

SHORE LINES

Promoting Safe Fun on Clean Lakes

Cisco Chain Riparian Owners Association

www.ciscochainroa.com Email: ccroa49969@gmail.com

May 2024

President's Report

By Eugene Clark

That was an unusual winter. Our last early ice out was probably in 2012, in February. This mild winter was defined by a lack of snow. Many of the snowmobile and cross-country skiing trails never opened. I saw limited snowmobile traffic on the ice. Many tourists cancelled their trips, impacting our local businesses.

Spring has now fully sprung at the writing of this newsletter. Welcome back to all of those returning home to the Cisco Chain. It is great to see everything turning green. The sun feels great. The “no see ums” remain a pest! But we will get through that just fine.

This newsletter features many important articles. Please take a look. The AIS budget will grow this year. While EWM appears to be spreading in more locations, the areas remain sparse, so hand pulling will be the focus for control. We are planning several chemical applications.

We report on the successful release of some 10,000 walleye fingerlings in October. You all received the results of the Cisco Chain Survey on Wake Surf Boats this winter; we cover that information again. We also cover issues of proper lake shore management and other environmental concerns.



Lakes Photo courtesy of JerryClarkPhotography. Nature on Display: Record, Big & Little Africa and Clearwater Lakes

The CCROA promotes activities that protect our land, shorelines and waters. The near wilderness pristine nature of the Chain is a treasure to protect for the generations to come. This body of water is really unique compared to the waters in south and central Wisconsin and Michigan. We encourage everyone to balance their recreational activities with preserving the Chain's natural qualities. We ask that all activities be consistent with our Mission: “Promoting Safe Fun on Clean Lakes.” This is our *Lake Culture*.

We commissioned our Chain Biologists, Many Waters LLC, to write an extensive report on the condition of our waters covering the past several years. This will be a large document, some 50 pages. It will be available online at www.ciscochainroa.com this summer. You can then review your lake in this report and see how it

compares with the other lakes on the Chain. I found the draft document very interesting.

The CCROA remains financially healthy. Membership contributions and grant reimbursements remain important sources of funding. We limit assessments though our two lake districts (one in Wisconsin and one in Michigan) to when the need arises. We are staffed with a group of volunteers dedicated to our mission.

This Shore Lines newsletter will be emailed to all members of the CCROA for which we have email addresses. In addition, it will be mailed to riparian owners for which we have physical addresses. This address will be the one that the real estate taxing authority has on file, where your real estate tax bill is sent. Those riparian owners who are not members, please join the Association, and show support for the programs on the Chain. We are all in this together!

The ISCCW, a Good Partner!

By Denise Fauntleroy, President, ISCCW and Eugene Clark

The Invasive Species Control Coalition of Watersmeet (ISCCW) remains a key partner with the Cisco Chain in protecting all the waters in Watersmeet Township and border lakes. This includes the Cisco Chain. It mans the boat landings at Palmer Bay on Big Lake, Thousand Island Lake, and Cisco Lake, providing boat inspection, washing and education. It also provides educational and awareness programs in the area. The CCROA coordinates many of its activities with the ISCCW.

ISCCW Poster



Early this Spring, the ISCCW held its first Muskie Expo at the Lac Vieux Desert Casino & Resort. It featured 4 well-

known local muskie guides as speakers, many vendors, and a focus on preventing the spread of AIS in our waters. It was well-attended, and it is looking to grow in the years to come.

The ISCCW provided aid to Duck Lake last year in their management of EWM. This support was warranted as Duck Lake is visited by fishermen, who can carry EWM to other waters. Duck Lake residents have been a strong partner with the ISCCW. The ISCCW is also supporting Crooked Lake in removing EWM over the 2023-25 seasons. Crooked is a common entry point to other lakes in the Sylvania Wilderness tract, and a neighbor to the Chain. This year, support for Langford Lake will commence; they are also a neighbor to the Chain. These activities help protect the Chain and other Watersmeet waters.

The CCROA highly recommends supporting the ISCCW. The ISCCW has just over 400 members and Chain riparian owners make up about one-third of that number. This support is well deserved. Please continue your support, and those not members of the ISCCW, please access their website www.isccw.org and contribute!

Cisco Chain Riparian Owners Wake Surf Boat Survey Summary Results

By Steve Kessler

We thank all who took the time to fill out the WSB Survey included with our Fall 2023 Shore Lines Newsletter. The newsletter and survey were emailed to our members. A hard copy was also mailed to the tax address on file for all Chain riparian owners. We mailed 607 copies.

