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AIS ACTIVITIES 02 Dec 2010 – 17 Feb 2011

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Grant Administration / Grant Updates:

- County AIS Project grant – AIS project grant submitted to WDNR via Pamela Toshner, Lakes Coordinator on January 31st. Grant included funding to increase AIS coordinator position to full time and funds for weekly LWCD admin support.
- County CBCW Iron River & Delta Area grant - Request for reimbursement of 2010 expenses was submitted by Jennifer Schierman with a mid-term report produced by Stefania
- Coastal Mgmt Grant – Final paperwork and expense reimbursements have been submitted by Jennifer.

Outreach/Workshops:

- Planning Invasive Species Management Workshop for Municipal Employees and Right-of-Way Managers with Darienne McNamara of Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA) to be held on April 7th.
- Planning 2nd annual Bayfield County Lakes AIS Round Table Meeting to be held on April 2nd.
- Upcoming Wisconsin Association of Lakes Conference April 12-14

Meetings:

- Dec 2 - AIS Committee- Final grant discussion and review
- Jan 12 - Regional AIS Coordinators Meeting in Spooner- Discussed what each coordinator is doing, how we can work together, grant issues/items, AIS outreach/education ideas(schools/pontoon classroom), Japanese Knotweed, relationship with law enforcement for prosecuting AIS law offenders, and lakes with AIS/no lake group.
- Jan 13 - AIS Committee – Approval of AIS project resolution to go before county board, round table meeting discussion started.
- Jan 20 - GLRI Lake Superior AIS Meeting (WDNR)- GLRI grant components, performance measures, L. Superior Binational Program total prevention plan, inland lakes AIS activities, roles, and responsibilities, roundtable discussion / brainstorm for potential activities and collaborations for this GLRI project
- Feb 4 – AIS Monitoring Meeting (WDNR)- Discussion of : Will you monitor, what and how, if not what are the barriers, WDNR Monitoring Overview – past, present, and future, CLMN Monitoring Overview – process, lakes, and volunteers
- Feb 8 – NCWMA Meeting- Workshop planning, Project Proposal Forms, Promotional Marketing Giveaways, MOU Update, MIPN Update
- Feb10 – AIS Committee – AIS round table planning

Other Activities:

- County Orientation
- Solicited Letters of Support for AIS project Grant from UW-Extension, BC Tourism, NCWMA
- Communication with Washington County AIS Coordinator
- AIS maps saved from GLIFWC data
- Communication with Ingemar Ekstrom Barnes EWM Committee

- Meeting with Jane Swenson
- Wrote introduction articles for NCWMA and BCLF newsletters
- Working with Maureen Ferry as new WDNR AIS specialist for Lake Superior Basin
- Started emailing and communication with other AIS players in county
- Organizing office and files
- Periodic meetings with Office Manager to discuss AIS grants, and budget/funding
- Communications with state personnel involved in the county AIS project

AIS ACTIVITIES 18 Feb 2011 – 07 Apr 2011

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Grant Administration / Grant Updates:

- County AIS Project grant – AIS project grant was approved by WDNR and agreement was received 5 April 2011. The grant scored 30 out of 36 points, which was the second highest out of 13 applications. The grant also received praise for being very good with the “nuts and bolts.” Grant period is from April 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013. The 2009-2010 grant is being used until exhausted (May/June).
- County CBCW Iron River & Delta Area grant – Need to hire a new Long Lake coordinator. Pike & Delta Chain coordinator has been in contact and is ready to go for upcoming season. Working with Forestry Department to continue weekday boat inspections conducted by permanent summer camper at Twin Bear Campground.
- Coastal Mgmt Grant – All final expenses have been reimbursed and grant is completed.

Outreach/Workshops:

- Hosted Invasive Species Management Workshop for Municipal Employees and Right-of-Way Managers with Darienne McNamara of Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA) on April 7th at Northern Great Lakes Visitor Center (NGLVC).
- Held 2nd annual Bayfield County Lakes AIS Round Table Meeting on April 2nd at NGLVC. Tim Kane from UW Extension facilitated meeting. There were in total of 15 in attendance representing 6 Lake Associations/Property Owner Associations, 2 county departments, and 2 DNR offices, and the county AIS committee. A feedback form has been distributed to participants and will help to sustain and improve the event.
- Registered for and attending Wisconsin Association of Lakes Conference April 12-14, 2011
- Attended Clean Boats/Clean Waters(CBCW) and Citizen Lakes Monitoring Network(CLMN) Train the Trainer workshop in Rhinelander on March 29, 2011

Meetings:

- Feb 21 – Barnes EWM Committee- Introduction to group and EWM treatment coordination
- Mar 7 - AIS Committee – Goal setting meeting, assign executors of tasks
- Mar 22 – Purple Loosestrife BioControl Meeting- Planning meeting to set work days, assign tasks, and allocate materials
- Apr 6 – County Administrator – Work out and finalize details of new grant and full time position

