



Annual Recognition and Information Meeting
Wednesday, August 20, 2014
Rice Lake City Hall

Presented by: Dave Blumer, Lake Education and Planning Services, LLC

Order of Events

- Presentation
 - Special Recognition of Dan Graff, Lake Educator 2011-13
 - Recognition of 2014 Lake District Board Members, Staff, Volunteers, Community Partners, and Resource Professionals
 - Current projects
 - Next Steps/future projects
- Lake District August 2014 Board Meeting
 - Standing Committee Reports
 - Comprehensive Plan
 - Projects to consider for the 2015 budget year
 - Other miscellaneous business (see agenda)
 - **YOU ARE ALL WELCOME TO STAY FOR THE MEETING IF YOU SO DESIRE!!**

Rice Lake District Educator



“Clean Boats, Clean Waters” Fishing
Opener, Orchard Beach Landing
May 4, 2013

THANK YOU!!

Dan Graff – Lake Educator Extraordinaire!

(CBCW, AIS Monitoring, Water Quality Testing, Shoreland Improvement, City Beach, Stormwater Runoff, Public Education, 53 & V, Boater’s Safety, Public Awareness, and More!!)

2014-15 RL-LPRD Board Members

- Dan Genereau – Chair/City Representative
- Mick Michaelsen – Secretary/Operations Manager
- Don Putnam – Treasurer/Township Representative
- Jerry McRoberts – Barron County Representative
- Doug Pitts – Commissioner/Grant Coordinator
- Don Clemens – Commissioner
- Jerry Gerber – Commissioner
- Barb Smith – Citizen Representative



THANK YOU

Rice Lake District Committees

- Inter-governmental – Dan Genereau, Chair
- Finance and Grant Administration – Doug Pitts, Chair
- Lake Operations – Mick Michaelsen, Chair
- Native Plant Restoration – Don Clemens, Chair
- Public Information – Gerry Gerber, Chair
- Lake Education – Vacant (?)
- Nominating – Dan Genereau, Chair

Committee Members are from both the community and the LD Board. If there are other members of the public who are interested in being a part of one of the LD Committees, please contact a Board Member.

Community Participants are Welcomed!!

2014 Lake District Employees

- **Jeff Smith** – Chief Operator, AIS, WQ
- **Bob Sharp** – Chief’s Assistant, AIS, WQ
- **Sharon Pacholski** – Recording Secretary, Webpage, CBCW Coordinator #1
- **Nick Merkt** – CBCW Coordinator #2
- **Dave Blumer (LEAPS)** – Lake Educator



2014 Lake District Volunteers

- Tom Flaskamp
- Larry Fleming
- Samantha Gesland
- Mary Kay Merkt
- Mr. Merkt
- Doug Pitts
- Logan Blumer
- Henry Hodkiewicz
- Mitchell Goettl
- Lana Blumer
- Paul Pacholski
- Adam Nielsen
- Sam Kraha
- Jami Brackeen
- Lindsey Christianson
- Kelsey Christianson
- Emma Nielsen
- Dave Blumer
- Joan Gesland
- Amanda Nelson
- Sawyer Denison
- Laney Marcon
- Brianna Mackey
- Daniel Gesland
- Ellie Nielsen
- Sarah Shervey
- Brendan Rohlik
- McKenzie Orr
- Nina Blake
- Alexander Britton
- John Williams
- Dan Graff
- Helen Blumer
- Eric Blumer
- Kirsten King
- Mrs. Smith (Jeff's wife)



THANK YOU

Community Partners

- Culvers Frozen Custard
- Gordys IGA
- Brew House Coffee
- City of Rice Lake
- Operation City Pride
- Northshore Resort
- Rice Lake Public Library
- Community Bank of Northern Wisconsin
- Chippewa Valley Stormwater Forum



Resource Professionals

- WDNR

- Russ King, Smith

- Barron

- Tyler

- Washburn

- Brent

- Lake Ecology Planning

- Dave

- Axley Associates

- Timothy Fenner

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2014-15 Bear and Rice Lake Watershed Improvement Project

Bear Lake Association/Rice Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District

