosphorus blend. Most will comply because they are using it in areas with phosphorus bans.