We were pleased with the participation results: 106 surveys returned from a pool of 607 (17%) mailed. Some 98 checked "Yes" to "Are you a member", which is 34% of the current 285 members. Sixty-one (61) of you provided comments.

All submitted comments, and a complete summary of survey results can be found on the CCROA's website at the following address: www.ciscochainroa.com/News-Events/2024/1-2024-Survey-Results.pdf

The CCROA has provided information on WSB operation throughout the last three years. Our first WSB article was included in our Fall 2021 newsletter. Interest in this topic grew in 2022, and we continued to publish updates on its development. The spring 2023 newsletter included 5

voluntary unenforceable guidelines for the operation of WSBs while in “wake-surfing mode” together with the rationale and thoughts behind each guideline. Our website contains several links to WSB information. Our July Annual Meeting included presentations from two speakers on this subject. The Survey was designed to gauge membership feelings following all of these educational opportunities.

Summary: *The respondents overwhelmingly support the published guidelines or more restrictive guidelines (94%). The vast majority (75-95%) are concerned about damage and safety issues; 7% are not. A strong majority feel regulations are required (80%), while 18% feel further education will be sufficient. 84% would support a local ordinance.*

The CCROA board will continue to review the voluntary and non-enforceable guidelines regarding the operation of Wake Surf Boats on the Cisco Chain as additional information becomes available. The current CCROA guidelines recommended for Surf Mode operation are to be at least 500 feet from shore, in at least 20 feet of water, on a lake at least 500 acres in size, and that ballast tanks be dry prior to transport.

Successful Walleye Planting Last October

Collaborative

The efforts of Phil Wolbrink with the support of Tim Lathrop came to fruition the 3rd week of October last year when just over 10,000 walleye fingerlings (5-7 inches) were released at the Thousand Island Lake boat landing and at Lindsley Lake near the north channel.

The process took several turns in getting this planting approved. The Michigan DNR preferred the “Bay De Noc” strain of walleye that came from a fishery near Sault Ste. Marie. Gino from the Watersmeet Trout Hatchery handled the transport logistics to our waters. Michigan DNR issued the permit a week before release after examining a sample of the fingerlings. The fingerlings were not cheap. We last stocked the Chain in 2019 with 8,000 fingerlings at a cost of approximately \$2.20 per fingerling. That was pre-Covid. We then had 3 years where circumstances prevented us acquiring the fingerlings. The price increased to \$3.20 in 2023 due to

inflation and other factors. So, we wish this new release good luck in surviving to maturity!



Release of the Walleye

More on Walleyes

By Steve Kessler

I attended two WDNR sessions and one Walleyes Unlimited session at the Wisconsin Lakes and Rivers Convention. I learned a little and I learned how little I know. Here I summarize my key take aways.

Walleye harvest across the ceded territory has been declining since the recent peak year of 2011. The number of walleyes harvested in 2021 was one third the 2011 harvest. If you have noticed a decline in walleye fishing on the chain, you are right, and we are not alone.

Threats to Walleyes include warming water, shifts in dominance to other species, habitat degradation and the preference to harvest vs release. Working in favor of the species: lots of attention from management agencies, extensive ongoing research leading to better management, and dedicated partners, i.e., lake associations, Walleyes Unlimited and other clubs, continue extensive efforts to both stock fish and improve habitat.

It is too soon to give up on Walleyes. The DNR and groups like Walleyes Unlimited continue their knowledge-based efforts to improve the key ingredients of habitat and water quality.

If you are interested in working with me in pursuing a knowledge based approach for the Cisco Chain, there are a lot of tools available. We need to learn how to best use them. I would prefer to begin this exploration with the help of others. Let me know if you would like to join the team.

Boating Courtesy

By Debra Kessler

As we get back out on the lakes, some simple courtesies can go a long way to assure we can all have safe fun while respecting other lake users and property owners.

- Observe no wake areas. These zones protect shorelines and help keep swimmers safe.
- Stay a safe distance from shores and other watercraft.
- Keep music at a respectable level.
- Be aware of your wake. You are responsible for any damage done by your wake. When you are not on plane, your boat may be creating a larger wake that disturbs shorelines, swimmers, other watercraft and wildlife.
- Instruct any visitors or guests on the proper use of watercraft.

