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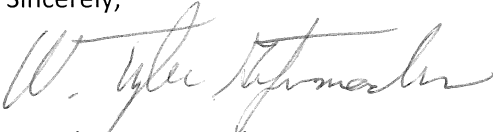
January 30, 2012

Pamela Toshner
DNR Lake Coordinator
810 West Maple Street
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Dear Ms. Toshner,

This is a letter of support for the Silver Lake Association and their decision to submit an application for a Small Scale Grant for this February grant cycle for an educational program to work with local landscapers dealing with shoreline projects. Barron County will assist in the planning and presenting information at the workshops. Subjects such zoning rules dealing with shoreline work and technical ideas for dealing with sloping shorelines will be covered by Barron County personnel. We will also be providing site maps for examples. This program will benefit lakes beyond Silver Lake and throughout the region as the landscapers do work throughout a several county area.

Sincerely,



W. Tyler Gruetzmacher,
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Dear Ms. Toshner,

This is a letter of support for the Silver Lake Association and their decision to submit an application for an Aquatic Invasive Species Education, Prevention and Planning Grant for this February grant cycle. Preventing AIS from entering Silver Lake is a high priority of the residents and users of Silver Lake, and Barron County. With several lakes nearby infested with Eurasian Water Milfoil, the threat of transfer is high. Developing a base knowledge of the aquatic vegetation in the lake with a point intercept survey will give the Lake Association the information needed for future decisions. The training of local landowners to identify invasive species will create opportunities for almost weekly surveys as they are on the water. We concur with their need to improve awareness of AIS and support their efforts as it will benefit all the lakes of Barron County and NW Wisconsin.

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