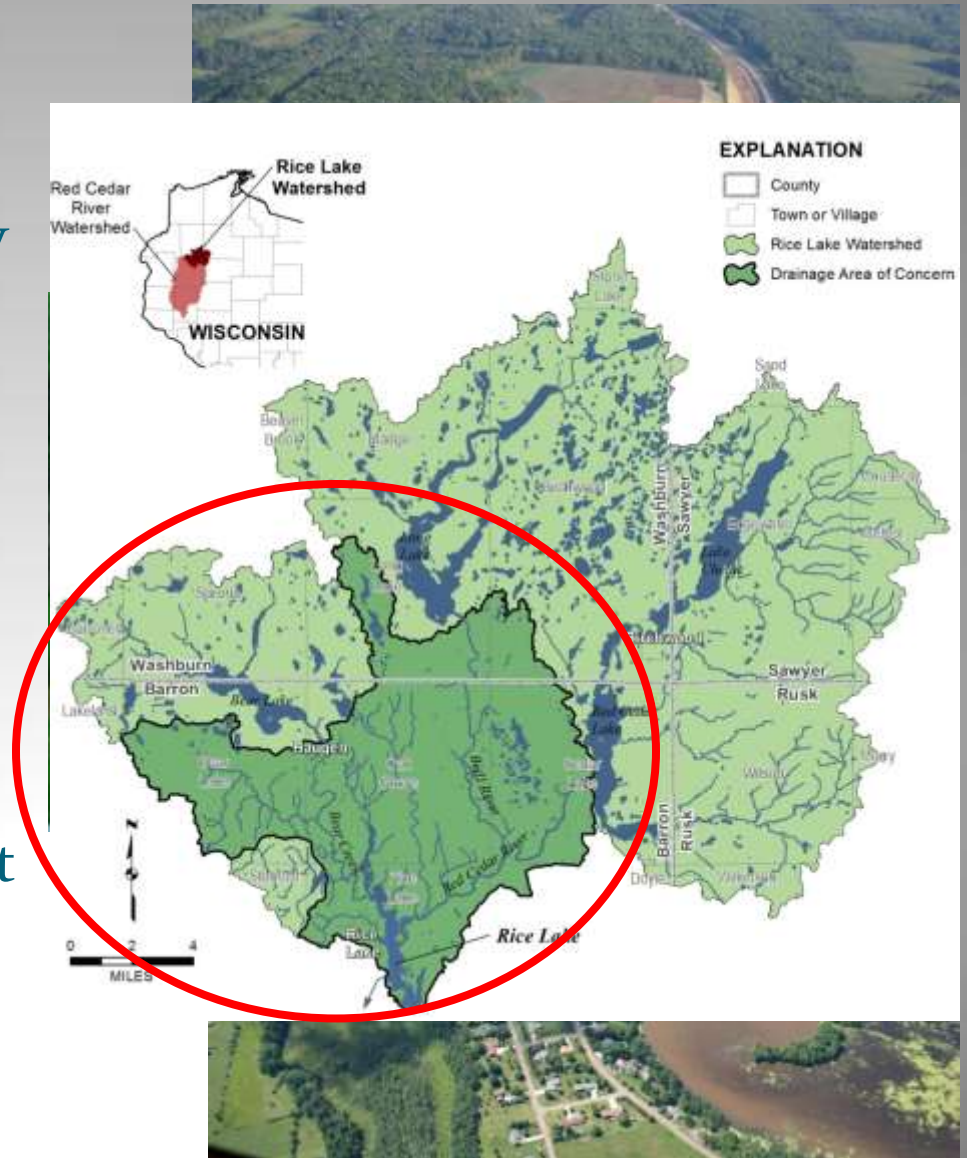


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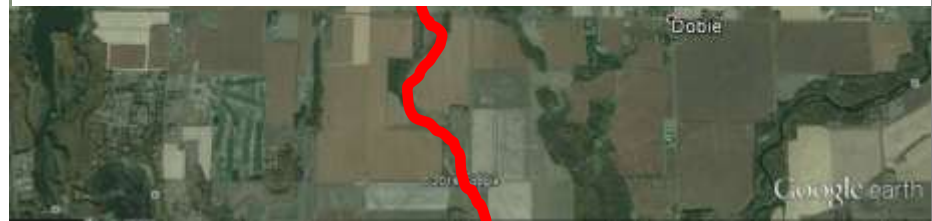
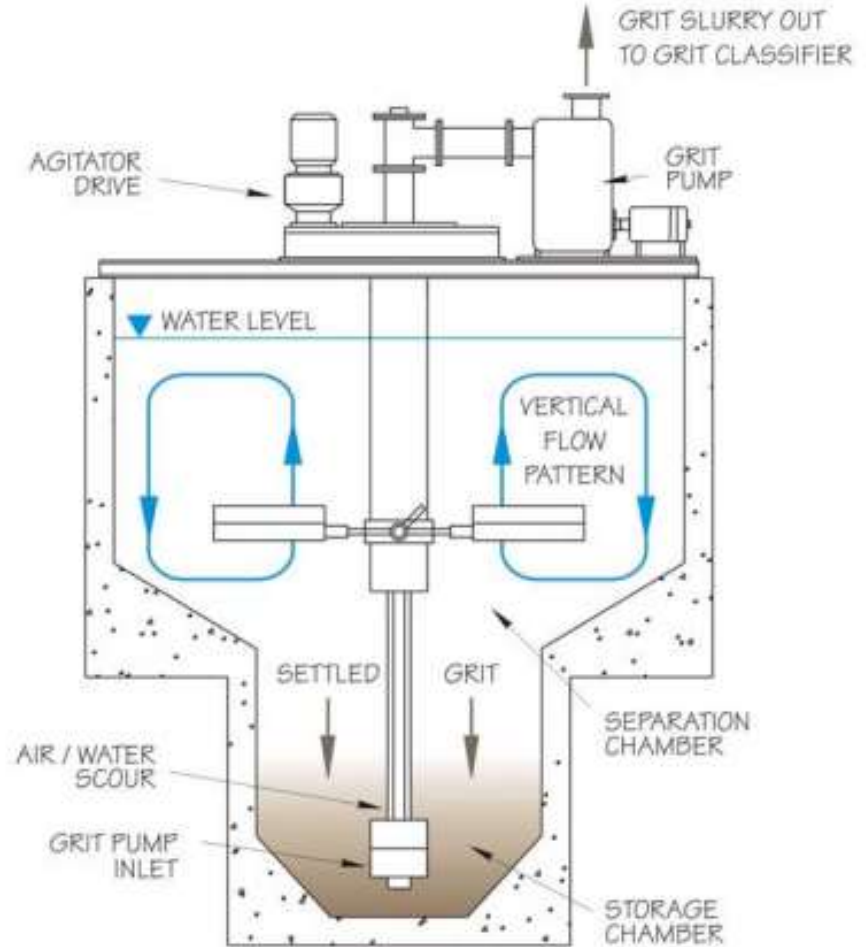
What is it?