The Wisconsin DNR and Michigan DNR have detailed information on safe and legal operation of watercraft as well as equipment required on board for the various types of watercraft and links to report reckless operation of watercraft.

HWY B Spring Cleanup by Riparians

Collaborative

On April 17, 2024, CCROA members Dan Sauer and Jim Okraszewski completed the road clean up between Thousand Island Lake Road and the boat landing on Helen Creek. The trash removal is done each Spring and

Fall and sponsored by the CCROA as noted by the “Clean Boats – Clean Waters” sign on Hwy B.

Four large trash bags of refuse were collected and included such items as snowmobile parts, and drink containers. This year someone driving HWY B definitely preferred Bush Light!

Thank you to Dan and Jim for helping the CCROA make the world, especially this stretch of HWY B, a cleaner place.

Highline Update

Collaborative

As reported in the Watersmeet News, Highline has already run most of the fiber optic lines for high-speed internet in Watersmeet, in the public road right of ways. This year they will be continuing their build out-connecting individual homes along the public roads as well as finishing running fiber optic lines down many of the private roads

To grant access to Highline to bury fiber optic cable down your private road, a Right of Entry form must be completed. To run the necessary fiber optic cable down a private road, every property must complete the Right of Entry form. If one property does not complete the form, no properties on that private road will be connected to the network.

Highline has obtained the necessary ROEs to extend fiber along the following roads: Big Lake Road, Palmquist Road, White Birch Road, Poor Lake Road, Maplewood Road, Allen Lake Road, W Cisco Lake Road (north driveway), Channel Road, and West side of Clearwater Lake (driveway).

If you live on a private road that is not listed above, please be sure to complete the ROE to grant Highline permission to run fiber down your road. Your contact at Highline is Joe Erickson, his phone number is 906-280-6298 or email Joe.Erickson@HighlineFast.com. Joe will also be at the CCROA annual meeting on July 13.

Any other questions, please feel free to contact Yvonne Clark, Trustee, at 906-477-3029 or John Oliver, Trustee at 847-639-7978.

Cisco Chain Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) 2024 Plan and 2023 Recap

By Steve Kessler CCROA AIS Manager

2024 Summary AIS Budget	2024 Funding Source				Total 2024 Budget
	Lake Mgt Fund	Grants	ISCCW	CCROA	
Activity					
Survey, Dive, DASH EWM	\$0	\$34,268	\$0	\$26,423	\$60,691
Chemical Treatments (Provision)	0	0	0	33,637	33,637
Water Quality	0	3,986	0	16,284	20,270
Subtotal	0	38,255	0	76,344	114,598
Boat Landing Inspections & Washes	0	7,141	25,000	0	32,141
AIS Education & Admin			9,000	0	9,000
Total	\$0	\$45,396	\$34,000	\$76,344	\$155,739

Our Aquatic Invasive Species management plan consists of four main components:

- 1) Clean Boats/Clean Waters
- 2) Water Quality Monitoring
- 3) Herbicide Treatments
- 4) Surveying, hand pulling, and diver assisted suction harvesting (DASH)

Everything we do is carefully planned and managed. We hire a biologist, Many Waters, to manage the process and to help us apply for grants from the Wisconsin DNR (WDNR).

Many Waters helped us apply for, and ultimately receive, a three-year grant from the WDNR. We are in year #2. This grant is available to offset costs incurred managing AIS on the Wisconsin lakes. Over the three-year period we will submit \$154,518 of costs and will receive reimbursement at a rate of 75% or \$115,889. The WDNR grant enables us to continue implementing recommendations detailed in the 2016 Comprehensive Management Plan for West Bay, Mamie, and Big Lakes.

Per the above 2024 budget, the CCROA will fund approximately \$76,000 of the 24 budget, an additional \$45,000 will be funded by the WDNR grant and we will receive services from ISCCW valued at \$34,000.

Clean Boats/Clean Waters:

The Invasive Species Control Coalition of Watersmeet (ISCCW) manages the Clean Boats/Clean Waters

program at the Palmer Bay and Thousand Island boat landings. Each year they provide us with “in kind services”, payroll and equipment costs incurred at the Palmer Bay landing. Last year the ISCCW funded 717 Palmer Bay payroll hours and 270 equipment hours at a cost of \$22,000. We will recover approximately \$7,000 through our WDNR grant. This program will continue in 2024.

