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## APPENDIX A

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**Public Participation Materials**






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## Presentation Outline

- Onterra, LLC
- Why Create a Management Plan?
- Elements of a Lake Management Planning Project
  - Data & Information
  - Planning Process



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## Onterra, LLC

- Founded in 2005
- Staff
  - Two full-time ecologists
  - One part-time paleoecologist
  - Three full-time field technicians
  - Four summer interns
- Services
  - Science and planning
- Philosophy
  - Promote realistic planning
  - Assist, not direct



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## Why create a lake management plan?

- Preserve/restore ecological function to ensure cultural services
- To create a better understanding of lake's positive and negative attributes.
- To discover ways to minimize the negative attributes and maximize the positive attributes.
- Snapshot of lake's current status or health.
- Foster realistic expectations and dispel any misconceptions.

A goal without a plan is just a wish!



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## ***Elements of an Effective Lake Management Planning Project***

**Data and Information Gathering**  
*Environmental & Sociological*

**Planning Process**  
*Brings it all together*




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## ***Data and information gathering***

- Study Components
  - Water Quality Analysis
  - Watershed Assessment
  - Paleocore Collection & Analysis
  - Aquatic Plant Surveys
  - Fisheries Data Integration
  - Shoreland & CWH Assessment
  - Stakeholder Survey




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## ***Water Quality Analysis***

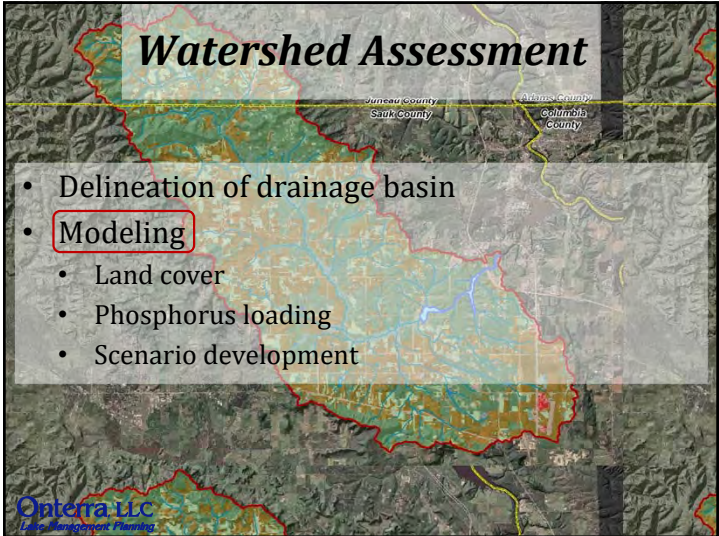
- General water chemistry (current & historical)
  - CLMN Volunteer
- Nutrient analysis
  - Lake trophic state (Eutrophication)
  - Limiting plant nutrient
- Supporting data for watershed modeling



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## ***Watershed Assessment***

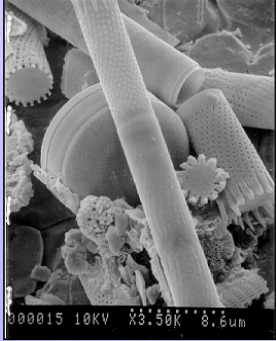
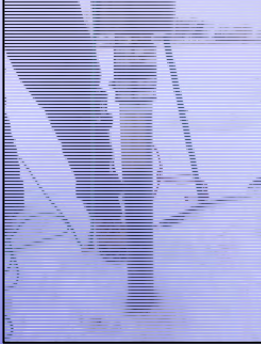


- Delineation of drainage basin
- **Modeling**
  - Land cover
  - Phosphorus loading
  - Scenario development

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### ***Paleocore Collection & Analysis***



Sediment core

Diatoms

000015 10KV X3.50K 8.6um

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### ***Aquatic Plant Surveys***

- Concerned with both native and non-native plants
- Multiple surveys used in assessment
  - Early-Season AIS Survey
  - Whole-lake point-intercept surveys
  - Emergent/Floating-leaf Mapping Survey

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### **Non-native Aquatic Plants**

#### **Curly-leaf Pondweed**




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### **Non-native Aquatic Plants**

#### **Eurasian Water Milfoil**




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### Non-native Aquatic Plants

#### Purple Loosestrife & Pale-yellow Iris




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### Aquatic Plant Point-Intercept Survey

**Towanda Lake**  
39-meter Resolution  
373 Total Points

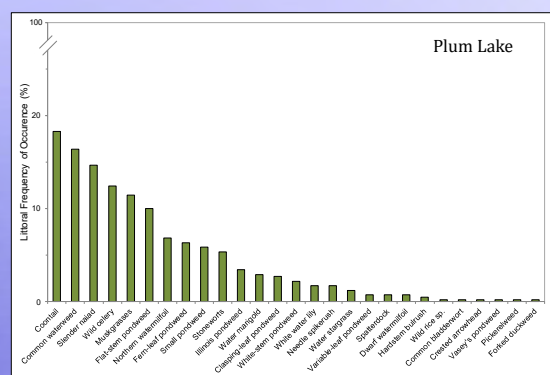


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### Littoral Frequency of Occurrence

Plum Lake



Species	Littoral Frequency of Occurrence (%)
Common waterweed	18
Spatterdock	15
Wick steed	14
Mudspurge	12
Northern pondweed	11
Fern-like pondweed	10
Small pondweed	8
Stonewort	7
Illinoise pondweed	6
Water milfoil	5
Clasping leaf pondweed	4
Water lily	3
White water lily	2
Water spikerush	2
Vernacular pondweed	2
Sp. pondweed	1
Deep waterdock	1
Hickory bush	1
Willow	1
Common bluebell	1
Waterside	1
Plum tree	1
Fern-like pondweed	1

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### Emergent & Floating-leaf Aquatic Plants




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## ***Fisheries Data Integration***

- No fish sampling completed
- Assemble data from WDNR, USGS, USFWS, & GLIFWC
- Fish survey results summaries (if available)
- Use information in planning as applicable



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## ***Shoreland Assessment***

- Shoreland area is important for buffering runoff and provides valuable habitat for aquatic and terrestrial wildlife.
- Assessment ranks shoreland area from shoreline back 35 feet
- Assess shoreland development and habitat
  - Coarse woody habitat

**Urbanized**



Range →

**Natural**




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## ***Stakeholder Survey***

- Standard survey used as base
  - Planning committee develops additional questions and options
  - Must not lead respondent to specific answer through a “loaded” question
- Survey must be approved by WDNR



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## ***Planning Process***

### ***Planning Committee Meetings***

Study Results (including a stakeholder survey)  
Conclusions & Initial Recommendations

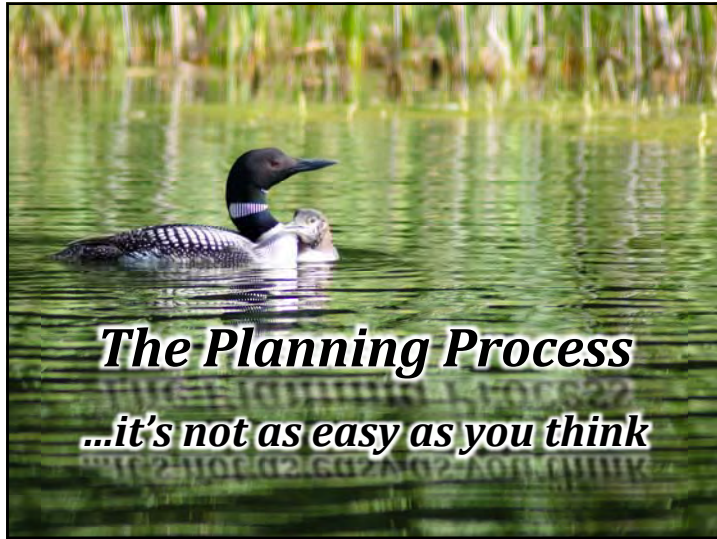
Management Goals  
Management Actions  
Timeframe  
Facilitator(s)

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***Implementation Plan***

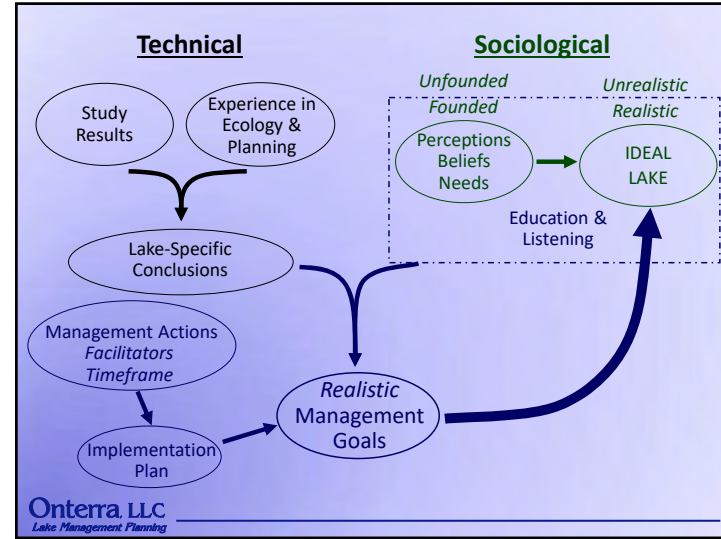


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**Towanda Lake Management Planning Project Planning Meeting I August 30, 2019**

**Tim Hoyman, CLM**  
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**Summary of Project Results**

**Water Quality**

- Water quality is good and has been stable for the past 3 decades.
- Paleocore analysis may have picked up on some slight changes.

**Watershed & Immediate Shoreline**

- Watershed is small and in good condition.
- Changes in watershed and near shore zone would impact lake.

**Fisheries**

- Not much data available, but WDNR is scheduled to complete fishery survey starting fall 2019.

**Aquatic Plant Community**

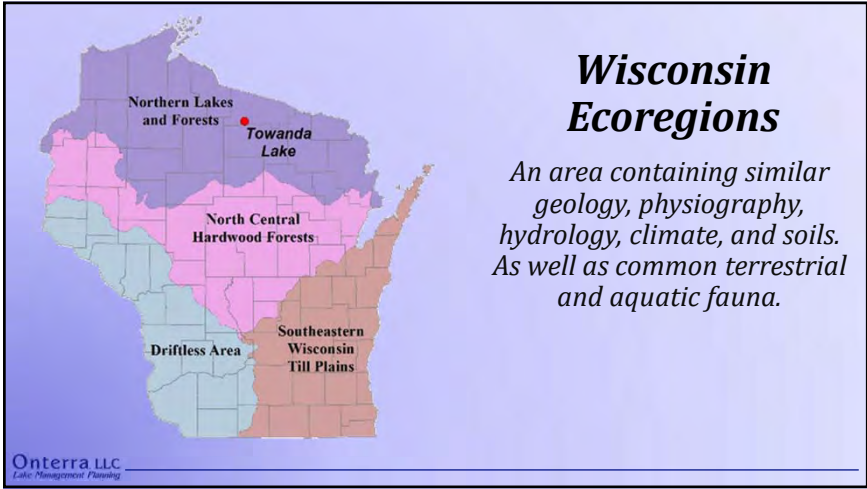
- Aquatic plant community is healthy and of better than average quality

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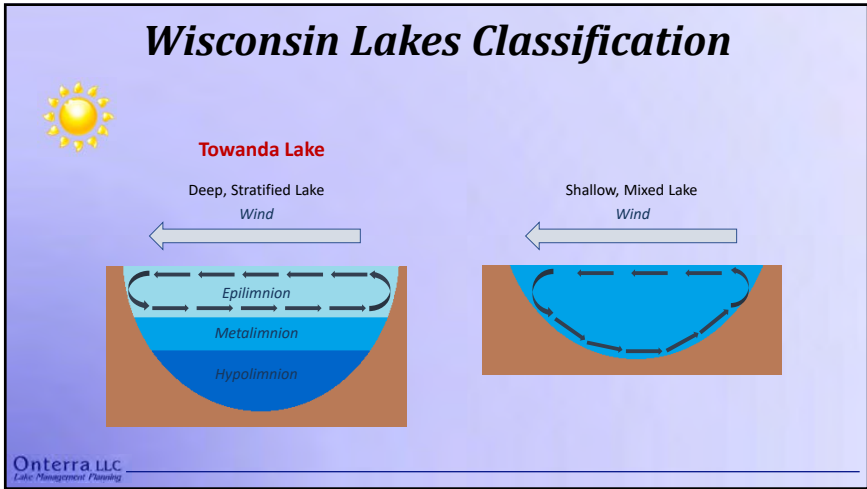
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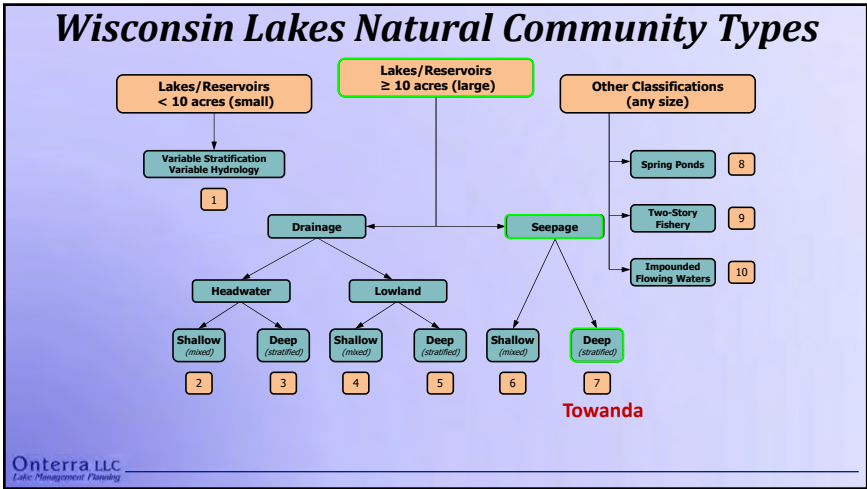
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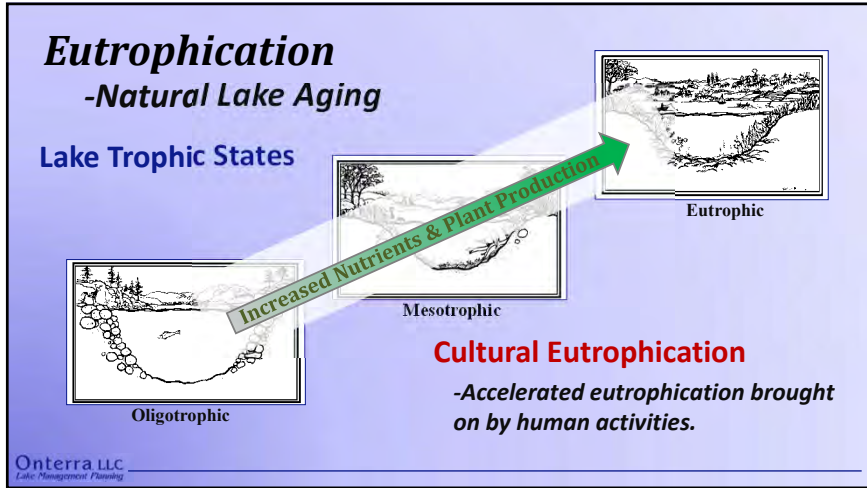
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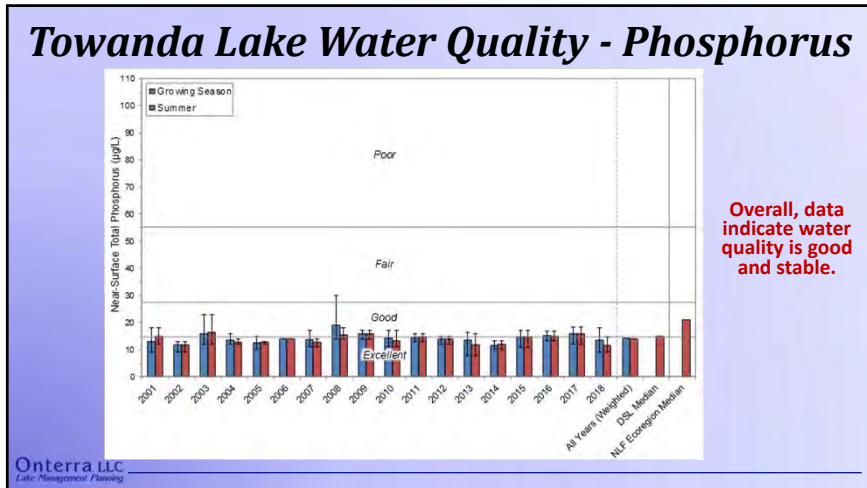
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### Lake Water Quality - Trophic Parameters

