SPOONER LAKE DISTRICT GRANT ACTIVITY REPORT

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Clean Boats/Clean Waters Activity

Training – Formal training was not held this year but we had new monitors watch the CBCW tapes and review the manuals. In addition Ron Boushon the CBCW leader also worked with each paid and volunteer members at the boat ramp to ensure that proper procedures were in place for each monitor. In 2013 we are expanding requirements for all paid and new volunteer monitors to attend the CBCW training at the DNR. Monitoring was typically performed on Fri evening Sat and Sundays and Holidays. On July 4 we could not get anyone to monitor the landing. Several board members and lake members looked at the boat landing and a total of 3 boats were in the parking lot and were residents of the lake. The boat ramp remained dry nearly all day until several residents took their boats out of the water.

Statistics – A downloaded spreadsheet from all activity downloaded excel spreadsheet from the CBCW reporting system is included in soft copy. The columns are summarized at the bottom of the sheet. 548.75 hours were spent by monitors at the boat landing. 462.75 hours were paid and 85.75 hours were volunteered. Volunteer time was down about 50 hours from the prior year. We are pushing to get volunteers more involved. 595 incoming and 468 outgoing boats were inspected. A total of 2,398 people were contacted. 98 people were not aware of the laws and 15 were unsure and 879 indicated they were aware of the laws. The boats coming into the lake were very clean and had no visible weeds. If any were found the boater was notified and the monitor removed them. We had a trash bag on site for the disposal of weeds and bait. Very few people used live bait and dumped it before leaving.

Issues – One boater refused inspection and was reported to the authorities. The authorities did find the person and we do not know what the outcome was. No other issues were reported to me.

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