Lac du Flambeau Town Lakes Committee

Volunteer Appreciation Reception August 28, 2008

TLC Mission

To Protect the Lakes

from

Aquatic Invasive Species

WORK Grant: AEPP-130-38

Program

- Welcome and Introductions
- TLC Mission, Goals, Activities
- Grant Targets ■ Survey Results
- Focus on the Future
- Appreciation

TLC Goals

- Educate and Communicate
- Prevent AIS Infestations
- Manage AIS Infestations
- Operate Efficiently & Effectively

TLC Activities Supported by WDNR Grant

Welcome & Introductions

Dee Mayo, Vice-President, Lac du Flambeau Band of

ATS Coordinators: Jane Piefer, Nancy Edwards, Mark

Francis Chartier, Chair, Lac de Plandeau Town Board

Lake Superior Chippens Indians # Ted Ritter, Wiles County Investive Species Coordinator

= TLC Members

- u Conduct Watermail: lusaections Conduct Lake Monitoring
- Host Rally ■ Present CBCW/AZS Workshop
- Present Training on Starting a Laire Association · Participate in Lakes Fest
- Purple Loosestrife Management # Newsletters, Brochure, Education Packets
- # Rapid Response Plan & Strategic Plan
- w Support Lake Association Attendance at Workshops

WDNR AIS Grant

- In January 2008, the TLC submitted a grant application to the WDNR requesting
- In early April, the Town Board was notified that it would receive \$44,000.00 from the WDNR (matching grant) to sponsor several AIS prevention activities.

funds to combat AIS

 Lac du Flambeau Town Board Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior

Grant Partners

- Chippewa Indians ■ Crawling Stone Lakes Association Shishebogama-Gunlock Lakes Association
- White Sand Lake Association ■ Lake Placid Lakes Association
- Squaw Lake Association
- Ike Walton Lake Association

Grant Supporters

- Roger Breske, State Senator, 12th District
- Dan Meyer, State Representative, 34th Assembly District · Victoria Doud, Lake Superior Band of Chippenia Indians * Ted Ritter, Invasive Species Coordinator, Vilas
- County w Sue Drum, Secretary, Wiles County Lakes Association
- Ronald Zimmer, Lac du Flambeau Lions

- « Judy Sudbury, Lac du Flambeau Avea Improvement
 - Dr. Tim Kratz, Director, Trout Lake Station, University of Wiscousi

Grant Targets

- 2000 Hours of Watercraft Inspections
- 700 Hours of Lake Monitoring
- Raise the equivalent of \$14,000 in volunteer time and other donations

Progress As of August 4, 2008

Watercraft Inspections

Target 2000 Hours Actual 1844 Hours Lake Monitoring

Target 700 Hours Actual 998 Hours Dollar Equivalent Donations

Target \$14,000 Actual \$28,340

Survey Results

Do you believe AIS threatens local ecosystems?

Yes 98%
No 1%
DK 0%
NR 1%

Survey Results

Do you believe that the presence of AIS would detract from the attractiveness of lakes in LDF?

Yes 95% No 2% DK 2% NR 1%

Survey Results

Do you support the TLC's effort to stop the spread of AIS?

Yes 98% No 0% DK 2% NR 0%

Survey Results

Have you taken time to conscientiously look for Aquatic Invasive Species in water near your residence?

> Yes 72% No 26% NR 2%

Survey Results

If AIS like Eurasian water milfoil is found in a lake in Lac du Flambeau, should chemicals be used to manage the infestation?

Yes 45% No 4% DK 46% NR 4%

Survey Results

If AIS like Eurasian water milfoil is found in a lake in Lac du Flambeau, should the plants be removed by hand?

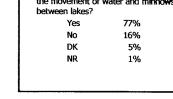
Yes 56% No 5% DK 35% NR 3%

Survey Results

Do you know what to do if you suspect you have found AIS?

Yes 77% No 12% DK 11% NR 0%

Survey Results Survey Results Have you heard of a fish disease called viral Are you aware of the new rules regarding hemorrhagic septicemia, also called VHS? the movement of water and minnows between lakes? 74% Yes Yes No 24% No DK DΚ 1% NR NR 1%



Have the TLC newsletters been effective in informing you about AIS? Yes 91% No 2% DK 3% MR 3%

Survey Results

Survey Results Is issuing such newsletters an appropriate

91% Yes No 0% DK 6% NR 2%

use of tax dollars?

Survey Results Is having watercraft inspectors at landings an effective way to keep AIS from

spreading? Yes 86% No 1% DK 13% NR 0%

Survey Results Is having watercraft inspectors at landings an effective way to educate the public about AIS? Yes 92%

0% No DK 6% NR 1%

dollars?

Yes

No

DK

NR

Survey Results Is employing individuals to inspect watercraft an appropriate use of tax 78% 6%

13%

2%

Survey Results Do you think watercraft inspectors should be paid, unpaid, mix of paid & unpaid? Paid 11% Unpaid 10% Mix 73%

6%

NR

Survey Results Do you believe consideration should be given to expanding the TLC's focus to include terrestrial invasive species in addition to aquatic invasive species? Yes 52% 9% No DK 34%

5%

NR

Survey Results

How many minutes did it take you to complete the survey?

Minutes Value Stamps Value 993 \$132.34 65 \$29.40

The total value of the minutes & stamps donated (\$161.74) generated \$485 from the WDNR, enough to cover 40 hours of a coordinator's salary.

Focus on the Future

Your Thoughts are Needed!

- ✓ What should the TLC focus on in the future?
 ✓ What is the TLC doing that it should continue to do?
- ✓ What is the TLC doing that it should stop doing?
 ✓ All things considered, what grade do you give the TLC? A, B, C, D, F?

Please complete the handout and turn it in before you leave



Volunteers are Appreciated!



■ Ted Ritter, Vilas County Invasive Species Coordinator