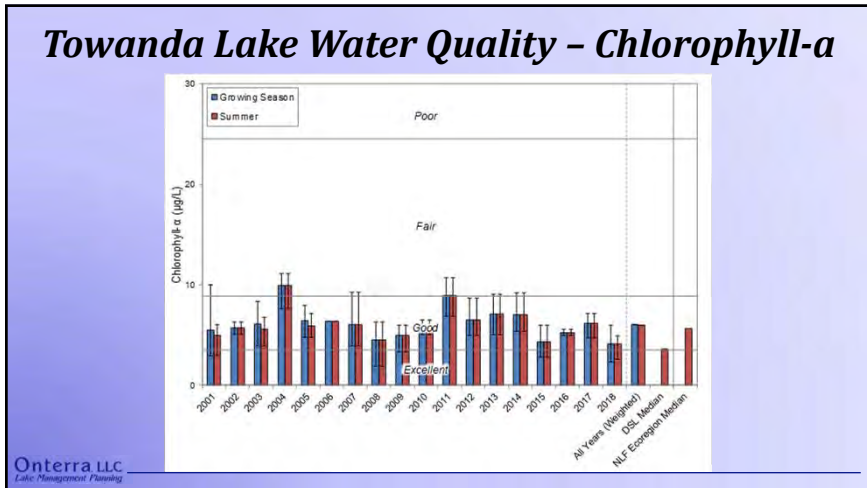
- Phosphorus**  
Naturally occurring & essential for all life  
Regulates phytoplankton biomass in **most** WI lakes  
**Most often 'limiting plant nutrient' (shortest supply)** **N:P = 51:1**  
Human activity often increases P delivery to lakes
- Chlorophyll-a**  
Pigment used in photosynthesis  
Used as surrogate for phytoplankton biomass
- Secchi Disk Transparency**  
Measure of water clarity  
Measured using a Secchi disk

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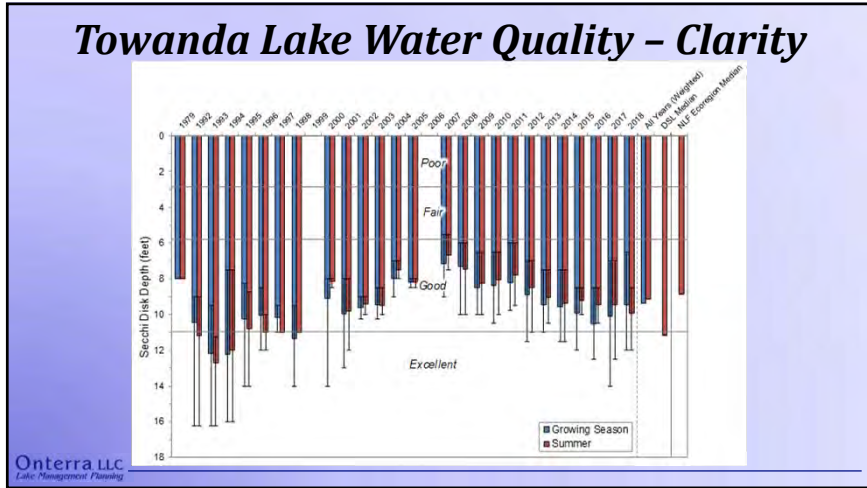
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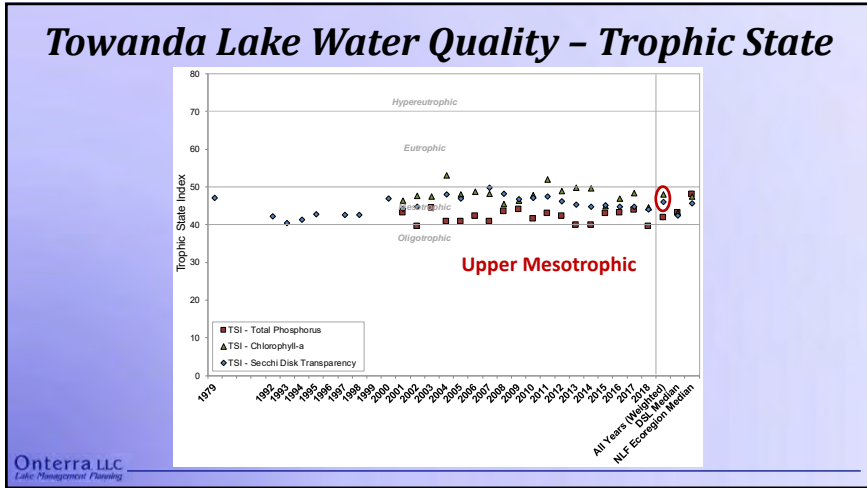
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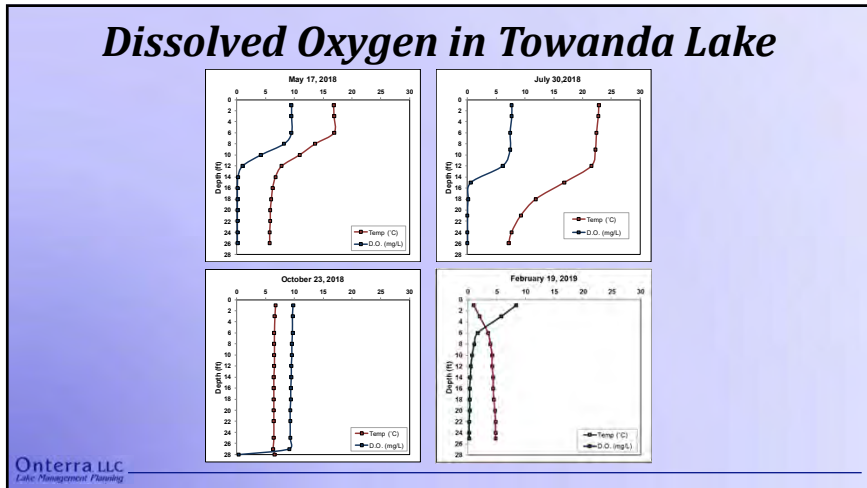
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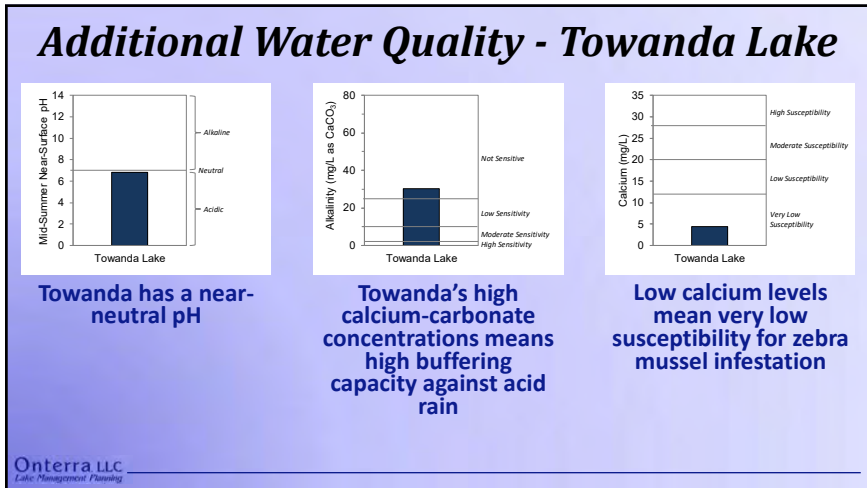
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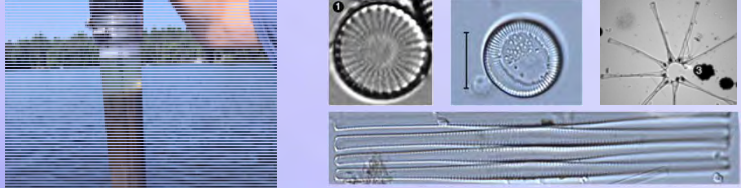


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### Towanda Lake - Paleoecology



#### Top-Bottom Sediment Core Results

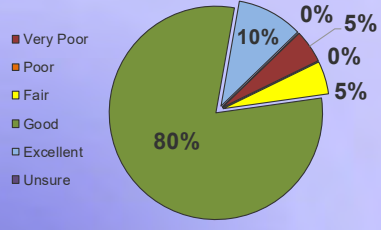
- Prior to European settlement, lake had slightly lower phosphorus and higher clarity.
- Phosphorus is still very low, but a bit higher.

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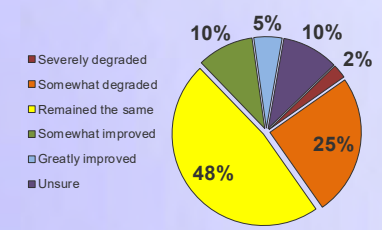
### Water Quality - Stakeholder Survey Questions

**Stakeholder survey response Question #16.** How would you describe the overall current water quality of Towanda Lake?



Category	Percentage
Very Poor	0%
Poor	0%
Fair	5%
Good	80%
Excellent	10%
Unsure	5%

**Stakeholder survey response Question #17.** How has the overall water quality changed in Towanda Lake since you first visited the lake?



Category	Percentage
Severely degraded	2%
Somewhat degraded	10%
Remained the same	48%
Somewhat improved	10%
Greatly improved	5%
Unsure	10%

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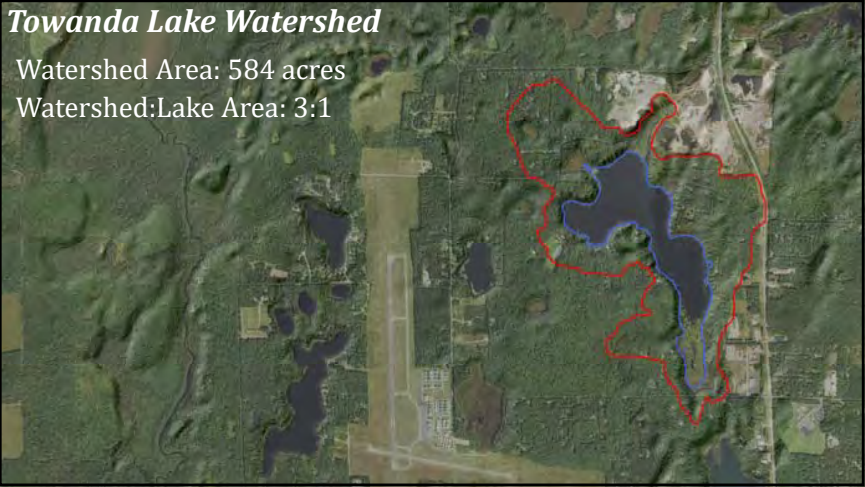
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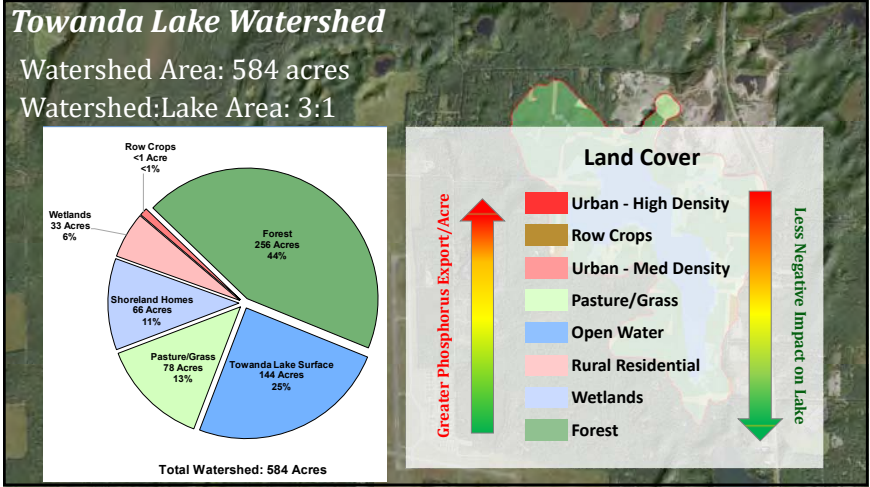
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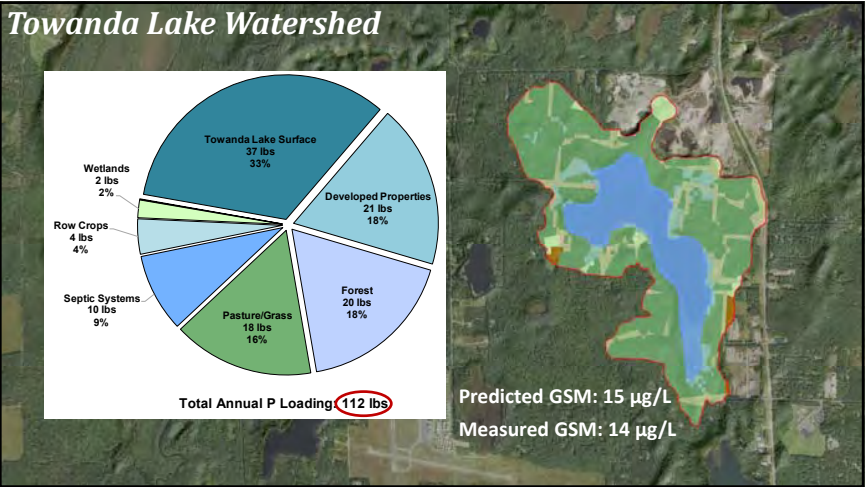
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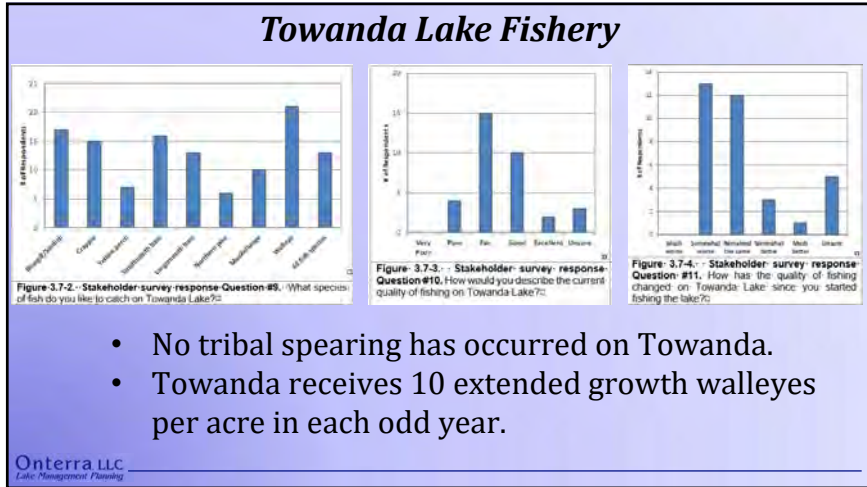
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- No tribal spearing has occurred on Towanda.
- Towanda receives 10 extended growth walleyes per acre in each odd year.