- WDOT “Settlement” money (\$70,000.00) from 2012 sediment release from 53 & V construction site
- Rice Lake, Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District and Bear Lake Association
- Shovel ready nutrient and sediment reduction projects in the two watersheds.
- Barron & Washburn County, City of Rice Lake, and Project Consultants
- Projects not really limited, but must be approved by the WDNR



Projects

- Securing of construction material dump sites
 - No till, cover crops, field borders
- Bear Creek/Brill River Habitat Improvement-Extended Buffers
- Bear Lake Boat Landing Improvement
- Agricultural Grassed Waterways
- Installation of Grit Chamber on Humbird Street in Rice Lake
- Individual Farm Projects:
 - Farmyard waterway improvement, no till planting, cover crops, erosion sites, nutrient management plans, etc.
- **Other Projects will and are being considered**




Shoreland Improvement and Runoff Reduction Project

- What is it?

- \$20,000 allocated in the Annual Lake District Budget
- Lakeshore and greater lake district area
- Stormwater runoff education
- Projects to reduce runoff, restore shoreland areas, improve buffers
- Free project planning services
 - The Green Frog Co – Amanda Kostner
- 50% reimbursement, up to \$500/project

- Special Projects

- Examples: Shutlick Park, NLHOF Park



The Green Frog Co.

Shoreline Restoration · Conservation Landscaping
Environmental Education

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Lake Education

- Clean Boats, Clean Waters
- AIS Education/Monitoring
- Public Awareness/Events
 - Fishing Opener, Musky Opener, Aquafest, Barron County Fair
 - Local presentations
 - RL Chronotype Articles
- Recognition and Information Meeting
- Annual Meeting
 - October 15, 2014, 6:30pm, Rice Lake City Hall



Lake and Aquatic Plant Management Planning

- **Comprehensive Lake Management Plan**
 - New in 2014
 - Guides water quality and watershed improvement projects
- **Aquatic Plant Management Plan**
 - New in 2014
 - Replaces 2009 Plan
 - Guides aquatic plant management actions
 - Full implementation in 2015
- **Posted on the Lake District Webpage**
 - www.rllakedistrict.org

Continuing Projects

- Curly-leaf pondweed and nuisance aquatic plant management
 - Harvesting and herbicide use
- Water quality monitoring
 - Volunteer and Lake District
 - Three sites
- Lake clean-up and debris removal
- Inter-governmental involvement/politics
 - City of Rice Lake MS4 designation
 - Red Cedar River Watershed TMDL
- Identifying and responding to issues that affect the lake
 - Buoys, channel markers and no wake
 - Ice races and other lake use
 - Sediment releases, from upstream, old hospital demolition site, and new Industrial Park
 - Water level
- Grant writing and administration
 - Lake Protection Grant Application (February 1, 2015)
 - Support implementation of Comprehensive Plan

New Projects Being Considered

- **Lake District Grant Coordinator**
- **Lake Educator Position**
- **Newspaper Public Awareness Campaign**
- **Support of Handicap Fishing Pier at NLHOF Park**
- **Support of New City Beach**
- **Other Community Projects**
 - **LOOKING FOR SUGGESTIONS/REQUESTS FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS**
 - Considered for the 2015 Budget Year
 - Must benefit the lake or watershed

Questions or Comments?