Water Quality Monitoring:

We thank Loretta & Patrick Cornfield for their years of voluntary service managing the Chain's water quality program. This program includes our secchi disk depth readings and water sampling for dissolved oxygen and phosphorus levels. Thanks to Carol & Paul Steinbrecher for stepping up to run this program in 2024.

There are volunteers on each lake who give their time throughout the summer to take these readings. They are John Oliver-Big Africa, Little Africa and Record Lakes, Tom Krautkramer-Big and Morley, Jim Boehm-Cisco, Jack Erhart-Clearwater, Scott Saveraid-East Bay, Tom Ziehen-Fishhawk, Jeff Premetz-Lindsley, Paul and Carol Steinbrecher-Mamie and Indian, Greg Wenzel-Poor, Patrick Cornfield-Thousand Island and Ron Buczkiewicz-West Bay. Be sure to say thank you if you see them out on the water. The secchi program generates the data which our biologists use to analyze water quality trends. We will have a 2023 summary report on this data on our website soon.

Herbicide Treatments:

Areas requiring herbicide treatment are identified through annual surveys of known Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) locations and through annual rotating methodical surveys to identify new infestations. A treated site is carefully monitored each year following treatment.

We spent less than budget in 2023 as surveys ultimately determined a need for application on only one of the three sites which were under consideration. 9.6 acres on Lindsley Lake were treated.

Treatment is planned for six different sites in 2024. Four sites are each smaller than 1.5 acres, one on Fishhawk, two on Thousand Island, and one on Morley. Two treatment sites are planned on Big Lake. One site is 1.96 acres, and the other is 7.2 acres.

Three sites on Big Lake were treated in 2020. Per surveys in 2023, two of these sites show a significantly lower incidence of EWM than they did before treatment in 2020.

The remaining site is near the west shore across the lake from the Big Lake/West Bay channel. That 1.9-acre site has been selected for re-treatment in 2024 as the current EWM incidence is higher than it was before the 2020 treatment. The second Big Lake EWM infestation identified for 2024 herbicide treatment is a 7.2-acre area in front of the Palmer Bay boat landing. This area is selected for treatment as it is a high traffic area and as such, there is significant risk of EWM spread.

Surveying, Hand Pulling and DASH:

Where should divers be deployed to pull EWM? Where should we apply herbicide treatments? How effective have past treatments been? Two surveys each year monitor for AIS, and map EWM. The first survey monitors previously identified EWM sites, proposed herbicide treatment sites, and high traffic areas. The second survey assesses the lake-wide population of EWM while monitoring for new aquatic invasive species.

Additionally, a detailed native vegetation assessment is conducted on each lake about once every five years. These assessments are called “point intercept” surveys. In 2023-point intercept surveys were completed on Mamie, Big Africa, and Clearwater Lakes. Point Intercept surveys are planned on West Bay and Big Lakes in 2024.

Hand Pulling and DASH efforts in 2023 focused on the southwest shore of West Bay just north to the channel to Big Lake, the channel region connecting West Bay and Big Lake, Poor Lake, and all channels in Michigan.

Conclusion:

Most EWM sites on the Chain are “sparse” or “moderate”. The evidence shows that management works but, despite ongoing efforts, the incidence of EWM has slowly increased. The reality that improvements are possible, but efforts must persist is reflected in the survey results for Big Lake: EWM abundance decreased from 19.7 acres in 2015 to 8.07 acres in 2019 and has increased to 44.4 acres in 2023. To control EWM, and other invasives on our Chain, both our efforts and our funding of those efforts, need to be long term and continuous.

Cisco Chain Lake District (CCLD) and Michigan Special Assessment District (MSAD)

By Steve Kessler

Your tax bill contained no assessment from either lake district this past winter. There are approximately 570 private taxable lots on the Michigan side and 175 such lots on the Wisconsin side. Consequently, we could raise \$74,500 per year for AIS budget support if both districts were to assess \$100 per parcel.

The part of the AIS budget that is funded from the CCROA treasury each year is about \$75K to \$90K. Good news: we will be able to fund AIS this season and next from cash now in the bank. It is not likely that we will need to assess this coming winter. A final decision will be made later this summer. Since formation in 2018, the districts have assessed only three times.

The 2024 CCLD annual board meeting will be held on June 19 (time TBD) at the Land O’Lakes Town Hall. The Board consists of chairperson Steve Kessler, Secretary Paul Steinbrecher and Treasurer Ron Buczkiewicz. The agenda will include approval of the 2024 AIS budget.