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### Aquatic Plant Surveys

- Assess both native and non-native populations
- Numerous surveys completed in 2018
  - Early-Season AIS Survey
  - Whole-Lake Point-Intercept Survey
  - Emergent/Floating-Leaf Community Mapping Survey

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373 Total Points  
Compare: No Earlier Data

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### Aquatic Plant Species List

**44 Native Species Total**  
**28 Native Species on Rake**  
**1 Non-Native Species**  
**2 Special Concern Species**  
**Reed canary grass**  
**Northern Naiad**  
**Northeastern Bladderwort**

Growth Form	Scientific Name	Common Name	Coefficient of Conservatism (C)	2018 Occurrence
Emergent	Carex comosa	Baldy sedge	1	I
	Cadulus mariscoides	Smooth sedgegrass	10	I
	Dalmania arifoliosa	Thicket sedge	9	I
	Echinochloa polystachya	Creeping sedgegrass	6	I
	Glyceria canadensis	Ratherlike grass	7	I
	Juncus brachycephalus	Small-headed rush	10	I
	Juncus effusus	Bald rush	4	I
	Phalaris arundinacea	Reed canary grass	Exotic	I
	Sagittaria latifolia	Common arrowhead	3	I
	Scheuchzeria palustris	Hardstem bulrush	5	I
FL	Scheuchzeria palustris	Bulrush	5	I
	Scirpus capurus	Wool grass	4	I
	Sagittaria	Arrowhead	1	I
	Sparganium angustifolium	Sparganium	7	X
	Najas spp.	Stonewort	7	X
	Ruppia variolata	Spatterdock	6	X
	Najas spp.	Stonewort	6	X
	Hydrocotyle umbellata	Whisk water	6	X
	Potamogeton amplifolius	Water smartweed	5	I
	Sparganium angustifolium	Narrow-leaf sparganium	9	I
Submergent	Sparganium angustifolium	Sparganium	10	I
	Chara spp.	Maskgrass	7	X
	Eelodea canadensis	Common waterweed	3	X
	Elodea canadensis	Waterweed	3	X
	Myriophyllum terrestre	Deaf waterlily	10	X
	Najas spp.	Stonewort	6	X
	Najas gracilior	Northern naiad	7 (Special Concern)	X
	Najas spp.	Stonewort	7	X
	Potamogeton amplifolius	Large-leaf pondweed	7	X
	Potamogeton amplifolius	Stonewort	7	X
SSE	Potamogeton amplifolius	Large-leaf pondweed	8	X
	Potamogeton amplifolius	Stonewort	7	X
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	Utricularia minor	Bladderwort	10	X

FL = Floating Leaf, PLE = Floating Leaf and Emergent, SSE = Submergent and Emergent, FF = Free Floating  
 \* = Occurs on rake during point-source survey; I = Incidental Species


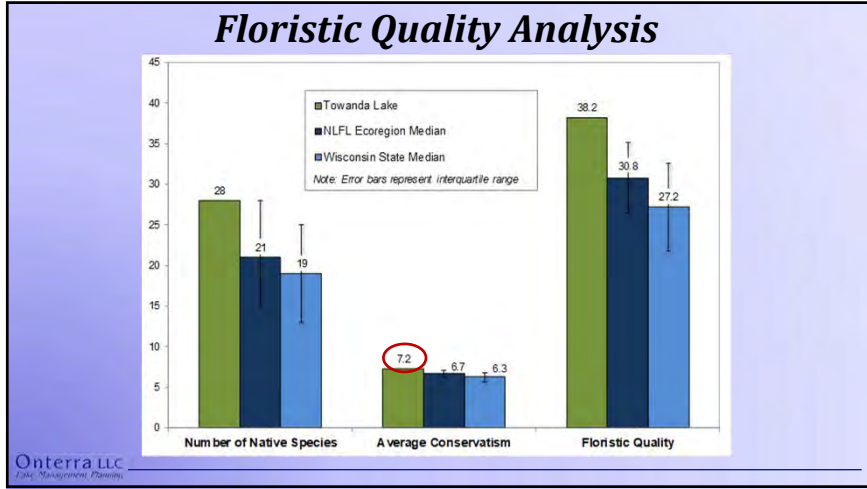
### Vegetation Analysis Matrices

#### Floristic Quality Analysis

Evaluates the closeness of an area's flora to undisturbed conditions.

$$I = \bar{C} \times \sqrt{N}$$

- I** Floristic Quality Index
- C̄** Average Species Conservatism  
1 - 10, higher number requires less disturbed condition
- N** Number of Native Species  
Only species encountered on the rake are used (no incidentals)


### Vegetation Analysis Matrices

#### Species Diversity

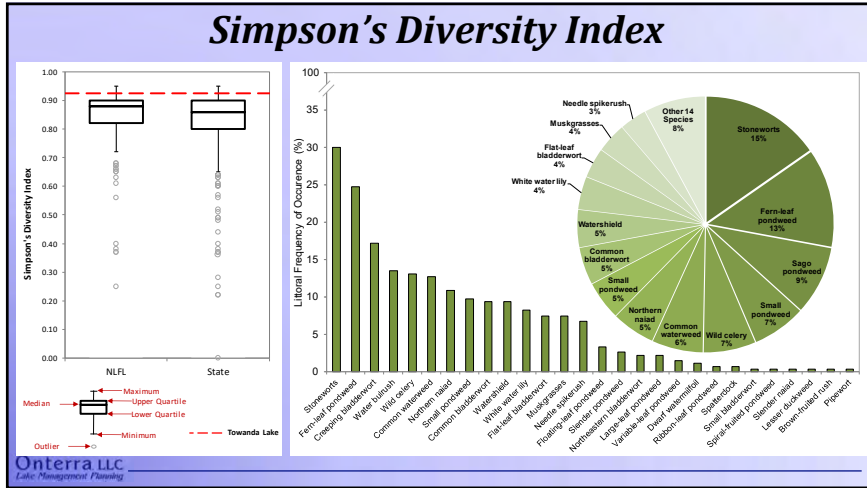
Species diversity utilizes species richness and also takes into account evenness or the variation in abundance of the individual species within the community.

A community of 10 species with the population evenly divided among those species is more diverse than a community of 10 species with 50% of the population in one or two species.

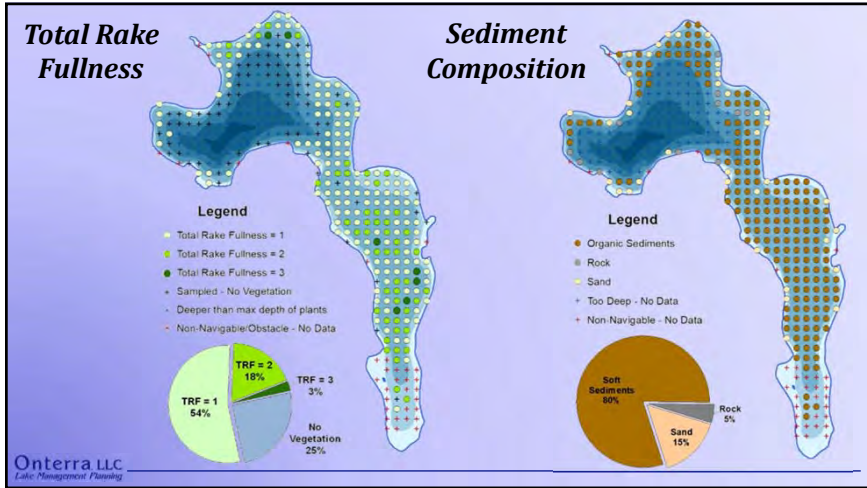
A more diverse community can withstand environmental fluctuations better than a less diversity community.



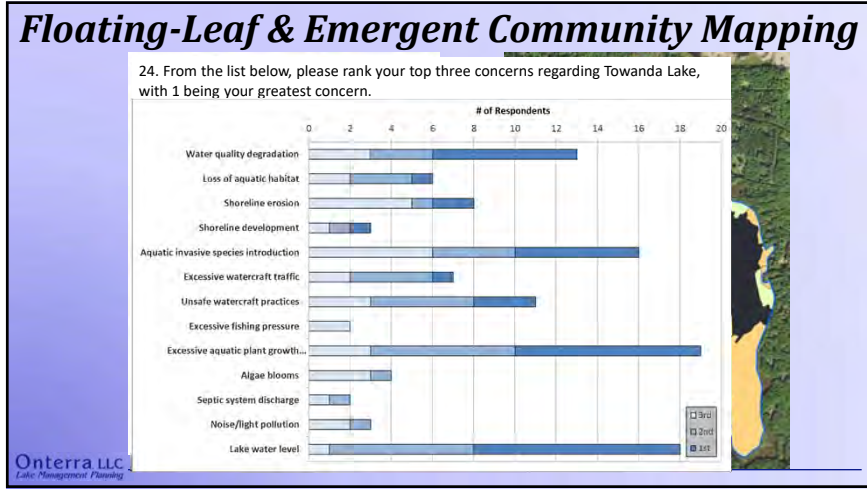




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### Aquatic Plant Control

AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT  
STRATEGY

Northern Region WDNR  
Summer, 2007

Map 7  
Potential Mechanical Harvest Plan v1

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### Dredging

**Three general categories of dredging**

- Manual Dredging** – in many cases can remove up to 3 cu.yd./yr (roughly 100 sq. ft., 1 ft deep) by hand under an exemption.
- Small-Scale Dredging** – Less than 25 cu.yd. can be removed under general permit. Some companies offer this service, but permitting may be a serious issue in the Northwoods. May require sediment testing for contaminants.
- Large-Scale Dredging** – Completed with a hydraulic dredge unit at roughly \$15/cu.yd. Dredging 1-acre of lake bottom 3-feet deeper (4,840 cu.yd.) costs about \$72,600.

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- Water quality is good due to groundwater inputs and watershed condition.
- Paleocological analysis detected a small increase in phosphorus and slightly worse water clarity since European settlement – this is not unexpected.
- Lake is currently moderately productive.

### Watershed

- Watershed is small and contains some of the best landcover types.
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**Shoreland Condition & Coarse Woody Habitat**

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- EPA National Lakes Assessment results indicate shoreland development has greatest negative impact to health of our nation's lakes.

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Range →

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### Shoreline Assessment Category Descriptions

More Natural Habitat →



				
Urbanized	Developed-Unnatural	Developed-Semi-Natural	Developed-Natural	Natural/Undeveloped
				

← Greater Need for Restoration

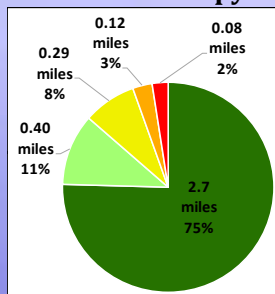


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### Shoreland Condition

#### Percent Canopy



Category	Miles	Percentage
Dark Green	2.7	75%
Light Green	0.40	11%
Yellow	0.29	8%
Orange	0.12	3%
Red	0.08	2%

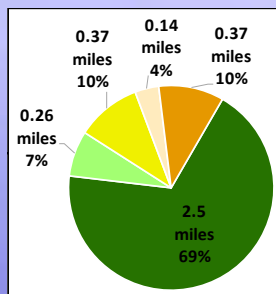


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### Shoreland Condition

#### Percent Shrub/Herbaceous

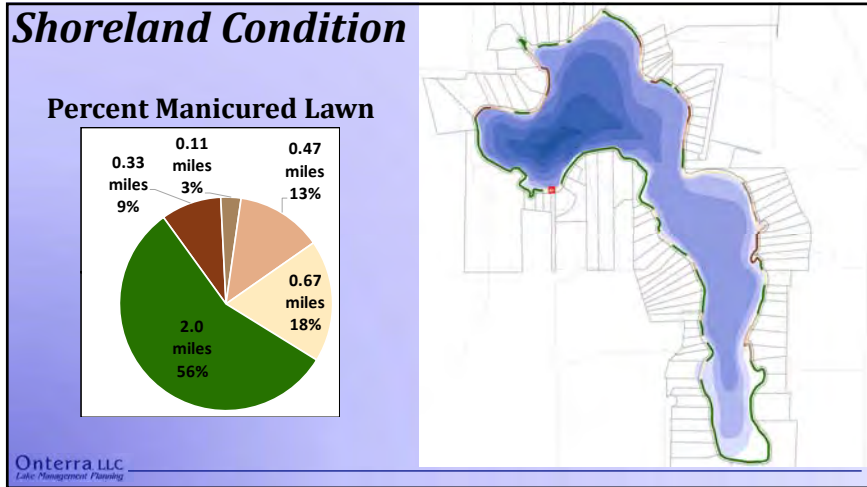


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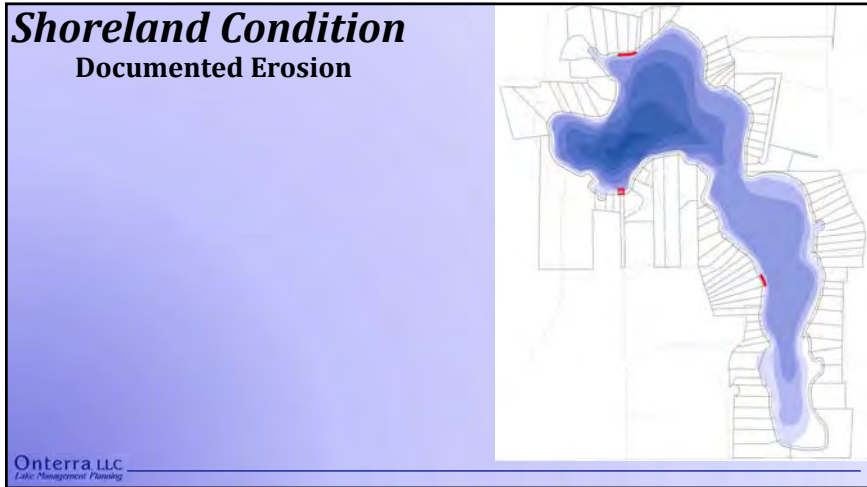


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**Towanda Lake Management Planning Project**  
*Wrap-Up Presentation*  
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**Presentation Outline**

- Lake Management Planning Project Overview
- Study Conclusions
- Study Results
  - Water Quality
  - Watershed
  - Aquatic Plants
- Implementation Plan




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**Management Planning Project Overview**

**Collect and compile information about lake**  
*Includes both environmental & sociological data*  
*Historical & current information*  
*Past management actions*

**Create a realistic and implementable management plan**  
*Challenges facing lake and lake group*  
*Create goals that will address challenges*  
*Develop actions that will meet goals*  
*Assign timeframes & facilitators*



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**Conclusions**

**Overarching Conclusion: Towanda Lake is ecologically healthy.**

**Water Quality**

- Water quality is good due to groundwater inputs and watershed condition.
- Paleoecological analysis detected a small increase in phosphorus and slightly worse water clarity since European settlement – this is not unexpected.


**Watershed**

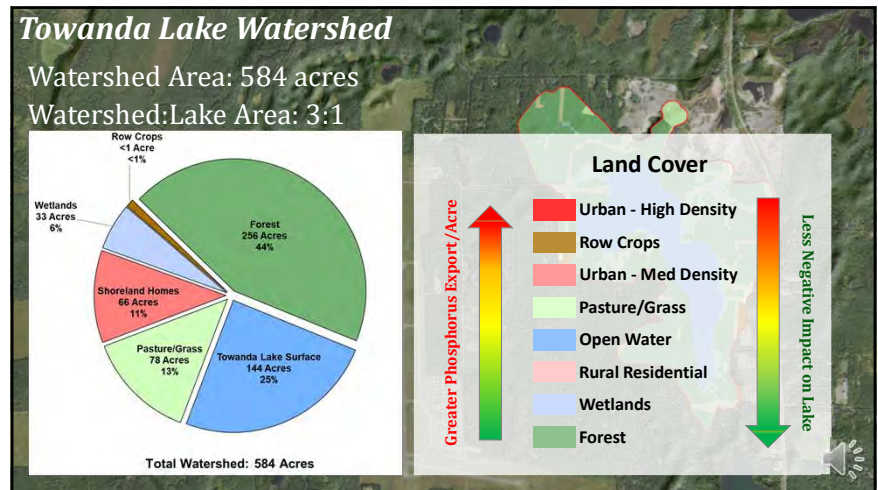
- Watershed is small and contains some of the best landcover types.
- Changes in nearshore areas will likely have the greatest impact on lake ecology.

