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Roland Peterson
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 Subject: Apple River Flowage Aquatic Plant Management Plan (APM Plan) Approval Request

Dear Mr. Peterson,

Thank you for your efforts to understand, protect, and improve the Apple River Flowage! This letter is to notify you that the September 2017 APM Plan meets the criteria of Administrative Code NR 109 and thus, the DNR has approved the Plan. Approved management activities in the plan and outlined below are eligible for funding under Lake Management Planning, Lake Protection and Classification, and Aquatic Invasive Species grants subject to the application requirements of those programs.

Approved management recommendations include the following:

1. AIS prevention activities including watercraft inspection and volunteer monitoring.
2. Species-specific AIS monitoring and management, provided it meets DNR guidelines and approval specifications.
3. Educational activities, including AIS workshops, signage, etc.

Please note: 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 continuing to protect and improve the Apple River Flowage.

Sincerely,

Alex Smith

Lake Biologist

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