Herbicide Applications

By Steve Kessler

Please contact us, and provide detailed location information, should you happen to find a Eurasian Milfoil infestation. We will relay this information to our biologist who will determine if your find was previously unknown and will consider it for future management via hand pulling or herbicide treatment.

Riparians should be aware that any herbicide application must be done only after obtaining a permit. Last year a Chain riparian notified us as to a potential unauthorized herbicide application. The CCROA takes such illegal actions seriously; we viewed the alleged site and referred it to our biologist for subsequent monitoring. We encourage riparians to be watchful for any such activity.

It is illegal for anyone to apply aquatic herbicide chemicals to the waters by their shoreline without first obtaining a permit. This includes applications of the widely advertised product “Aquacide”. Aquacide is meant for use on small ponds. It is a 2-4D product. The Chain moved from 2-4D products to ProcellaCor about 5 years ago. ProcellaCor is a systemic herbicide, has a reduced risk rating from the EPA, and binds to specific receptors that are only found in milfoil and a few other plants. ProcellaCor’s initial cost is higher than 2-4D products, but it is more economical as treatments should provide multiple years of control. We hire a licensed applicator for all planned herbicide applications.

Healthy Shorelines Support Healthy Lakes

By Debra Kessler



As property owners we have the ability and responsibility to be good stewards of our beautiful lakes. A healthy natural shoreline is a major contributor to maintaining clean and swimmable water, reducing erosion, maintaining habitat for fish and native wildlife, and protecting property value. You can view a great nine-minute video that highlights the importance of preserving our shorelines on YouTube.com; search “Our Lakeshore Connection” or copy this link into your browser.

https://youtu.be/_WyKzpwuxKY?si=zNdb6fvRS1Z6H_jK

The state of Wisconsin’s Healthy Lakes and Rivers Program has grants available to install native shoreline plantings and rain gardens to reduce runoff from hard surfaces. The CCROA is eligible to request these grants. Please contact me by June 30 if you are interested in applying and I will work with you. There is also information regarding best practices for improving habitat and water quality at healthylakeswi.com.

For Michigan Property Owners, there is a program supporting natural shorelines called Michigan Shoreline Stewards Program www.mishorelinepartnership.org. This program has information on the basics of protecting your shoreline as well as recognizes property owners who are good stewards of their shoreline.

Join us Saturday July 13 at the for the CCROA Annual meeting and Picnic!

Collaborative

The 2024 Annual Meeting of the CCROA will be held July 13 from 10 am to Noon at the Cisco Lake Resort Pavilion. A hot dog lunch will follow the business meeting. Join us to assure you have the latest information and to mingle with your fellow riparian owners.

There is one open CCROA board position that needs to be filled this year. Laura Mans has graciously served as Membership Director for several years and is now leaving this role. We sincerely thank Laura for her service in this critical position.

If you are interested in learning more about filling this position for the coming year, please contact Eugene Clark.

Back to Native – Exploring Joe Pye Weed

By Francie Stoner-Master Gardener Intern

Gardening in the Northwoods is so much easier with native plants! These plants, because they are NATIVE, love our climate and our soils. And they are so beautiful. I kayak the lakes to get close so I can see all of the beautiful flowers people are growing on their shorelines. I get lots of ideas there! My shoreline has been pretty boring... that's changing! I can't wait to see what spring brings with the native flowers I planted last year. So, join me! Let's get BACK TO NATIVE!

I'll start with one of my favorites, and easiest to grow: Joe Pye Weed! Gorgeous pinkish-purple flowers that butterflies LOVE! It is Bee friendly and it also attracts hummingbirds. It is low maintenance and DEER AND RABBIT RESISTENT! (although it may need some protection from deer the first 2 to 3 years) Does it get better than that? Perfect for Northwoods summers at the lake!

Who was Joe Pye? The story goes that Joe Pye was Mohican, a Native American healer from Colonial



Massachusetts in the late 1700s to early 1800s. He was a said to be a medicine man who made a tea from this plant to treat Typhoid fever. Legend has it that his concoction stopped the Typhoid epidemic that was raging the area! The plant he used was then referred to as 'Joe Pye Weed.'