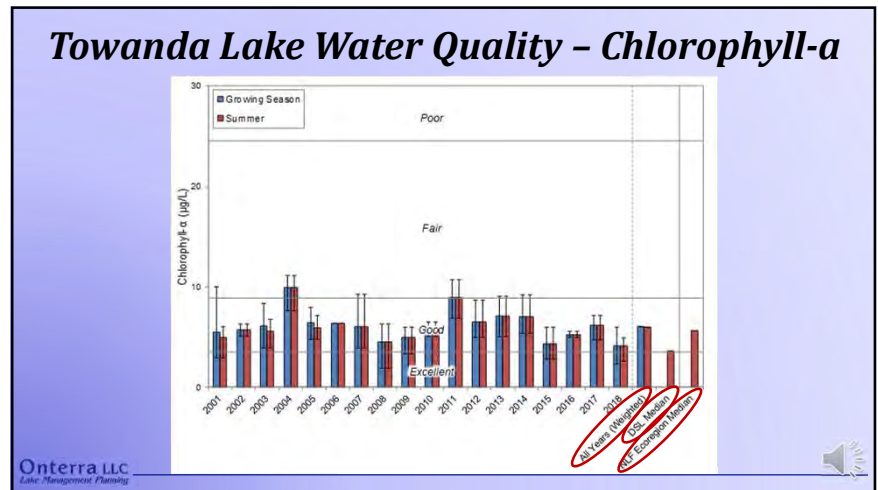
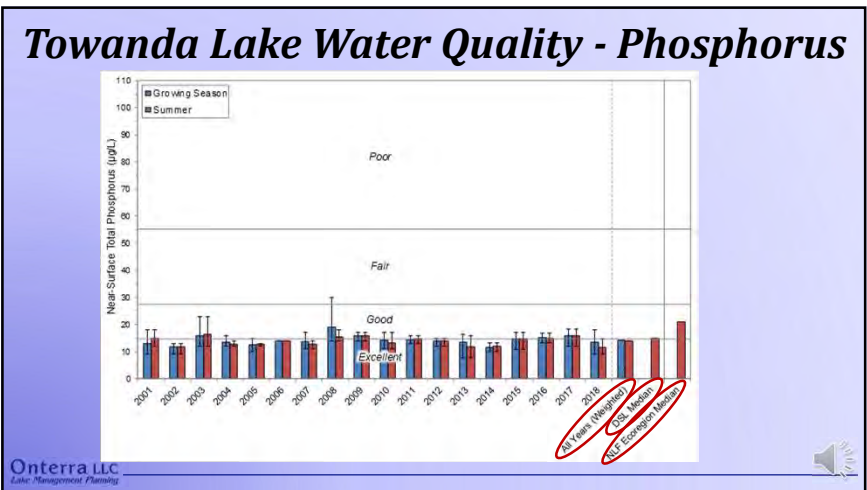
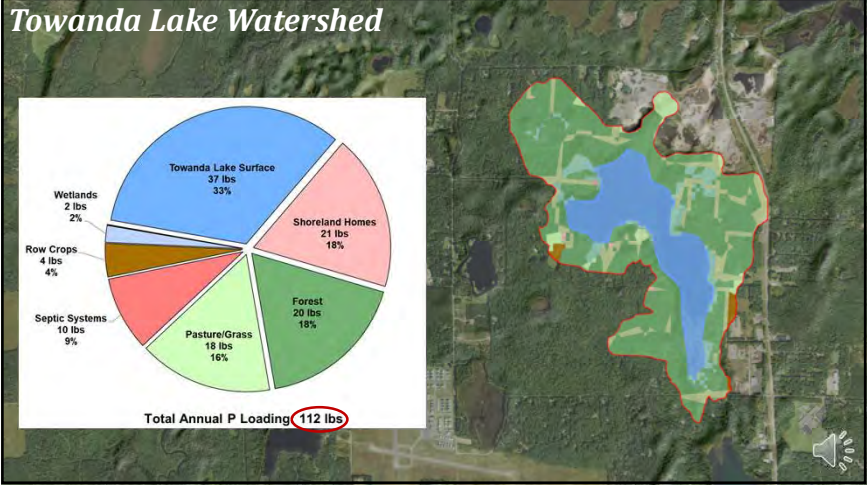
**Aquatic Plant Community**

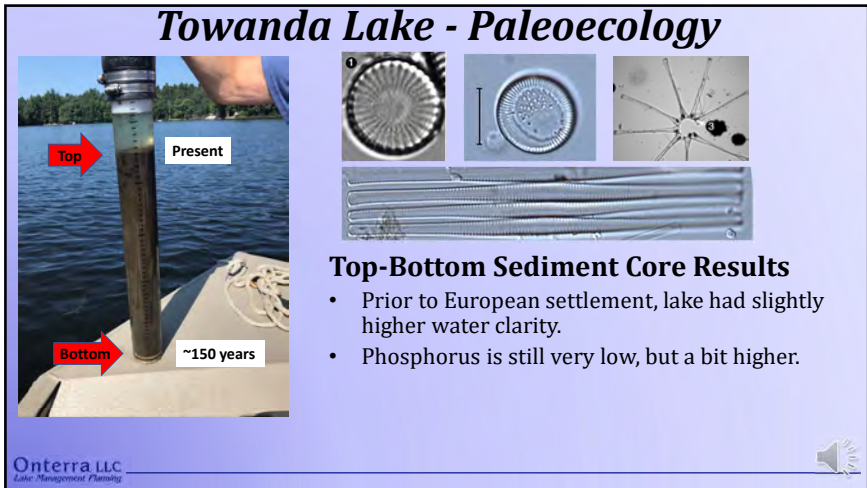
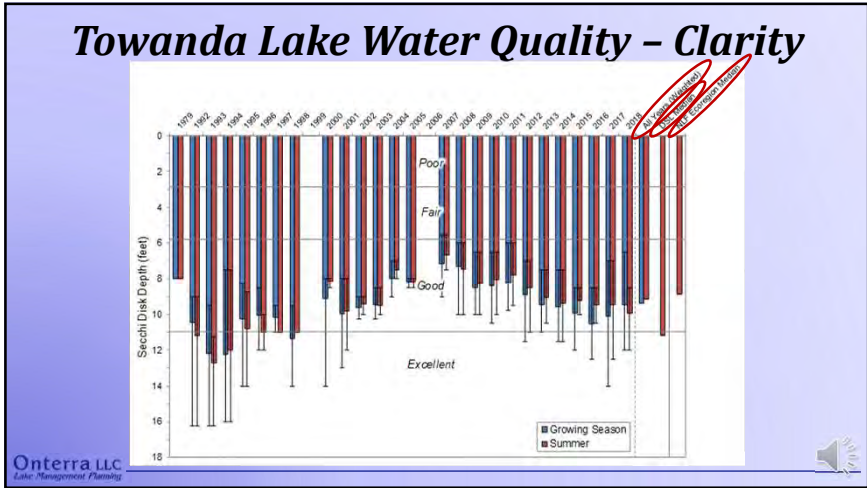
- Plant community is of high quality and diversity.
- Potential increase in floating-leaf and emergent communities are natural and likely cyclic.
- Lake is essentially AIS plant free, except reed canary grass, a common exotic.

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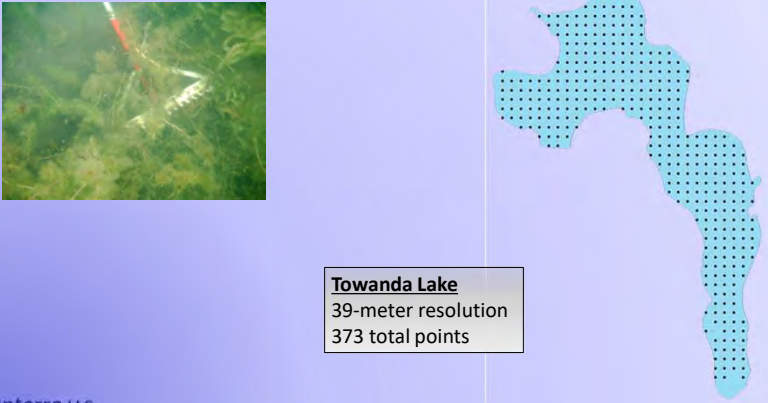








### Whole-Lake Point-Intercept Survey



**Towanda Lake**  
39-meter resolution  
373 total points

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### Vegetation Analysis Matrices

#### Floristic Quality Analysis

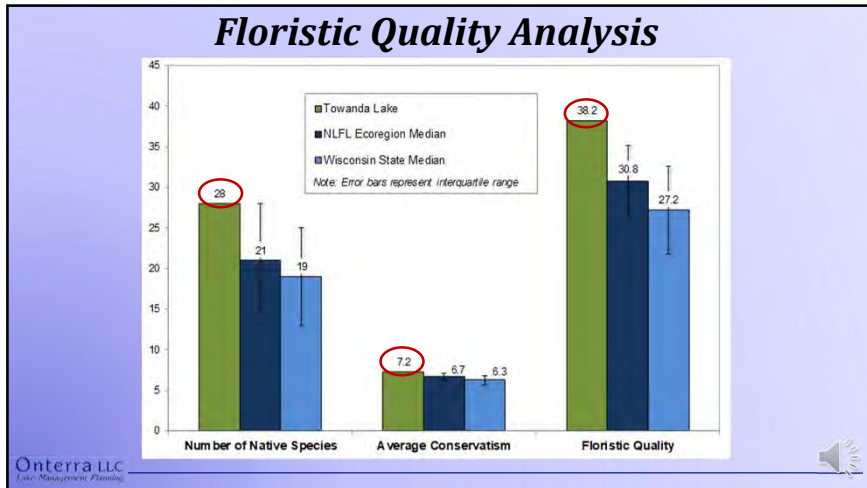
Evaluates the closeness of an area's flora to undisturbed conditions.

$$I = \bar{C} \times \sqrt{N}$$

- I** Floristic Quality Index
- $\bar{C}$**  Average Species Conservatism  
1 - 10, higher number requires less disturbed condition
- N** Number of Native Species  
Only species encountered on the rake are used (no incidentals)



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### Vegetation Analysis Matrices

#### Species Diversity

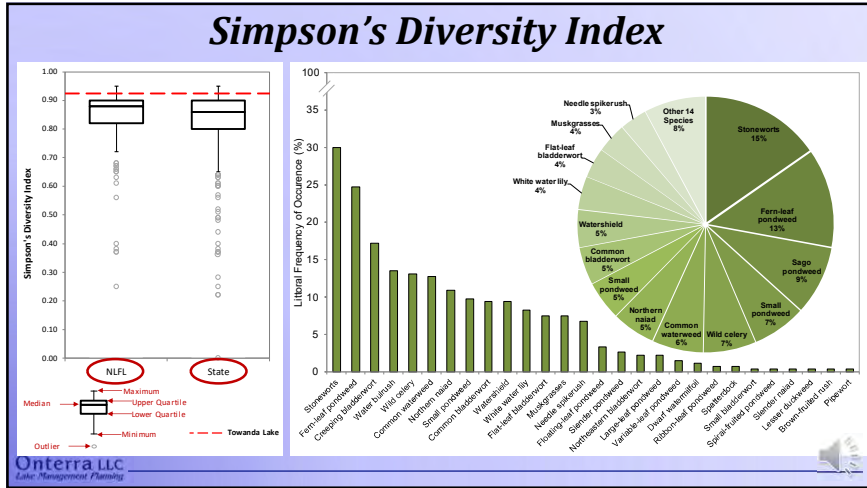
Species diversity utilizes species richness and also takes into account evenness or the variation in abundance of the individual species within the community.

A community of 10 species with the population evenly divided among those species is more diverse than a community of 10 species with 50% of the population in one or two species.

A more diverse community can withstand environmental fluctuations better than a less diversity community.



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### Towanda Lake Implementation Plan

**Goal:** Protect and Improve the Ecological Health of Towanda Lake

- Action:* Monitor water quality through WDNR CLMN Program.
- Action:* Continue to participate in the Loon Watch Program.
- Action:* Monitor Towanda Lake water levels.
- Action:* Educate stakeholders on the importance of shoreland condition, shoreland restoration, and proper shoreland stewardship on Towanda Lake.
- Action:* Increase understanding of Towanda Lake fisheries among riparians and increase important fish habitat within Towanda Lake.

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### Towanda Lake Implementation Plan

**Goal:** Increase the TLA's Capacity to Manage Towanda Lake, Communicate with Lake Stakeholders, and Facilitate Partnerships with Other Management Entities

- Action:* Promote lake protection and enjoyment through stakeholder education.
- Action:* Increase Towanda Lake Association membership.
- Action:* Continue TLA's involvement with other entities that have responsibilities in managing (management units) Towanda Lake.

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### Towanda Lake Implementation Plan

**Goal: Prevent Aquatic Invasive Species Introductions to Towanda Lake**

- Action:* Begin Clean Boats Clean Waters watercraft inspections at Towanda Lake public access location.
- Action:* Design and install customized AIS and lake information kiosk at Towanda public boat landing.
- Action:* Coordinate annual volunteer monitoring for Aquatic Invasive Species on Towanda Lake.
- Action:* Conduct periodic quantitative vegetation monitoring on Towanda Lake.
- Action:* Initiate rapid response plan following detection of AIS in Towanda Lake.



### Towanda Lake Implementation Plan

**Goal: Assure Safe and Pleasurable Recreational Opportunities on Towanda Lake for All Users**

- Action:* Conduct a mechanical harvesting feasibility study.
- Action:* Update the Towanda Lake Association 'Gentlemen's Agreement'.



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Wisconsin DNR Lakes Page for Towanda Lake:  
<https://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/lakepages/LakeDetail.aspx?wbic=1022900>

**More Tab>>Grants Received>>Details**







# B

## APPENDIX B

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### Stakeholder Survey Response Charts and Comments



**Towanda Lake - Anonymous Stakeholder Survey**

Surveys Distributed: 89  
Surveys Returned: 41  
Response Rate: 46%

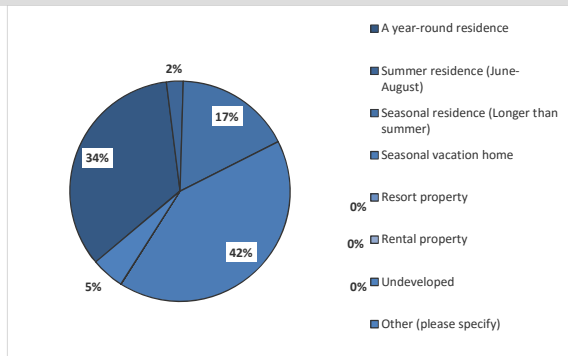
**Towanda Lake Property**

**1. Is your property on the lake or off the lake?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
On the lake	97.6%	40
Off the lake	2.4%	1
<b>answered question</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

**2. How is your property on Towanda Lake utilized?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
A year-round residence	34.1%	14
Summer residence (June-August)	2.4%	1
Seasonal residence (Longer than summer)	17.1%	7
Seasonal vacation home	41.5%	17
Resort property	0.0%	0
Rental property	0.0%	0
Undeveloped	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)	4.9%	2
<b>answered question</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>



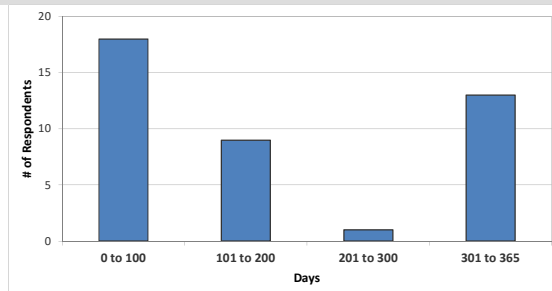
**Number Other (please specify)**

- 1 year around vacation home
- 2 Summer Camp

**3. How many days each year is your property used by you or others?**

Answer Options	Response Count
41	
<b>answered question</b>	
<b>skipped question</b>	

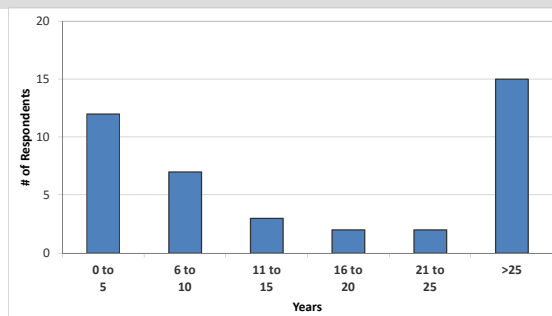
Category (# of days)	Responses	Count	Percentage
0 to 100	18	44%	
101 to 200	9	22%	
201 to 300	1	2%	
301 to 365	13	32%	



**4. How long have you owned your property on or near Towanda Lake?**

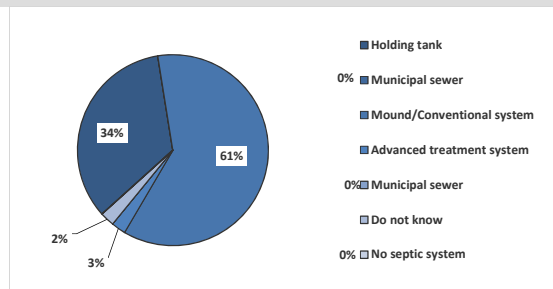
Answer Options	Response Count
41	
<b>answered question</b>	
<b>skipped question</b>	

Category (# of years)	Responses	Count	Percentage
0 to 5	12	29%	
6 to 10	7	17%	
11 to 15	3	7%	
16 to 20	2	5%	
21 to 25	2	5%	
>25	15	37%	



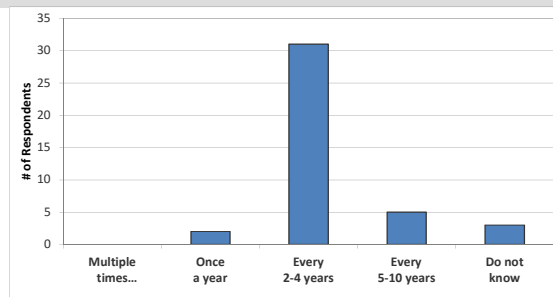
**5. What type of septic system does your property utilize?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Holding tank	34.1%	14
Municipal sewer	0.0%	0
Mound/Conventional system	61.0%	25
Advanced treatment system	2.4%	1
Municipal sewer	0.0%	0
Do not know	2.4%	1
No septic system	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>



