To the Town of Barnes AIS Committee:

Due to a prior commitment, I will not be able to make the AIS Committee meeting tonight, 6/12/17. I apologize for any inconvenience, and have written a short report of highlights below.

Between this meeting and the last, I volunteered with LEEP Field Day, assisting with macroinvertebrates and aquatic plants. Jerry and I discussed a couple of changes to make for next year to more evenly distribute how much time students spend at our stations.

Received the notification that the Town of Barnes and Friends of the Eau Claire Lakes Area had received a 2017 Invader Crusader Award.

Set up a display at the Chequamegon Bay Birding and Nature Festival, made many solid contacts that had a thirst for knowledge regarding AIS

Provided extensive reporting at the Bayfield County AIS Committee meeting. Jim Giffin from Lake Minnesuing in Douglas County attended this meeting to see what we do over here and how he might be able to get an AIS Coordinator for Douglas County.

Trained our interns

Operated the AIS Booth at Kids Fishing Day in cooperation with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Forest Service, Red Cliff NRD, and National Park Service.

Held hands-on aquatic plant ID and harvesting training at Middle Eau Claire Lake boat landing. Also helped harvest curly-leaf pondweed using the BAISS boat.

Sent the interns out inspect watercraft, wash them, and hand out ice packs during Drain Campaign weekend.