Here's what you need to know:

It grows in full sun to partial shade. (If we have a



scorching summer, it may want a little sun relief! But it will survive) It prefers a moist, well-drained, rich soil, especially as it is getting good root structure. After it matures though, it will tolerate clay and sandy soils and short periods of drought. And it really grows in all soil pH levels! So you don't have to wait on your soil analysis to get started!

It blooms mid-summer to early fall and smells a little like vanilla. It needs room, though... it can grow to 7 feet tall, so you may need to stake it and you will want this at the back of your garden area. If you want to keep it short, you can prune it back by half in late June. This causes more stems to shoot up and you get a bushier plant.

Our winters can be cold (don't take the 2023-24 winter as anything to use as standard!). USDA says our area is zone 4 so Joe Pye Weed grows well in our climate as a perennial. After freezing temps arrive, Joe Pye weed goes dormant. You can prune it back in the fall or wait until spring. Don't wait too long because it flowers on new growth. When it grows to give you a nice big clump of stems, you can easily propagate by dividing the clump with a spade to separate into smaller clusters or dig up the whole plant and separate stem with root, by stem with root. The seeds from the flowers also propagate nicely. Like I said, this is a really forgiving plant – survives most thumbs – from green to brown! And maybe you will want to have a Joe Pye Tea Party!

Bring on the butterflies!

Let me know if you have a favorite plant you want reviewed or one to research!

Fascinating Finds in Northern Lakes

By Debra Kessler, info from Paul Skawinski, Wisconsin Water Week Convention Presentation source

Did you know there are carnivorous plants and jellyfish on the Cisco Chain? Take a closer look when you are out paddling or snorkeling, and you may find these:

Pitcher Plant: Found in boggy areas, the leaves are formed into pitchers that hold water. They rely on a specific mosquito and midge to process prey that gets trapped inside the pitcher.



Sundews: Another carnivorous plant found in bogs are sundews. The two most common sundews shown below, are Round Leaf and Spoon Leaf. Both are about the size of quarter and produce sticky droplets on the hairs of their leaves. Insects that land on the leaf are trapped and over time the leaf will roll around the insect. Enzymes are released to digest the insect.



Whirligig Beetles: These shiny water beetles swim in a zig zag pattern over the water. They are very slippery, and you have probably noticed them

as you are paddling in the lake. But did you know they have two sets of eyes? One set of eyes are on top of the water to spot birds and other predators and the other below water to spot underwater predators



Freshwater Jellyfish: Transparent and about the size of a nickel they are often attached to plants and rocks as well as floating in the water. First noticed in the 1960's they are difficult to see, but you just may spot one.



Miscellaneous

CALL 911 for EMERGENCIES

Non-Emergency Dispatch

Negaunee Regional Dispatch (for on reservation):

906 475 1199

Watersmeet Police: 906 366 0189

Vilas County Sheriff's Office: 715 479 4441

AED Locations

Cisco Lake Resort, Wilderness Bay, McCormack's Cisco Chain Marina, Bents Camp, The Black Oak, Bear Trap, Brew's Pub, The Alley

Around Town Events-Land O'Lakes

See Landolakeswi.gov for updates on events.

The Land O Lakes Chamber of Commerce will be hosting Karaoke Nights and Movie Nights June through September. Check the Chamber Calendar for Details

Land O Lakes Community Garage Sale Aug 2 – 3.

Land O Lakes Fish and Game Club, See lolfishandgame.wixsite.com/lolfg for events

Land O' Lakes Area Artisans Inc. (LOLA Arts).
See lolaartswi.com for classes and events

Owls of Wisconsin presentation, Land O Lakes Library
June 11, 1pm

Around Town Events-Watersmeet

See Watersmeet.us for updated information

Ottawa National Forest Fee Free Days 2024
June 2, June 19, Sept. 28 and Nov. 11

ISCCW Sponsored Native Plant Sale July 6, 12 to 2pm
Township Hall. To register/pre-order and find out more:
<https://www.upnativeplants.com/event-details-registration/watersmeet-native-plant-sale>

Watersmeet/Land O'Lakes are literally where "Waters Meet"

The Ontonagon River flows north from Watersmeet into Lake Superior; the Wisconsin River flows south from Land O'Lakes into the Mississippi; and the Paint River flows east into Lake Michigan!

