Aquatic Invasive Species Report Spring 2015



Your Association is continuing its AIS abatement program in 2015. Before we talk about 2015, let's look at our efforts in 2014.

- Whole lake treatment on Clearwater Lake with fluridone
- Spot treatment on the north shore of Thousand Island Lake with 2,4-D
- Hand pulling on Thousand Island Lake
- Spot treatment on the south end of Morley Lake

This year, we will continue our efforts on Clearwater Lake with 2,4-D spot treatments as needed. The whole lake treatment protocol requires two follow-up years of spot treatment. 2015 will be the first of two. We have high hopes that given the results of the same treatment on neighboring Langford and Bass Lakes, this year's survey will find few if any plants that survived the whole lake treatment last year.

Thousand Island Lake will continue to receive the 2,4-D spot treatment on the north shore along with hand-pulling on the east shore. This year, we will attempt a new method of manual plant removal- Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting or DASH. We are excited to see this new method in action.

Morley Lake had its first year of Eurasian Water Milfoil detected last year. Depending on the effectiveness of last year's treatment, we may attempt another chemical spot treatment, hand-pulling, DASH, or nothing.

Big Lake continues to vex us with not showing any EWM until late in the seasontoo late to treat. Unfortunately, Wisconsin DNR rules do not allow us to use last year's coordinates for this year's treatment. The worst of the EWM is on the south end with isolated plants in the east shore.

By now, all members should have received our annual AIS fund raising letter in the mail. We are pleased to offer for the first time the ability for members to make

donations via our website CiscoChainROA.com Making donations through our website has benefits for both you and the Association. For you, it provides instantaneous processing of your donation- no waiting for a check to clear- and provides an instantaneous year-end tax receipt for donating to a 501(c)(3) organization. For us, it reduces the enormous amounts of man-hours it takes to process your donation and the cost to mail out receipts. The donation portal accepts Pay Pal or any major credit or debit card. We hope you find this an easier way to help up help you!

As always, your Association and Invasive Species Task Force appreciate your support.

Thank you! Bob McGuffin Vice President CCROA Member- Invasive Species Task Force