**6. How often is the septic system on your property pumped?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Multiple times a year	0.0%	0
Once a year	4.9%	2
Every 2-4 years	75.6%	31
Every 5-10 years	12.2%	5
Do not know	7.3%	3
<b>answered question</b>		<b>41</b>
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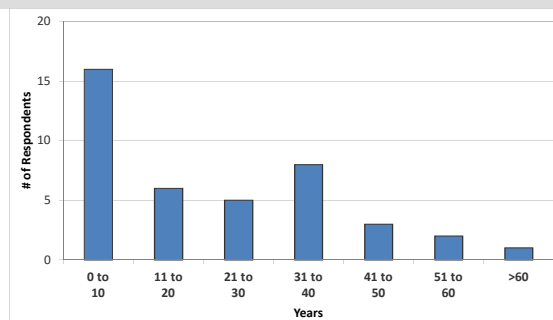


**Recreational Activity on Towanda Lake**

**7. How many years ago did you first visit Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Response Count
	41
<b>answered question</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>	<b>0</b>

Category (# of days)	Responses	% Response
0 to 10	16	39%
11 to 20	6	15%
21 to 30	5	12%
31 to 40	8	20%
41 to 50	3	7%
51 to 60	2	5%
>60	1	2%

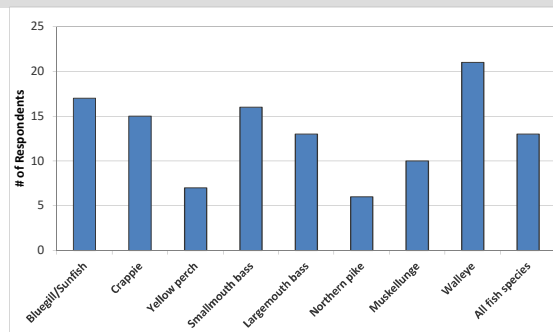


**8. Have you personally fished on Towanda Lake in the past three years?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	82.9%	34
No	17.1%	7
<b>answered question</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>

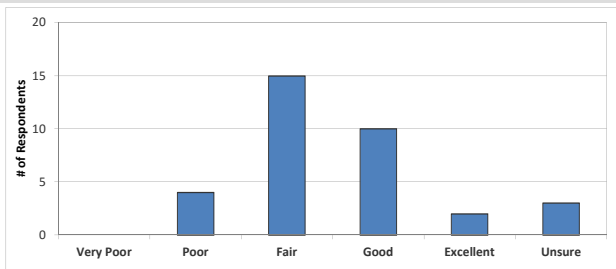
**9. What species of fish do you like to catch on Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Bluegill/Sunfish	50.0%	17
Crappie	44.1%	15
Yellow perch	20.6%	7
Smallmouth bass	47.1%	16
Largemouth bass	38.2%	13
Northern pike	17.6%	6
Muskellunge	29.4%	10
Walleye	61.8%	21
All fish species	38.2%	13
Other (please specify)	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>34</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>7</b>



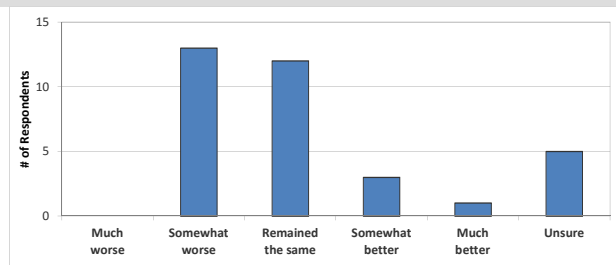
**10. How would you describe the current quality of fishing on Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Unsure	Response Count
	0	4	15	10	2	3	34
<b>answered question</b>							<b>34</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>7</b>



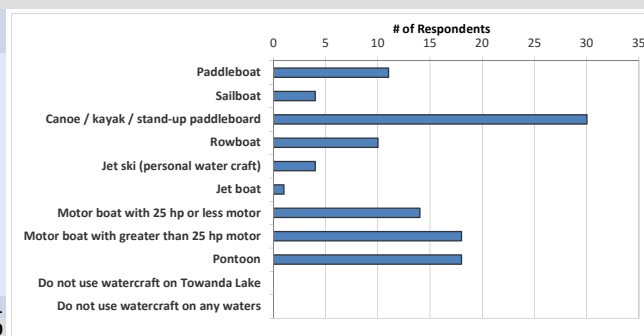
**11. How has the quality of fishing changed on Towanda Lake since you have started fishing the lake?**

Answer Options	Much worse	Somewhat worse	Remained the same	Somewhat better	Much better	Unsure	Response Count
	0	13	12	3	1	5	34
<b>answered question</b>							<b>34</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>7</b>



**12. What types of watercraft do you currently use on Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Paddleboat	26.8%	11
Sailboat	9.8%	4
Canoe / kayak / stand-up paddleboard	73.2%	30
Rowboat	24.4%	10
Jet ski (personal water craft)	9.8%	4
Jet boat	2.4%	1
Motor boat with 25 hp or less motor	34.1%	14
Motor boat with greater than 25 hp motor	43.9%	18
Pontoon	43.9%	18
Do not use watercraft on Towanda Lake	0.0%	0
Do not use watercraft on any waters	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>0</b>



**13. Do you use your watercraft on waters other than Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	50.0%	20
No	50.0%	20
<b>answered question</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>1</b>

**14. What is your typical cleaning routine after using your watercraft on waters other than Towanda Lake?**

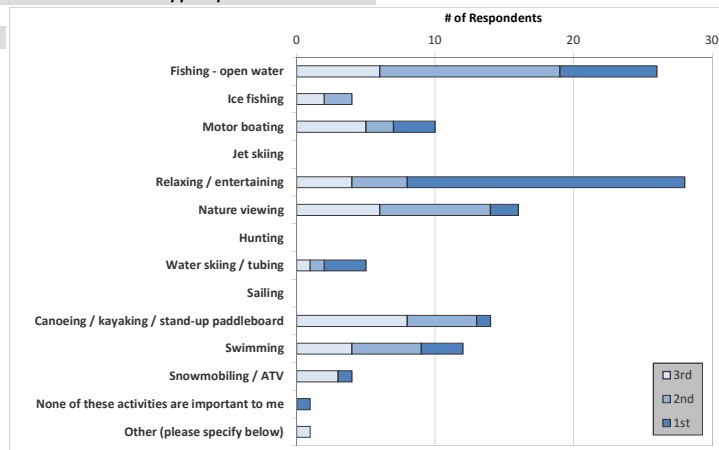
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Remove aquatic hitch-hikers (ex. - plant material, clams, mussels)	85.0%	17
Drain bilge	65.0%	13
Rinse boat	35.0%	7
Power wash boat	15.0%	3
Apply bleach	0.0%	0
Air dry boat for 5 or more days	40.0%	8
Do not clean boat	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)	10.0%	2
<b>answered question</b>		<b>20</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>21</b>

Number	Other (please specify)
1	Drain Livewell
2	Not applicable

**15. For the list below, rank up to three activities that are important reasons for owning your property on Towanda Lake, with 1 being the most important.**

Answer Options	1st	2nd	3rd	Rating Average	Response Count
Fishing - open water	7	13	6	1.96	26
Ice fishing	0	2	2	2.5	4
Motor boating	3	2	5	2.2	10
Jet skiing	0	0	0	0	0
Relaxing / entertaining	20	4	4	1.43	28
Nature viewing	2	8	6	2.25	16
Hunting	0	0	0	0	0
Water skiing / tubing	3	1	1	1.6	5
Sailing	0	0	0	0	0
Canoeing / kayaking / stand-up paddleboard	1	5	8	2.5	14
Swimming	3	5	4	2.08	12
Snowmobiling / ATV	1	0	3	2.5	4
None of these activities are important to me	1	0	0	1	1
Other (please specify below)	0	0	1	3	1
<b>answered question</b>					<b>41</b>
<b>skipped question</b>					<b>0</b>

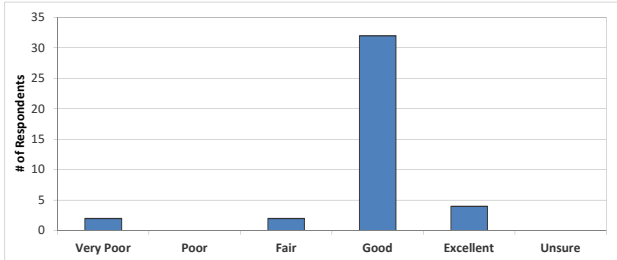
Number	"Other" responses
1	electric pontoon no wake



**Towanda Lake Current and Historic Condition, Health and Management**

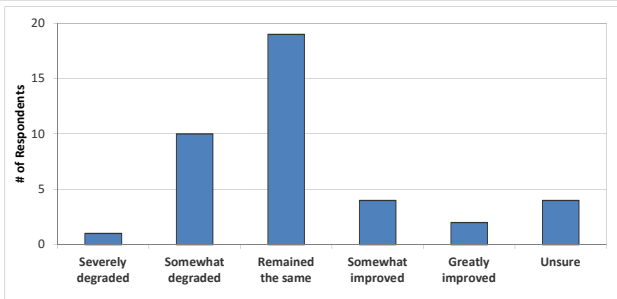
**16. How would you describe the overall current water quality of Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Unsure	Response Count
	2	0	2	32	4	0	40
<b>answered question</b>							<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>1</b>



**17. How has the overall water quality changed in Towanda Lake since you first visited the lake?**

Answer Options	Severely degraded	Somewhat degraded	Remained the same	Somewhat improved	Greatly improved	Unsure	Response Count
	1	10	19	4	2	4	40
<b>answered question</b>							<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>							<b>1</b>



**18. Considering how you answered the questions above, what do you think of when describing water quality?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Water clarity (clearness of water)	77.5%	31
Aquatic plant growth (not including algae blooms)	65.0%	26
Water color	17.5%	7
Algae blooms	37.5%	15
Smell	27.5%	11
Water level	65.0%	26
Fish kills	5.0%	2
Other (please specify)	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>1</b>

**19. Based on your answer above, which of the following is the single most important aspect when considering water quality?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Water clarity (clearness of water)	42.5%	17
Aquatic plant growth (not including algae blooms)	30.0%	12
Water color	0.0%	0
Algae blooms	5.0%	2
Smell	2.5%	1
Water level	20.0%	8
Fish kills	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>1</b>

**20. Before reading the statement above, had you ever heard of aquatic invasive species?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	100.0%	39
No	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>39</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>2</b>

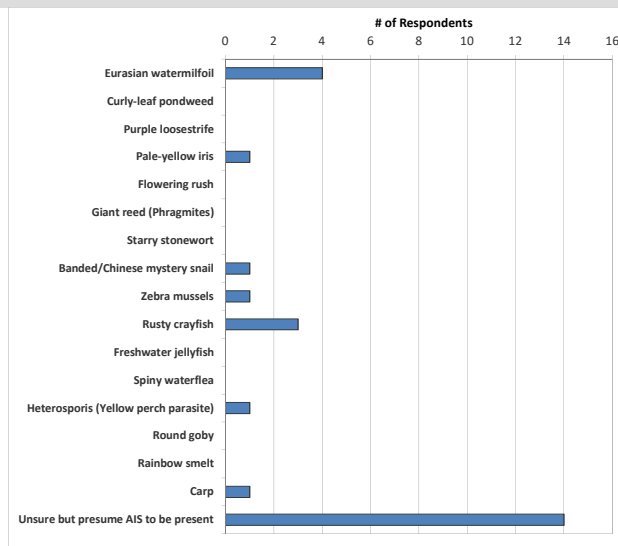
**21. Do you believe aquatic invasive species are present within Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	12.5%	5
I think so but am not certain	40.0%	16
No	47.5%	19
<b>answered question</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>1</b>

**22. Which aquatic invasive species do you believe are in Towanda Lake?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Eurasian watermilfoil	19.1%	4
Curly-leaf pondweed	0.0%	0
Purple loosestrife	0.0%	0
Pale-yellow iris	4.8%	1
Flowering rush	0.0%	0
Giant reed (Phragmites)	0.0%	0
Starry stonewort	0.0%	0
Banded/Chinese mystery snail	4.8%	1
Zebra mussels	4.8%	1
Rusty crayfish	14.3%	3
Freshwater jellyfish	0.0%	0
Spiny waterflea	0.0%	0
Heterosporis (Yellow perch parasite)	4.8%	1
Round goby	0.0%	0
Rainbow smelt	0.0%	0
Carp	4.8%	1
Unsure but presume AIS to be present	66.7%	14
Other (please specify)	4.8%	1
<b>answered question</b>		<b>21</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>20</b>

**Number "Other" responses**  
1 Lily pads





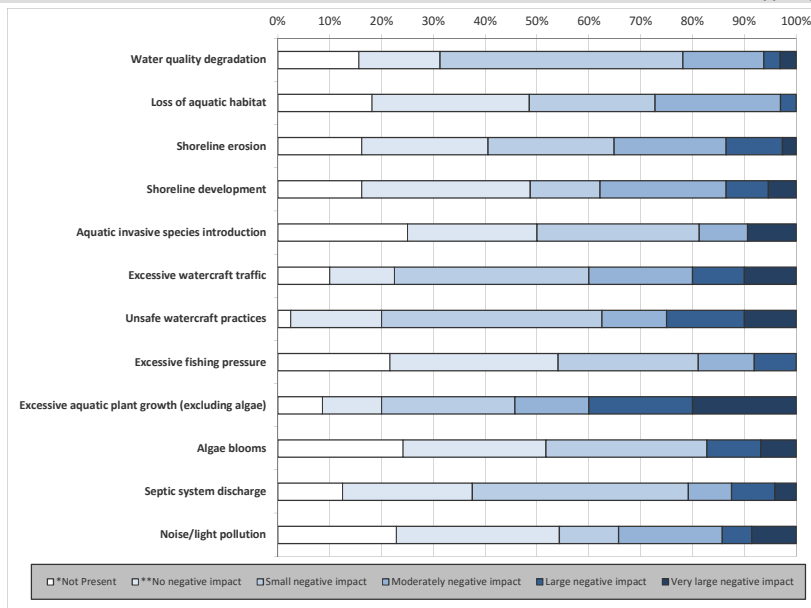
**23. To what level do you believe each of the following factors may currently be negatively impacting Towanda Lake?**

\* Not Present means that you believe the issue does not exist on Towanda Lake.

\*\* No Impact means that the issue may exist on Towanda Lake but it is not negatively impacting the lake.

Answer Options	*Not Present	**No negative impact	Small negative impact	Moderately negative impact	Large negative impact	Very large negative impact	Unsure: Need more information	Rating Average	Response Count
Water quality degradation	5	5	15	5	1	1	6	0.84	38
Loss of aquatic habitat	6	10	8	8	1	0	6	0.69	39
Shoreline erosion	6	9	9	8	4	1	2	1.05	39
Shoreline development	6	12	5	9	3	2	3	1.00	40
Aquatic invasive species introduction	8	8	10	3	0	3	7	0.72	39
Excessive watercraft traffic	4	5	15	8	4	4	0	1.48	40
Unsafe watercraft practices	1	7	17	5	6	4	0	1.53	40
Excessive fishing pressure	8	12	10	4	3	0	2	0.69	39
Excessive aquatic plant growth (excluding algae)	3	4	9	5	7	7	4	1.74	39
Algae blooms	7	8	9	0	3	2	9	0.68	38
Septic system discharge	3	6	10	2	2	1	15	0.62	39
Noise/light pollution	8	11	4	7	2	3	2	0.97	37
Lake water level	6	10	7	3	8	5	1	1.43	40
<i>answered question</i>									<b>40</b>
<i>skipped question</i>									<b>1</b>

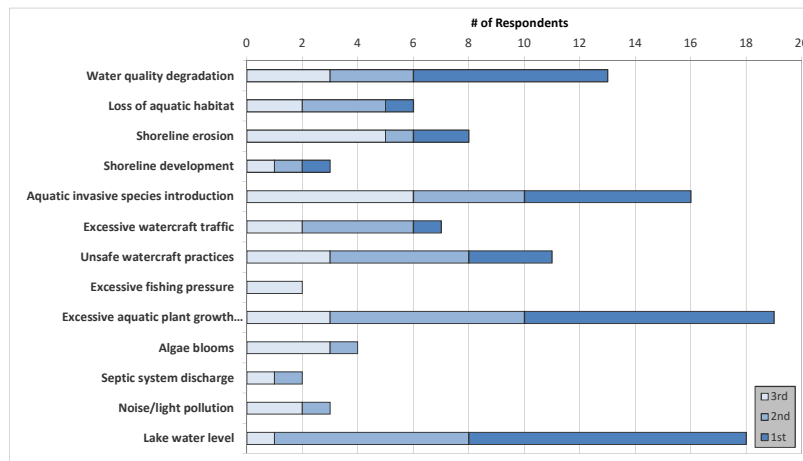
Number	Other (please specify)
1	SMELL FROM GRAVEL/BLACK TOP
2	CAMP CREATES ALOT OF NOISE AND BOAT TRAFFIC
3	Lake water level has negative impact
4	declining loon nesting areas



**24. From the list below, please rank your top three concerns regarding Towanda Lake, with 1 being your greatest concern.**

Answer Options	1st	2nd	3rd	Response Count
Water quality degradation	7	3	3	13
Loss of aquatic habitat	1	3	2	6
Shoreline erosion	2	1	5	8
Shoreline development	1	1	1	3
Aquatic invasive species introduction	6	4	6	16
Excessive watercraft traffic	1	4	2	7
Unsafe watercraft practices	3	5	3	11
Excessive fishing pressure	0	0	2	2
Excessive aquatic plant growth (excluding algae)	9	7	3	19
Algae blooms	0	1	3	4
Septic system discharge	0	1	1	2
Noise/light pollution	0	1	2	3
Lake water level	10	7	1	18
Other (please specify)	0	0	2	2
<b>answered question</b>				<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>				<b>1</b>

Number	"Other" responses
1	GRAVEL PIT/BLACKTOP CO
2	running 3 camp boats does not allow much room for others.