Other Activities:

- Met with Iron River Lakes Association (Bill Swenson) representative and received prints to hang in courthouse and distribute.
- Met with Iron River area volunteer(Jane Swenson) regarding CBCW and CLMN workshops
- Initial work on purchasing dissolved oxygen meter for the county
- Phone conversations and emails with WDNR Lake Superior Basin AIS Specialist(Maureen Ferry) regarding Project RED, CBCW, CLMN, monitoring activities, and other AIS issues
- Phone conversations and email with Iron River Lakes Association to be brought up to speed on treatment and history of Pike Chain
- Developing new table for AIS Strategic Plan goals
- Periodic meetings with Office Manager to discuss AIS grants, and budget/funding
- Communications with state personnel involved in the county AIS project
- Submitted vouchers to Office Manager

- Distributed 14 signs to be installed at boat landings throughout county
- Received 27 signs to install at access points to rivers throughout county
- Worked with County Conservationist to update NCWMA MOU

AIS ACTIVITIES 8 Apr 2011 – 9 Jun 2011

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Grant Updates:

- County AIS Project grant – AIS project grant will be completely allocated by the middle of June. The new Grant will then begin to be used. This grant goes through June 2013.
- County CBCW Iron River & Delta Area grant –New Long Lake coordinator has been arranged and there are two inspectors for that lake. Pike & Delta Chain inspections have been occurring on weekends at Buskey Bay, Twin Bear, Town, and Delta landings.

Outreach/Workshops:

- Attended Wisconsin Association of Lakes Conference April 12-14, 2011
- Held CBCW workshop on May 6th for Lake Owen and trained 4 new watercraft inspectors.
- Attended Barnes EWM Committee volunteer appreciation luncheon on May 6th to introduce myself, recruit volunteers and make a display
- Made three 45 minute presentations to Drummond school 4th graders on May 16th about AIS using Most Unwanted posters, specimens, and food web exercise
- Attended and assisted with Drummond Eco-Field trip program classroom exercises on May 16th, 17th, and 24th
- Worked together with Jennifer Schierman to produce and distribute AIS Review Newsletter
- 1 hour AIS presentation to Washburn 5th grade class using Most Unwanted posters, specimens, and food web exercise
- AIS Display at Chequamegon Bay Birding festival at NGLVC
- Held CBCW workshop in Drummond with 12 attendees on May 23rd
- Purple Loosestrife beetle release with Drummond 4th grade class on May 31st
- Presented information on Project RED to Trout Unlimited Wild River Chapter on June 8th
- CBCW Training for Sea Grant inspector assigned to Bayfield County on June 1st

Meetings:

- April 18- Barnes EWM Committee- Planned luncheon and CBCW program details
- May 2- Drummond Eco-Field trip planning meeting
- May 3- Meet with Sea Grant CBCW inspection coordinator- Toured Lake Superior Boat Landings and planned summer inspections
- May 9- NCWMA Meeting- Facebook page for group, treating Japanese Knotweed in city/town of Bayfield, member updates
- May 10- Northern AIS Coordinators meeting in Rhinelander
- May 16- Barnes EWM Committee- Review of luncheon, planning and discussion of Sand Bar treatment with John Skogerboe
- May 19- AIS Committee meeting
- June 8- DNR AIS Strategy meeting in Spooner
 - Meeting with Sheriff and Chief Deputy- Discussed transport law violation, CBCW inspections, and 4th of July Landing Blitz
- June 9- NCWMA Meeting- Farmers Markets, Round Table, and invasive species month
 - Pressure Washer Meeting

Other Activities:

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- Purple Loosestrife Cultivation Permit
- Purple Loosestrife field day and checks on plant growth at AERC center
- Contact with TU organizations about project RED
- Pike/Delta grant management
- Ordered parts for herbicide applicator backpacks and loaned out backpack sprayer for Twin Bear treatment and hand sprayer for Buckthorn treatment
- Discussions of obtaining a portable pressure washer through NCWMA and GLRI funds
- Coordination of Sea Grant inspections
- Eurasian Watermilfoil Man costume being developed
- Ordering and distributing outreach materials
- Submitted AIS Newsletter to all towns
- Started producing some maps using GIS

Future Events/Activities:

- June AIS month Brown Bag lunch presentation for county
- June 30 CLMN Workshop (tentative)
- June 18-19 Port Wing Fishing Tournament
- June 24 Northwest Wisconsin Lakes Conference
- July 4th Weekend Landing Blitz
- July 20- August 6 AIS Coordinator gone (National Guard training)
- Lake Association and Town Board meetings
- Library Presentations
- County Fair
- AIS monitoring of at least 11 lakes this summer