Find more Cisco Chain information on the CCROA website www.ciscochainroa.com

Watersmeet Township Transfer Station

8 am to 4 pm Monday, Tuesday & Thursday thru Saturday
See Watersmeet.US for items accepted and Fee Schedule

Land O'Lakes Collection Site & Recycling Center

Summer Hours

Sun 9-2, Tues 8-3, Thurs 12-6, Sat 8-4
See LandOLakesWi.gov for items accepted and fees

Below are the website addresses and phone numbers for Watersmeet Township & the Town of Land O'Lakes .

Town meetings are posted on these sites **You can subscribe to automatic updates to your email on these websites**

Watersmeet Township
www.watersmeet.us
906-358-4501

Town of Land O'Lakes
<http://townoflandolakes.com>

CCROA Membership by Lake as of 5/10/23

Cisco	37
Clearwater	9
Little Africa	0
Big Africa	0
Record	0
Thousand Island	94
Lindsley	23
Fishhawk	13
Morley	3
Big	39
West Bay	24
East Bay	18
Poor	14
Indian	0
Mamie	18
Cloverleaf	1
Off Water	1
Spring Lake	1
Total	295

Board Members & Lake Representatives' Contact Info

President:

Eugene Clark
906-287-1871
emclark1223@gmail.com

Vice President:

Spencer Cable
815-980-1037
spencercable@ciscolakesideresort.com

Secretary:

Francie Stoner
816-226-3322
westonfrancie@gmail.com

Treasurer:

David Fauntleroy
630-533-7010
david@molinebearing.com

Membership:

Laura Mans
715-293-6828
Mans.laura@icloud.com

Parliamentarian:

Greg Wenzel
414-581-5444
gswenzel@yahoo.com

Member-at-Large:

Tim Lathrop
773-842-3938
Lathroptim@gmail.com

Big Lake North:

Tom Krautkramer
906-358-0469
tnkkrut3649@gmail.com

Big Lake South:

Dan Farlik
815-494-0731
dfarlik@yahoo.com

Cisco Lake:

Jim Boehm
612-910-0423
btie48@gmail.com

Clearwater Lake:

Kevin Magee
608-772-2946
kevingm@sbcglobal.net

East Bay Lake:

Scott Saveraid
563-505-5452
saversc59@gmail.com

Fishhawk Lake:

Randy Pozin
913-302-4065
NRP7248@gmail.com

Lindsley Lake:

Dan Farkas
262-573-6578
farksfam@yahoo.com

Mamie Lake:

Paul Steinbrecher
920-374-0379
pssteinb@gmail.com

Morley Lake:

James Reitmeyer
719-650-8659
Jimjill78@gmail.com

Poor Lake:

Rod Brost
906-358-4481
dlynnbrost@yahoo.com

1000 Island Lake North:

Gary Ebert
906-358-4246
ebert@udel.edu

1000 Island Lake South:

Joan Cavanaugh
269-491-2933
angel5508@aol.com

West Bay Lake:

Steve Kessler
262-903-4284
skessler@centurytel.net

Shore Lines Editor:

Debra Kessler
262 903 4700
Dkessler718@gmail.com

Webmaster:

Gary Ebert
906-358-4246
ebert@udel.edu

Membership in CCROA

Cisco Chain Riparian Owners Association Membership Application

NEW _____ RENEWAL _____ DONATION _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Spouse _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone # _____ e-mail Address _____

Cell Phone _____ Additional e-mail Address _____

Name of Lake _____ Lake Address _____

Membership Dues:

\$25.00 Per Year

\$450 Lifetime

Advanced payments are welcome. Membership year starts January 1st and ends December 31st.
Please indicate how many years you wish to pay below.

Number of years _____ or Lifetime ☐

Amount Enclosed: _____

Donations:

Lake Management _____

Invasive Species _____

Walleye Stocking Fund: _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: CISCO CHAIN RIPARIAN OWNERS ASSOCIATION

MAIL TO: P.O. BOX 687 WATERSMEET, MI 49969

Be a Volunteer!! Join us and make a difference!!!

Officer or Lake Representative _____ Picnic Volunteer _____ Seasonal Committee _____ Educate at Boat Ramps _____

The Cisco Chain Riparian Owners Association (CCROA) provides many benefits to the property owners on the Cisco Chain. If you are not already a member, please consider joining the Association so you receive important information about CCROA activities in a timely manner and to assure you have a voice in future priorities. Also consider becoming a volunteer to the CCROA to help ensure the CCROA can continue to meet its mission of "Promoting Safe Fun on Clean Lakes"