**Towanda Lake Association, Inc (TLA)**

**25. Before receiving this mailing, have you ever heard of the Towanda Lake Association, Inc (TLA)?**

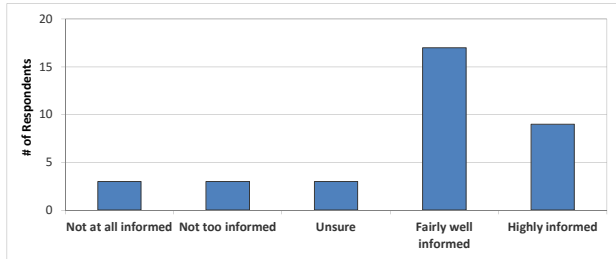
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	100.0%	40
No	0.0%	0
<b>answered question</b>		<b>40</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>1</b>

**26. What is your membership status with the TLA?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Current member	84.6%	33
Former member	2.6%	1
Never been a member	12.8%	5
<b>answered question</b>		<b>39</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>2</b>

**27. How informed has (or had) the TLA kept you regarding issues with Towanda Lake and its management?**

Answer Options	Not at all informed	Not too informed	Unsure	Fairly well informed	Highly informed	Response Count
	3	3	3	17	9	35
	<i>answered question</i>					35
	<i>skipped question</i>					6

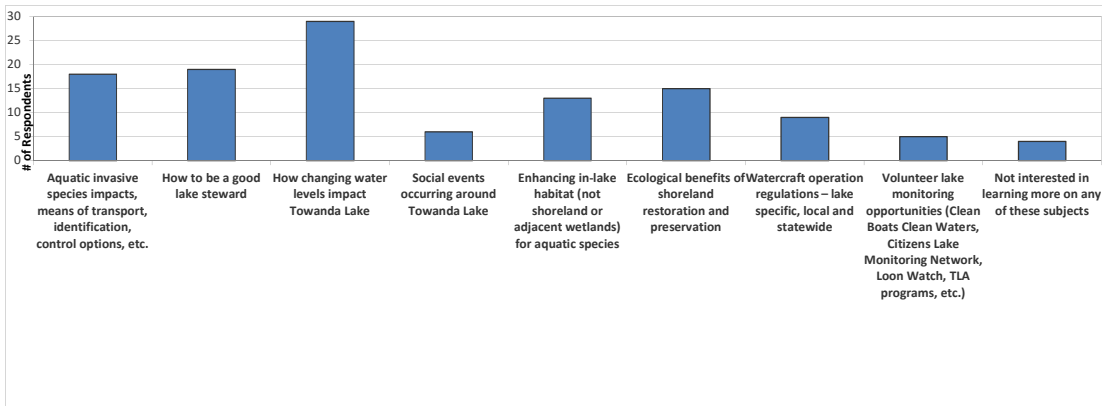


**28. Stakeholder education is an important component of every lake management planning effort. Which of these subjects would you like to learn more about?**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Aquatic invasive species impacts, means of transport, identification, control options, etc.	46.2%	18
How to be a good lake steward	48.7%	19
How changing water levels impact Towanda Lake	74.4%	29
Social events occurring around Towanda Lake	15.4%	6
Enhancing in-lake habitat (not shoreland or adjacent wetlands) for aquatic species	33.3%	13
Ecological benefits of shoreland restoration and preservation	38.5%	15
Watercraft operation regulations – lake specific, local and statewide	23.1%	9
Volunteer lake monitoring opportunities (Clean Boats Clean Waters, Citizens Lake Monitoring Network, Loon Watch, TLA programs, etc.)	12.8%	5
Not interested in learning more on any of these subjects	10.3%	4
Some other topic (please specify)	2.6%	1
	<i>answered question</i>	39
	<i>skipped question</i>	2

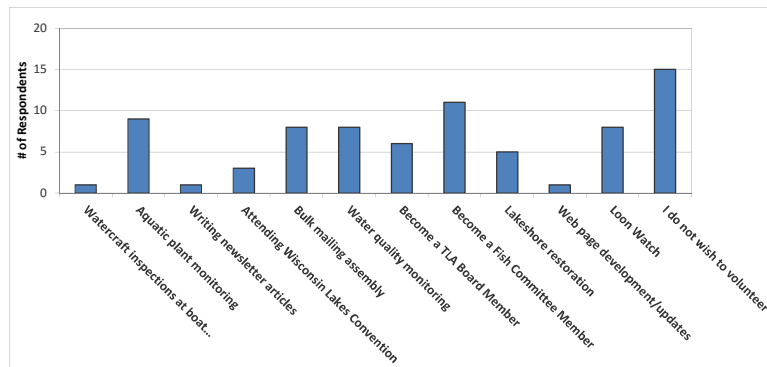
**Number Other (please specify)**

1 Plans to control Lily Pads



**29. Please note that because this survey is anonymous, your answer to this question will not be regarded as a commitment to participate, but instead will be used to gauge potential participation of stakeholders in the TLA. The effective management of Towanda Lake will require the cooperative efforts of numerous volunteers. Please select the activities you would be willing to participate in if the TLA requires additional assistance.**

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Watercraft inspections at boat landings	2.6%	1
Aquatic plant monitoring	23.1%	9
Writing newsletter articles	2.6%	1
Attending Wisconsin Lakes Convention	7.7%	3
Bulk mailing assembly	20.5%	8
Water quality monitoring	20.5%	8
Become a TLA Board Member	15.4%	6
Become a Fish Committee Member	28.2%	11
Lakeshore restoration	12.8%	5
Web page development/updates	2.6%	1
Loon Watch	20.5%	8
I do not wish to volunteer	38.5%	15
<b>answered question</b>		<b>39</b>
<b>skipped question</b>		<b>2</b>



**30. What improvements to the Towanda Lake Area would you like to see in the next 10 years?**

Answer Options	Response Count
	30
<b>answered question</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>skipped question</b>	<b>11</b>

Number	Response Text
1	NO SMELL OF ASPHALT
2	Banning jet ski use. Making sure that all home owners and guest are aware of the lakes gentleman agreement not just the ones in the lake assc. Discuss with camp owners to curve there
3	south end cleaned up floating bogs
4	LEAVE THE LAKE ALONE. IT IS FINE.
5	Without "over managing" the lake or lakeshore owners' individual activities, restore shoreline to a more natural state (where practical), improve fishing by improving habitat & establishing a regular fish stocking program, and protect Towanda Lake from the introduction of invasive aquatic species.
6	control of weed growthplant more fish
7	A culvert at South End of the lake at airport road to control the level of the lake. I was told that at one time a culvert was in place there. I'm not sure if the culvert is still there? Maybe it's just plugged? or maybe it has been removed? I would also like to see a portion of the muck removed from the bottom of the lake. At the present time there is approximately 9 inches of muck in the entire south end of the lake. Control use of power boats & jet skis. Set rules for no power boats & jet skis before 8am or after 6pm, that way the time is reserved to the fisherman. Placement of more fish cribs in the lake which would improve fishing conditions. Remove the vegetation on the south end of the lake that has migrated north over the last 15 years (150 yards). I'd be happy to discuss any matters of the lake with anyone you can contact me at anytime: house 309-364-3049, cell 309-238-7777, lake house 715-356-2647. Thank you, Scott Wiedman
8	Walleye restockingLimiting noise from quarryPossible "No Wake" timesCheck into what causes strong fuel oil smell at times from quarry - improper fueling or spills??
9	restoration of lake
10	Reduction in weed growth. No Jet skis allowed on the Lake.
11	Leave as is.
12	increased owner/resident in TLA, Bog growth curtailed, weed growth managed, fluctuating lake level managed.
13	Fish population increases, Improved boat landing, more fish habitat, reduction of bogs
14	Maintain the lake level. As of this writing, level is excessive and causing shoreline erosion. There is no known outlet or an old one has been abandon/removed. I would like to see the serenity of Lake Towanda to be preserved for our next generation.
15	Continue to monitor and support healthy fish and wildlife populations. Recommendations and resources for home owners to address shoreline erosion during periods of high water levels.
16	The south end of the lake weed issue addressed - muck removal.
17	Unsure what improvements we need or are a possibility - but always willing to learn
18	It would be great to swim in the lake again without all the sludge and visual microorganisms.
19	More crappie and walleye fishing improvements, less camp ski boat traffic on weekends when people are trying to use the lake
20	The southern half of the lake is becoming far too weed choked. It is becoming hard to boat & swim in it down that way. Also I feel like the ongoing summer water skiing activities of the Boys Camp utilize a far larger percentage of the lake during peak summer months then they have a right to use. (Especially the slalom ski course they temporarily put in through the narrow part & down into the South end of the lake.) Also, hopefully Towanda can become a better fishing lake in the future. Continually restocking the lake with small walleye might not be the way to go? We would actually like to see the lake be a great pan fish lake, and wonder why Muskies are even in a lake this small? They are probably eating up too many pan fish. We are also concerned about the growing light pollution we see on the lake. More people unfortunately installing very bright security lighting right down near the waterfront. Some of these lights go on automatically every evening year round. Not good! This is distracting & unnatural & greatly bothers some of us who live here year round.
21	Elimination of fireworks.
22	More fish Stocking
23	reduce the lily pad takeover
24	i would like to see the south end of the lake cleaned up and made more useable
25	Clear description of property rights re: lake shore use and development and enforcement -- the do's and don'ts that already exist Adding fish sticks and fish cribs.
26	Perhaps encouraging members to harvest the very abundant 14" bass and small pike Continued monitoring of shoreline habitat, water quality and fishing on the lake
27	Happy with current lake - Maybe a dock at the boat landing.
28	Fish habitat, cribs, etc.
29	Work with the Camp to request they not use ski boats on weekends, to reduce traffic.
30	Stock more walleye

**31. Please feel free to provide written comments concerning Towanda Lake, its current and/or historic condition and its management.**

Answer Options	Response Count
	15
<i>answered question</i>	15
<i>skipped question</i>	26

Number	Response Text
	SMELL OF ASPHALT HAS BEEN A
1	CONTINUING PROBLEM DURING OWNERSHIP OF THIS PROPERTY
2	Lines of communication need to
3	water level great now
4	MIS LEADING INFORMATION AND STUPID IDEAS TO DRILL FOR A SPRING TO FEED THE LAKE WHICH THE DNR KNOCKED DOWN. THE LAKE IS FINE. QUIT SPENDING MONEY ON CONSULTING. ITS NOT NEEDED
5	Avoid the temptation to over manage the lake. Just a few years ago we were concerned with record-low lake levels and excessive weed/plant growth in shallow areas. Today the lake is at relatively high levels and it appears that weed/plant growth has returned to a more normal state. Given the opportunity, nature will care for the lake and correct for most lake issues. We do, however, need to protect the lake from the introduction of invasive species, encourage lakeshore owners to maintain a more natural shoreline (where practical) and be aware of activities that adversely impact lake/ water quality.
6	It was hard to answer many of these questions without having access to data regarding the lakes current status relative to each area of concern.
7	See above.
8	Towanda Lake is a gem, which is why we own property here. Being a seepage lake, Towanda is susceptible to fluctuations in both weather trends and human activities. We all have a responsibility to minimize negative man made impacts and be conscientious custodians of our lake environment.
9	Seems like a lot of bog growth on the south end of the lake. Not sure if it can be stopped.
10	I think it's fantastic that the lake water levels are way up from the drought years of about a decade ago. Being primarily a "seepage" lake, Towanda now feels much more like a healthier lake concerning the higher water level, then when we bought our lake home here back in 2012. The primary thing I would like to see improved though is the growing number of weeds down in the southern half. It's getting harder to utilize the lake down there. Harder & harder to get motorized boats through in the southern part. People need to stop putting fertilizer on their lawns that slope down to the lake. We maintain a very natural lake front & wish everyone on Towanda would do so, and forget about maintaining grass lawns right up to the shoreline. Too much fertilizer is being used, with rain taking run off into the lake water & promoting weed growth.
11	Thank you to those of you who volunteer your time and expertises.
12	Love here, I have attended some meetings when had rented to see if we liked it here, was a little cold because we had not bought yet. Love here! Believe in and will join Lake Association this year!
13	TLA should regulate use of the lake; water ski hours, speed limits, no wake zones, etc.? No use of PWC's. Entry/exit from south bay should be a no wake zone. Buoys should be placed in the channel to the south bay and to mark the flat rock pile which is a problem when lake water level is lower.
14	N/A
15	There was less boat traffic on Towanda when we first bought our place.



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## APPENDIX C

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Water Quality Data



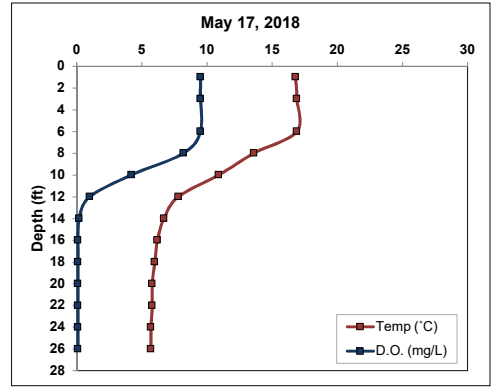


**Towanda Lake**

Date: 5/17/2018  
 Time: 8:00  
 Weather: 75% clouds, 55°F, 5mph wind  
 Entry: JLW

Max Depth: 27.4  
 LS Depth (ft): 3.0  
 LB Depth (ft): 24.0  
 Secchi Depth (ft): 7.6

Depth (ft)	Temp (°C)	D.O. (mg/L)	% Saturation	pH	Sp. Cond. (µS/cm)
1	16.8	9.5	98%		
3	16.9	9.5	98%	7.6	
6	16.9	9.5	98%		
8	13.6	8.2	79%		
10	10.9	4.2	38%		
12	7.8	1.0	8%	6.8	
14	6.7	0.2	2%		
16	6.2	0.1	1%		
18	6.0	0.1	1%		
20	5.8	0.1	1%		
22	5.8	0.1	1%		
24	5.7	0.1	1%	6.5	
26	5.7	0.1	1%		



Parameter	LS	LB
Total P (µg/L)	15.90	33.90
Dissolved P (µg/L)	ND	3.00
Chl-a (µg/L)	2.32	NA
TKN (µg/L)	NA	NA
NO <sub>3</sub> + NO <sub>2</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Total N (µg/L)	0.55	1.40
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	50.50	80.60
Lab pH	7.13	6.50
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	16.40	28.90
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	ND	ND
Calcium (mg/L)	4.49	NA
Magnesium (mg/L)	1.85	NA
Hardness (mg/L)	18.80	NA
Color (SU)	20.00	NA
Turbidity (NTU)	NA	NA

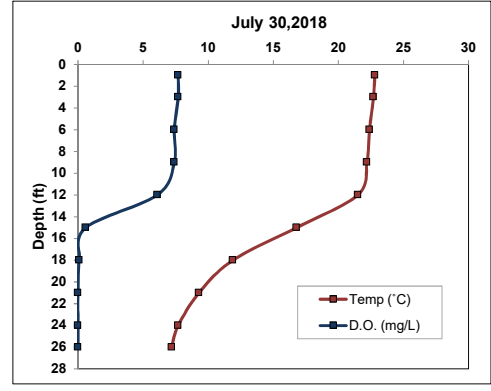
Data collected by JMB (Onterra). Moved water quality point west of existing point.

