WISCONSIN DNR KIOSK GRANT AEPP-185-09

FINAL REPORT SUMMARY

The Presque Isle Town Lakes Committee (PITLC), formed in 2005, is a coalition of members from all existing lake associations in the Town of Presque Isle. An early organizational awareness and concern for long term lakes' health led to our DNR grant applications to study local water bodies to eventually involve the entire Presque Isle watershed. The ongoing PITLC activities promote the education of lakeshore property owners, other lake users and the general public to the need for personal responsibility and vigilance in keeping our waters AIS free to the greatest extent possible.

Recapping deliverables for this kiosk project grant portion of ongoing activities can be summarized as follows:

CBCW activities and boat landing contacts have been tallied and SWIMS reporting has substantially exceeded the 75 hours originally proposed. These activities have led to ongoing, systematic and regularly targeted boat landing vigils adopted by individual lake associations. DNR inspection form 3200-120 was routinely used and completed for all boat contacts at the landings, turned over to the DNR and added to the SWIMS website.

- a) AIS monitoring forecasts were for 75 hours of shoreline surveys and sweeps. These hours were accomplished by the establishment of such formalized activities on Crab Lake, Oxbow Lake and Presque Isle Lake and dialogue and encouragement for similar activities on the balance of waterways in the Town of Presque Isle.
- b) Educational activities include a 2-year total of more than 180 hours of classroom/hands-on educational children's classes by a current PITLC board member whose presentation has been adopted for statewide usage by the DNR in a DVD format. Also included would be educational information dispersed at booths at Town of Presque Isle activities such as the annual Country Fair and all Town and area sponsored fishing tournaments.

- c) Media releases occurred in concert with specific activities and were comprehensive with respect to individual categories of deliverables to include the CBCW children's story hours, CBCW and AIS informational gatherings and APMP grant process updates.
- d) Kiosk activities include the planning, materials acquisition, placement, construction and finishing. Also, signage transfers, updates, replacement and removal of designated obsolete signage to insure current information, both DNR and Town related, is correct and appropriate was completed. The kiosks are of a substantial nature, well exceeding the requirements for wind and snow loading and due to careful design criteria, accomplished in a workmanlike manner, they should last several decades with normal care.

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