**Towanda Lake**

Date: 7/30/2018  
 Time: 10:15  
 Weather: sunny, 0% clouds, 72°F  
 Entry: HAL

Max Depth: 27.1  
 LS Depth (ft): 3.0  
 LB Depth (ft): 24.0  
 Secchi Depth (ft): 12.0

Depth (ft)	Temp (°C)	D.O. (mg/L)	% Saturation	pH	Sp. Cond. (µS/cm)
1	22.8	7.7	90%		
3	22.7	7.7	90%		
6	22.4	7.4	85%		
9	22.2	7.4	85%		
12	21.5	6.1	69%		
15	16.8	0.6	6%		
18	11.9	0.1	1%		
21	9.3	0.0	0%		
24	7.7	0.0	0%		
26	7.2	0.0	0%		



Parameter	LS	LB
Total P (µg/L)	11.30	63.50
Dissolved P (µg/L)	NA	NA
Chl-a (µg/L)	2.60	NA
TKN (µg/L)	NA	NA
NO <sub>2</sub> + NO <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
NH <sub>2</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Total N (µg/L)	572.00	NA
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	106.00	93.40
Lab pH	6.80	6.35
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	44.30	34.50
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	NA	NA
Calcium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Magnesium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Hardness (mg/L)	NA	NA
Color (SU)	20.00	NA
Turbidity (NTU)	NA	NA

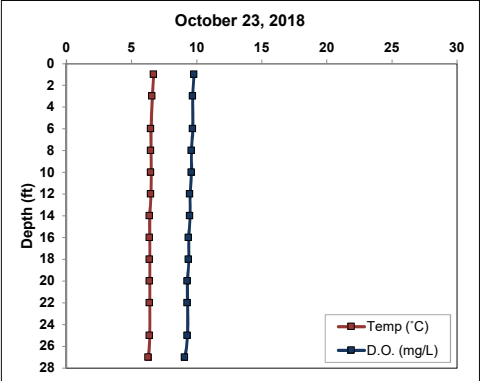
Data collected by Onterra (TAH & PJG). Core Coordinates: 542376.56, 607383.60. Cores @ 0-1 cm, 43-44cm, 45 cm long

Towanda Lake

Date: 10/23/2018  
Time: 11:15  
Weather: 5mph winds, 45°F, 100% clouds, snowing  
Entry: HAL

Max Depth: 28.2  
LS Depth (ft): 3.0  
LB Depth (ft): 25.0  
Secchi Depth (ft): 6.9

Depth (ft)	Temp (°C)	D.O. (mg/L)	% Saturation	pH	Sp. Cond. (µS/cm)
1	6.7	9.8	80%		
3	6.6	9.7	79%		
6	6.5	9.7	79%		
8	6.5	9.6	78%		
10	6.5	9.6	78%		
12	6.5	9.5	77%		
14	6.4	9.5	77%		
16	6.4	9.4	76%		
18	6.4	9.4	76%		
20	6.4	9.3	76%		
22	6.4	9.3	76%		
25	6.4	9.3	76%		
27	6.3	9.1	73%		



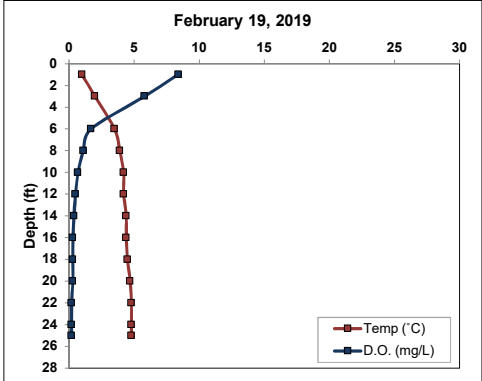
Parameter	LS	LB
Total P (µg/L)	18.10	12.10
Dissolved P (µg/L)	NA	NA
Chl-a (µg/L)	5.98	NA
TKN (µg/L)	NA	NA
NO <sub>3</sub> + NO <sub>2</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Total N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	NA	NA
Lab pH	NA	NA
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	NA	NA
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	ND	ND
Calcium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Magnesium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Hardness (mg/L)	NA	NA
Color (SU)	NA	NA
Turbidity (NTU)	NA	NA

Data collected by Onterra (JMB, AMS).

Towanda Lake

Date: 2/19/2019 Max Depth: 27.1  
 Time: 12:30 LS Depth (ft): 3.0  
 Weather: 0% clouds, 2 mph winds, 2deg F, 1.8' ice LB Depth (ft): 24.0  
 Entry: HAL Secchi Depth (ft): 8.5

Depth (ft)	Temp (°C)	D.O. (mg/L)	% Saturation	pH	Sp. Cond. (µS/cm)
1	4.0	8.4	59%		
3	2.0	5.8	42%		
6	3.5	1.7	13%		
8	3.9	1.1	8%		
10	4.2	0.7	5%		
12	4.2	0.5	4%		
14	4.4	0.4	3%		
16	4.4	0.3	2%		
18	4.5	0.3	2%		
20	4.7	0.3	2%		
22	4.8	0.2	2%		
24	4.8	0.2	2%		
25	4.8	0.2	2%		



Parameter	LS	LB
Total P (µg/L)	NA	NA
Dissolved P (µg/L)	NA	NA
Chl-a (µg/L)	NA	NA
TKN (µg/L)	NA	NA
NO <sub>3</sub> + NO <sub>2</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Total N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	NA	NA
Lab pH	NA	NA
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	NA	NA
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	NA	NA
Calcium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Magnesium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Hardness (mg/L)	NA	NA
Color (SU)	NA	NA
Turbidity (NTU)	NA	NA

Data collected by Onterra (JMB, AMS) Noted in YB that the bottom sample smelled like sulfur "BAD"



Parameter	LS	LB
Total P (µg/L)	NA	NA
Dissolved P (µg/L)	NA	NA
Chl-a (µg/L)	NA	NA
TKN (µg/L)	NA	NA
NO <sub>3</sub> + NO <sub>2</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Total N (µg/L)	NA	NA
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	NA	NA
Lab pH	NA	NA
Alkalinity (mg/L CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	NA	NA
Total Susp. Solids (mg/L)	NA	NA
Calcium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Magnesium (mg/L)	NA	NA
Hardness (mg/L)	NA	NA
Color (SU)	NA	NA
Turbidity (NTU)	NA	NA



**Water Quality Data**

Parameter	Surface		Bottom	
	Count	Mean	Count	Mean
Secchi Depth (feet)	4	8.8	NA	NA
Total P (µg/L)	3	15.1	3	36.5
Dissolved P (µg/L)	1	ND	1	3.0
Chl a (µg/L)	3	3.6	0	NA
TKN (µg/L)	0	NA	0	NA
NO <sub>3</sub> +NO <sub>2</sub> -N (µg/L)	0	NA	0	NA
NH <sub>3</sub> -N (µg/L)	0	NA	0	NA
Total N (µg/L)	2	286.3	1	1.4
Lab Cond. (µS/cm)	2	78.3	2	87.0
Alkal (mg/l CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	2	30.4	2	31.7
Total Susp. Solids (mg/l)	2	ND	2	ND
Calcium (mg/L)	1	4.5	0	NA
Magnesium (mg/L)	1	1.9	0	NA
Hardness (mg/L)	1	18.8	0	NA
Color (SU)	2	20.0	0	NA
Turbidity (NTU)	0	NA	0	NA

**Trophic State Index (TSI)**

Year	TP	Chl-a	Secchi
1979			47.2
1992			42.3
1993			40.5
1994			41.3
1995			42.8
1996			42.6
1997			42.6
1998			42.6
1999			
2000			46.9
2001	43.2	46.3	44.2
2002	39.6	47.7	44.8
2003	44.4	47.4	44.7
2004	40.8	53.1	48.1
2005	40.8	48.0	46.9
2006	42.2	48.7	
2007	40.8	48.2	49.8
2008	43.5	45.4	48.2
2009	44.1	46.3	46.7
2010	41.5	47.9	47.0
2011	42.9	52.1	47.5
2012	42.2	48.9	46.3
2013	39.8	49.8	45.3
2014	39.9	49.7	44.9
2015	42.9	44.9	45.1
2016	43.2	46.9	44.8
2017	43.9	48.4	44.7
2018	39.5	44.5	44.1
<b>All Years (Weighted)</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>48.0</b>	<b>46.1</b>
<b>DSL Median</b>	<b>43.2</b>	<b>43.2</b>	<b>42.4</b>
<b>NLF Ecoregion Median</b>	<b>48.1</b>	<b>47.5</b>	<b>45.7</b>

Year	Secchi (feet)				Chlorophyll-a (µg/L)				Total Phosphorus (µg/L)			
	Growing Season		Summer		Growing Season		Summer		Growing Season		Summer	
	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean	Count	Mean
1979	1	8.0	1	8.0								
1992	6	10.5	4	11.2								
1993	6	12.2	4	12.7								
1994	7	12.2	6	12.0								
1995	8	10.3	5	10.8								
1996	5	10.1	3	11.0								
1997	3	10.2	1	11.0								
1998	4	11.4	2	11.0								
1999	0		0									
2000	6	9.1	4	8.1								
2001	14	10.0	10	9.8	6	5.5	4	5.0	7	12.9	4.0	15.0
2002	4	9.6	3	9.4	2	5.7	2	5.7	4	11.8	3.0	11.7
2003	5	9.5	3	9.5	5	6.1	4	5.6	6	15.8	4.0	16.3
2004	3	8.0	2	7.5	3	9.9	3	9.9	4	13.5	3.0	12.7
2005	4	8.2	3	8.2	4	6.4	3	5.9	5	12.6	3.0	12.7
2006	0		0		1	6.3	1	6.3	1	14.0	1.0	14.0
2007	6	7.2	3	6.7	3	6.0	3	6.0	4	13.8	3.0	12.7
2008	19	7.3	11	7.5	3	4.5	3	4.5	4	19.0	3.0	15.3
2009	23	8.5	15	8.3	3	5.0	3	5.0	4	16.0	3.0	16.0
2010	29	8.4	15	8.1	3	5.8	3	5.8	4	14.3	3.0	13.3
2011	15	8.2	10	7.8	3	8.9	3	8.9	4	14.5	3.0	14.7
2012	18	8.9	11	8.5	3	6.5	3	6.5	4	14.0	3.0	14.0
2013	14	9.5	7	9.1	2	7.1	2	7.1	3	13.4	2.0	11.9
2014	20	9.6	13	9.4	3	7.0	3	7.0	4	11.5	3.0	11.9
2015	22	9.9	11	9.2	3	4.3	3	4.3	4	14.8	3.0	14.7
2016	22	10.5	10	9.5	3	5.2	3	5.2	4	15.3	3.0	15.0
2017	22	10.1	12	9.5	3	6.2	3	6.2	3	15.8	3.0	15.8
2018	21	9.5	12	9.9	6	4.1	4	4.1	7	13.4	4.0	11.6
<b>All Years (Weighted)</b>	9.4		9.1		6.0		6.0		14.2		13.9	
<b>DSL Median</b>			11.2				3.6				15.0	
<b>NLF Ecoregion Median</b>			8.9				5.6				21.0	

Mean 2009-18

8.9

5.9

13.9

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## APPENDIX D

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### Watershed Analysis WiLMS Results





Date: 6/24/2019 Scenario: Current w/ septic and developed props

Lake Id: Towanda Lake Note: Changed 66 acres forest to developed properties.

Watershed Id: 0

**Hydrologic and Morphometric Data**

Tributary Drainage Area: 444.0 acre

Total Unit Runoff: 14 in.

Annual Runoff Volume: 518.0 acre-ft

Lake Surface Area <As>: 144.0 acre

Lake Volume <V>: 1362.0 acre-ft

Lake Mean Depth <z>: 9.5 ft

Precipitation - Evaporation: 5.5 in.

Hydraulic Loading: 584.0 acre-ft/year

Areal Water Load <qs>: 4.1 ft/year

Lake Flushing Rate <p>: 0.43 1/year

Water Residence Time: 2.33 year

Observed spring overturn total phosphorus (SPO): 15.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Observed growing season mean phosphorus (GSM): 14.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

% NPS Change: 0%

% PS Change: 0%

**NON-POINT SOURCE DATA**

Land Use	Acre (ac)	Low	Most Likely	High	Loading %	Low	Most Likely	High	
		Loading (kg/ha-year)				Loading (kg/year)			
Row Crop AG	6.0	0.50	1.00	3.00	4.2	1	2	7	
Mixed AG	0.0	0.30	0.80	1.40	0.0	0	0	0	
Pasture/Grass	78.0	0.10	0.30	0.50	16.3	3	9	16	
HD Urban (1/8 Ac)	0.0	1.00	1.50	2.00	0.0	0	0	0	
MD Urban (1/4 Ac)	0.0	0.30	0.50	0.80	0.0	0	0	0	
Rural Res (>1 Ac)	1.0	0.05	0.10	0.25	0.1	0	0	0	
Wetlands	37.0	0.10	0.10	0.10	2.6	1	1	1	
Forest	256	0.05	0.09	0.18	16.1	5	9	19	
Developed Properties	66	0.3	0.5	0.8	23.0	8	13	21	
Lake Surface	144.0	0.10	0.30	1.00	30.1	6	17	58	

**POINT SOURCE DATA**

Point Sources	Water Load (m <sup>3</sup> /year)	Low (kg/year)	Most Likely (kg/year)	High (kg/year)	Loading %
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**SEPTIC TANK DATA**

Description	Low	Most Likely	High	Loading %
Septic Tank Output (kg/capita-year)	0.30	0.50	0.80	
# capita-years	89			
% Phosphorus Retained by Soil	98.0	90.0	80.0	
Septic Tank Loading (kg/year)	0.53	4.45	14.24	7.7

**TOTALS DATA**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Low</b>	<b>Most Likely</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>Loading %</b>
Total Loading (lb)	56.1	128.0	302.5	100.0
Total Loading (kg)	25.4	58.0	137.2	100.0
Areal Loading (lb/ac-year)	0.39	0.89	2.10	
Areal Loading (mg/m <sup>2</sup> -year)	43.66	99.61	235.44	
Total PS Loading (lb)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total PS Loading (kg)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total NPS Loading (lb)	42.1	79.6	142.6	92.3
Total NPS Loading (kg)	19.1	36.1	64.7	92.3

**Water and Nutrient Outflow Module**

Date: 6/24/2019 Scenario: 1

Average Annual Surface Total Phosphorus: 14.6mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Annual Discharge: 5.84E+002 AF => 7.20E+005 m<sup>3</sup>

Annual Outflow Loading: 22.0 LB => 10.0 kg

## Phosphorus Prediction and Uncertainty Analysis Module

Date: 6/24/2019 Scenario: 3

Observed spring overturn total phosphorus (SPO): 15.2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Observed growing season mean phosphorus (GSM): 14.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Back calculation for SPO total phosphorus: 0.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Back calculation GSM phosphorus: 0.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

% Confidence Range: 70%

Nurenberg Model Input - Est. Gross Int. Loading: 0 kg

Lake Phosphorus Model	Low	Most Likely	High	Predicted	% Dif.
	Total P (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Total P (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	Total P (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	-Observed (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	
Walker, 1987 Reservoir	16	36	86	22	157
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Natural Lake	15	28	50	14	100
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Artificial Lake	15	26	42	12	86
Rechow, 1979 General	3	8	18	-6	-43
Rechow, 1977 Anoxic	23	53	125	39	279
Rechow, 1977 water load<50m/year	8	19	44	5	36
Rechow, 1977 water load>50m/year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Walker, 1977 General	16	36	86	21	138
Vollenweider, 1982 Combined OECD	13	27	54	12	82
Dillon-Rigler-Kirchner	9	19	46	4	26
Vollenweider, 1982 Shallow Lake/Res.	10	21	46	6	41
Larsen-Mercier, 1976	14	32	75	17	112
Nurnberg, 1984 Oxidic	8	18	42	4	29

Lake Phosphorus Model	Confidence	Confidence	Parameter	Back	Model
	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	Fit?	Calculation (kg/year)	Type
Walker, 1987 Reservoir	20	69	Tw	0	GSM
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Natural Lake	9	81	FIT	1	GSM
Canfield-Bachmann, 1981 Artificial Lake	8	75	FIT	1	GSM
Rechow, 1979 General	4	15	FIT	0	GSM
Rechow, 1977 Anoxic	30	100	FIT	0	GSM
Rechow, 1977 water load<50m/year	10	36	FIT	0	GSM
Rechow, 1977 water load>50m/year	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Walker, 1977 General	17	73	FIT	0	SPO
Vollenweider, 1982 Combined OECD	12	52	FIT	0	ANN
Dillon-Rigler-Kirchner	11	37	P L qs	0	SPO
Vollenweider, 1982 Shallow Lake/Res.	10	41	FIT	0	ANN
Larsen-Mercier, 1976	19	60	P Pin	0	SPO
Nurnberg, 1984 Oxidic	9	35	FIT	0	ANN



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## APPENDIX E

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### Aquatic Plant Survey Data





Point Number	Latitude	Longitude	ID	Lake Name	County	Date	Field crew	Depth	Sediment	Pole, Rope	Comments	Total Rake Fullness	Brasenia schreberi	Chara spp.	Dulichium arundinaceum	Eriochloa scicularis	Elochea canadensis	Eriocaulon aquaticum	Juncus pelocarpus	Lemna minor	Myriophyllum tenellum	Najas flexilis	Najas gracillima	Najas spp.	Najas variegata	Najas colorata	Potamogeton amplifolius	Potamogeton berchtoldii	Potamogeton ephedrus	Potamogeton gramineus	Potamogeton natans	Potamogeton parvulus	Potamogeton robinii	Potamogeton sprillii	Potamogeton subterminalis	Spergillum fructicans	Utricularia gibba	Utricularia intermedia	Utricularia minor	Utricularia resupinata	Utricularia vulgaris	Vallisneria spiralis	Freshwater sponge	Filamentous algae			
60	45.941577	-89.712146	44	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	16		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
61	45.941226	-89.712147	45	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	15		Pole	SAMPLED	0																																			
62	45.940875	-89.712149	46	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	0																																							
63	45.940524	-89.712151	0	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018		0																																							
64	45.940173	-89.712153	0	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018		0																																							
65	45.939822	-89.712155	19	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	0																																							
66	45.939471	-89.712156	15	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	22																																							
67	45.939120	-89.712158	8	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	16		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
68	45.938769	-89.712160	6	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
69	45.943331	-89.711633	53	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	9	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
70	45.942980	-89.711635	52	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	13	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
71	45.942629	-89.711637	51	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	14	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	0																																			
72	45.942278	-89.711639	50	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	15	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	0																																			
73	45.941927	-89.711641	49	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	15		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
74	45.941576	-89.711642	48	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	17		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
75	45.941225	-89.711644	47	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	0																																							
76	45.940874	-89.711646	139	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	22																																							
77	45.940523	-89.711648	0	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018		0																																							
78	45.940172	-89.711650	0	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018		0																																							
79	45.939821	-89.711651	17	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	24																																							
80	45.939470	-89.711653	16	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	17		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
81	45.939119	-89.711655	7	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	0			NONNAVIGABLE (PLANTS)																																				
82	45.943680	-89.711128	54	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	6	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
83	45.943329	-89.711130	55	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	14	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
84	45.942978	-89.711132	56	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	15		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
85	45.942627	-89.711134	57	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	16		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
86	45.942276	-89.711136	58	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	16		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
87	45.941925	-89.711137	59	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	0																																							
88	45.941574	-89.711139	137	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	21																																							
89	45.941223	-89.711141	138	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	22																																							
90	45.940872	-89.711143	140	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	23																																							
91	45.940521	-89.711145	0	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018		0																																							
92	45.940170	-89.711147	22	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	0																																							
93	45.939819	-89.711148	18	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	19																																							
94	45.944030	-89.710623	66	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	5	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
95	45.943679	-89.710625	65	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	11	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																			
96	45.943328	-89.710627	64	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	15	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			
97	45.942977	-89.710629	63	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	16		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
98	45.942626	-89.710631	62	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	17		Rope	SAMPLED	0																																			
99	45.942275	-89.710632	61	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	19																																							
100	45.941924	-89.710634	60	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	19																																							
101	45.941573	-89.710636	136	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	21																																							
102	45.941222	-89.710638	135	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	22																																							
103	45.940871	-89.710640	134	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	23																																							
104	45.940520	-89.710642	0	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018		0																																							
105	45.940169	-89.710643	21	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	23																																							
106	45.939818	-89.710645	20	Towanda	Vilas	7/11/2018	JLW & NLS	13	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	0																																			
107	45.944029	-89.710120	67	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	EJH & HAL	8	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																			







Point Number	Latitude	Longitude	ID	Lake Name	County	Date	Field crew	Depth	Sediment	Pole, Rope	Comments	Total Rake Fullness	<i>Brasenia schrebri</i>	<i>Chera</i> spp.	<i>Dulichium arundinaceum</i>	<i>Echinochloa scirpoides</i>	<i>Elodea canadensis</i>	<i>Eriocaulon aquaticum</i>	<i>Juncus pelocarpus</i>	<i>Lemna minor</i>	<i>Myricophyllum tenellum</i>	<i>Najas flexilis</i>	<i>Najas gracillima</i>	<i>Niletilia</i> spp.	<i>Najas variegata</i>	<i>Najas colorata</i>	<i>Potamogeton amplifolius</i>	<i>Potamogeton berchoidii</i>	<i>Potamogeton ephedrus</i>	<i>Potamogeton gramineus</i>	<i>Potamogeton natans</i>	<i>Potamogeton parvifolius</i>	<i>Potamogeton robbiniellii</i>	<i>Potamogeton spirillus</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>	<i>Spergularia frutescens</i>	<i>Utricularia gibba</i>	<i>Utricularia intermedia</i>	<i>Utricularia minor</i>	<i>Utricularia resupinata</i>	<i>Utricularia vulgaris</i>	<i>Valisneria spiralis</i>	Freshwater sponge	Filamentous algae							
237	45.9366461	-89.7056308	80	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
238	45.9362951	-89.7056327	79	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1	1									1	1										1																		
239	45.9387509	-89.7051166	87	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	5	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2					2																									1									
240	45.9383999	-89.7051184	88	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	6	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1	1																																		1				
241	45.9380489	-89.7051203	89	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																			1				
242	45.9376979	-89.7051222	90	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1					1																								1					1					
243	45.9373468	-89.705124	91	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2					1											1									2									1					
244	45.9369958	-89.7051259	92	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	11	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
245	45.9366448	-89.7051278	93	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
246	45.9362938	-89.7051296	94	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																				1			
247	45.9359428	-89.7051315	95	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																													1						1				
248	45.9355918	-89.7051333	96	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	0			DOCK																																								
249	45.9387496	-89.7046135	130	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	5	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1	1	1																																					
250	45.9383986	-89.7046153	129	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	6	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2	2				1																																1		
251	45.9380476	-89.7046172	128	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1					1																																		
252	45.9376966	-89.7046191	127	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
253	45.9373455	-89.7046209	126	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
254	45.9369945	-89.7046228	125	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
255	45.9366435	-89.7046247	124	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	11	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
256	45.9362925	-89.7046265	123	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	3					1																																		
257	45.9359415	-89.7046284	122	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
258	45.9355905	-89.7046303	121	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
259	45.9352395	-89.7046321	120	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1	1	1																																					
260	45.9348885	-89.704634	119	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	4	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	0																																							
261	45.9345374	-89.7046358	118	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	3	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
262	45.9341864	-89.7046377	117	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	5	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
263	45.9338354	-89.7046396	116	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	5	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2														2																									
264	45.9334844	-89.7046414	115	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	4	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1														1																									
265	45.9331334	-89.7046433	114	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	4	Sand	Pole	SAMPLED	0																																							
266	45.9320804	-89.7046489	199	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	0			NONNAVIGABLE (PLANTS)																																								
267	45.9313783	-89.7046526	209	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	0			NONNAVIGABLE (PLANTS)																																								
268	45.9387483	-89.7041104	131	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	6	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2					1									2																									
269	45.9383973	-89.7041122	132	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
270	45.9380463	-89.7041141	133	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
271	45.9376953	-89.704116	134	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
272	45.9373442	-89.7041178	135	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1														1	1																								
273	45.9369932	-89.7041197	136	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
274	45.9366422	-89.7041216	137	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2														2																									
275	45.9362912	-89.7041234	138	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1						1																																	
276	45.9359402	-89.7041253	139	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2																																							
277	45.9355892	-89.7041272	140	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	10	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
278	45.9352382	-89.704129	141	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
279	45.9348872	-89.7041309	142	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1																																							
280	45.9345361	-89.7041328	143	Towanda	Vilas																																														

Point Number	Latitude	Longitude	ID	Lake Name	County	Date	Field crew	Depth	Sediment	Pole: Rope	Comments	Total Rare Fulmees	Brauneria schreberi	Chamae ssp.	Dulichium arundinaceum	Echinochloa scirpoides	Eichhornia crassipes	Enocaulon aquaticum	Juncus pelocarpus	Lemna minor	Myriophyllum tenellum	Najas flexilis	Najas gracillima	Najas ssp.	Najas variegata	Najas colorata	Potamogeton amplifolius	Potamogeton berchoidii	Potamogeton ephedrus	Potamogeton gramineus	Potamogeton natans	Potamogeton parvulus	Potamogeton robbini	Potamogeton sprillii	Scheuchzeria palustris	Spergularia fluitans	Utricularia gibba	Utricularia intermedia	Utricularia minor	Utricularia resupinata	Utricularia vulgaris	Valisneria spiralis	Freshwater sponge	Filamentous algae								
296	45.938045	-89.703611	160	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1											1	1		1																										
297	45.937694	-89.7036129	159	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	7	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1											1																													
298	45.9373429	-89.7036148	158	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	8	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2					1							1					1																1							
299	45.9369919	-89.7036166	157	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1												1																												
300	45.9366409	-89.7036185	156	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	1												1																												
301	45.9362899	-89.7036204	155	Towanda	Vilas	7/12/2018	JLW & NLS	9	Muck	Pole	SAMPLED	2											1																													
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Point Number	Latitude	Longitude	ID	Lake Name	County	Date	Field crew	Depth	Sediment	Pole; Rope	Comments	Total Rake Fullness	Brasenia schreberi	Chara spp.	Dulichium arundinaceum	Eriocaulis scitularis	Eriocaulis scitularis	Eriocaulis scitularis	Eriocaulon aquaticum	Juncus pelocarpus	Lemna minor	Myriophyllum tenellum	Najas flexilis	Najas gracillima	Niletila spp.	Nuphar variegata	Nymphaea odorata	Potamogeton amplifolius	Potamogeton bertholdii	Potamogeton ephedrus	Potamogeton gramineus	Potamogeton natans	Potamogeton parvifolius	Potamogeton robinii	Potamogeton spirillus	Potamogeton subterminalis	Sperganium fluctuans	Utricularia gibba	Utricularia intermedia	Utricularia minor	Utricularia resupinata	Utricularia vulgaris	Vallisneria spiralis	Freshwater sponge	Filamentous algae												
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## APPENDIX F

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**Draft Implementation Plan Questionnaire for Committee Review**





1. South End Harvesting Plan - Onterra's Concept Map opening channels from the open water to piers sent out earlier to Committee.

**NOTE: TOTAL VOTES FOR ITEM 11 = (2) VOTES ON THE ISSUE**

**Do we want our Lake Management Plan include?**

- a. A navigable network in the south end of the lake consisting of a main artery (like a public road) to the open water and individual waterways (like driveways) to individual piers.

**111111 Yes (6) 11 (2) No**

The cost of establishing and maintaining the network be borne by: (check 1) **1 No Answer**

**11 (2)** \_\_\_\_\_ Those property owners that want the Navigable Network.

**1 (1) 1/3** \_\_\_\_\_ ½ by the Towanda Lake Association (TLA) & ½ by benefited property owners.

**11 (2) 1/3** **40%**Towanda Lake Association and **60%** Primary Benefited Property Owners.

**1 (1) 1/3** \_\_\_\_\_ Fund raising effort by interested parties supported by TLA.

**Comment: I don't think this will ever happen.**

**Comment: Depends on costs**

- b. Should Additional Weed Harvesting in other strategic areas around the lake.

**11111 (5)\_Yes 111\_(3)\_ No**

- c. Cost Estimates for the main artery, local waterways, and strategic areas?

**11111111 (8)\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No**

- d. A flexible plan that can be altered as needed to provide new and existing piers that are not part of the original Plan.

**11111 (5) Yes 11 (2) No 1 No answer**

**1. Waterskiing, Boating, Fishing, and No Wake Issues**

- a. Should the TLA request the Town Board of Arbor Vitae to establish by ordinance to regulate times for:

Water skiing **111 (3) YES** **11111 (5)\_ No**

Water skiing location **11 (2) Yes** **111111 (6) No** (1 Comment "Not in South Bay)

Jet skiing **111 (3) Yes** **11111 (5) No**

Wake Boats **111 (3) Yes** **11111 (5) No** (Comment: No Wake boats)

Quite time/area for Fishing **11111 (5) Yes** **111 (3) No**

- b. Or should these Issues be addressed by the TLA in an update of the Gentlemen's Agreement with enforcement on a case-by-case basis? **11111 (5) Yes** **11 (2) No**

**1 - No Answer**

## **2. Lake Water Level**

Towanda Lake is a Seepage Lake which means it does not have a surface water stream coming into the lake body or a water stream going out. The lake level varies from a low to a high of up to seven-feet. Some rejuvenation of lake water is from storm water runoff within the topographic area around the lake. Lake water is also recharged through the storm water soaking into the ground, mixing with the ground water table, and emerging as lake water. There are some water springs in Towanda Lake - we do not know where their water comes from. It is clear from the topographic maps and a meandering dry stream bed south of Towanda Lake and Airport Road that it is a part of a dendritic water system that feeds into Little Musky Lake, then into Brandy Lake, Lemma Creek, Johnson Lake, the Tomahawk River, Wisconsin River, Mississippi River, and Golf of Mexico.

During the late 1960's or early 70's the Town of Arbor Vitae re-built Airport Road, including fill in a major dip in the road south of Towanda Lake. There may or may not have been a culvert under the old Airport Road for water to flow from Towanda Lake to dendritic water system feeding into Little Musky Lake.

The United States Geological Survey has a lake level monitoring program available for people or organizations that would like to maintain lake elevation data.

The lake level questions are:

- a. Should TLA pursue establishing a partnership with USGS to officially monitor and establish a data base to USGS standards to monitor ever changing water level?

**111111 (6) Yes** **1 No** **1 Maybe**

- b. Should TLA pursue the placement of a culvert under Airport Road to bleed off extremely high lake water levels into the intermittent stream feeding storm water into Little Musky Lake with the Town of Arbor Vitae, WDNR, and USGS.

**1111 (4) Yes** **1111(4) No**

3. Does the Implementation Plan created by Onterra capture the thoughts of the Committee? 11111111 (8) Yes (-) No
4. Should Onterra to include the Committee Results of this questionnaire in the Towanda Lake Management Plan.

11111111 (7) Yes 1(1) No

5. Your Comments and Suggestions:
1. Good directions in these questions.
  2. We would vehemently oppose restrictions on water skiing and other watercraft uses.
  3. Couldn't answer some questions w/o more information
  4. Good Survey. You did a good job of developing this survey. The reason I checked "No" on all the? about having the Town of Arbor Vitae set our rules is that I don't think we need to rule with a sludge hammer. I think most of these things are already well handled.
  5. When is the Town going to fix the landing?
  6. Share in Stakeholders survey to TLS members and post on website.
  7. Share Implementation Plan to TLA members and post on website.
  8. Work with WDNR to place buoys to identify where water skiing is OK, ie 100 feet from shore.
  9. Sub-committee to work on how to educate and communicate about shoreland conditions and fisheries.

## CONCLUSIONS

C-1 The Towanda Lake Management Plan should contain a concept navigable network in the south end of the lake consisting of a main artery (like a public road) to the open water and individual waterways (like driveways) to individual piers.

C-2 Onterra is to provide estimated costs of establishing and maintaining a Navigable Network determined by Onterra as part of this planning process.

COMPILED by:  
Phil Blazkowski,  
President of TLA

**Towanda Lake  
Management Plan  
Questionnaire for  
Planning Committee**

**RESULTS OF QUESTIONNAIRE**

C-3 The estimated Weed Harvesting in other strategic areas around the lake should be considered as part of the Navigable Network Plan.

C-4 The Weed Harvesting Plan that can be altered as needed to provide new and existing piers that are not part of the original Plan as determined by the TLA Board.

C-5 Waterskiing, Boating, Fishing, and No Wake Issues should be addressed by the TLA Board in an update of the TLA Gentlemen's Agreement.

C-6 The TLA should pursue establishing a partnership with USGS to officially monitor and establish a data base to USGS standards to monitor ever changing water level.

C-7 Based on a tie vote, the TLA should not pursue the placement of a culvert under Airport Road to bleed off extremely high lake water levels into the intermittent stream feeding storm water into Little Musky Lake at this time.

C-8 The Committee concludes the Implementation Plan created by Onterra captures the thoughts of the Committee.

**C-9** Onterra is herein directed to include the Results of this questionnaire in the Towanda Lake Management Plan.

Note: Copies of individual Committee members questionnaires are available upon request from Phil Blazkowski.