
Upper Turtle Lake District Spring 2021 Newsletter

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Notes from the UTLD Chair

Greetings Upper Turtle Lake Residents,

Ahhhhh, the ice is out and has been since the end of March! Happy spring everyone! A new beginning... A fresh start to the lake season. Things are opening and feeling like it is somewhat back to the "Way We Were"... with some new ideas and practices in place.

I hope that you join the Lake District Commissioners and myself in some events planned this year. First off, our second tree giveaway is Saturday, May 8, from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the boat landing. Afterwards, join us for a social hour from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Spare Time Bowl Bar and Grill. Appetizers will be provided.

Next, I hope you will take some time at the boat landing in our effort to help reduce the number of invasive species. We need 100 volunteer hours at the landing to complete our Clean Boats Clean Waters initiative. Please sign up with Kim Swenson. Thank you, Kim, for the time you spend on CBCW and the many hours you put in at the landing.

Our Poker Run was wildly popular last year (coordinated by Lisa Nelson) and will be held on July 3rd this year. Our 4th annual meeting is scheduled for August 28th. Sharon Dunemann will not be seeking another term on the Upper Turtle Lake District (UTLD) Board. Sharon has been VERY involved on our lake for several years. Thank you Sharon for your valuable time, talents, and energy you have brought over the years. YOU will be missed. Please let us know if you are interested in a position on the board. We need YOU!! Our lake needs you. Enjoy the great outdoors. Take care of yourself, and take care of others. See you on the lake!

Sherry Warrick, UTLD Chair

2021 Events at a Glance:

Tree Giveaway: Saturday, May 8th, 9-11 a.m., Boat Landing.

Social Hour: Saturday, May 8th, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Spare Time Bowl, Turtle Lake.

Lake District Commissioner Meeting: Friday, May 28th, 9:30 a.m., Almena Village Hall, 131 Soo Ave E., Almena.

Poker Run: July 3rd, more information to follow.

Independence Day Parade: July 4th, 1:00 p.m. Meet near the island.

Fourth Annual Lake District Annual Meeting: Saturday, August 28th, 10:00 a.m. Ritschie Pavilion, Turtle Lake.

Tree Giveaway

The Lake District has again purchased trees to give away to landowners within the Lake District. The trees will be distributed Saturday, May 8th, beginning at 9:00 a.m., and going until the trees run out, or 11:00 a.m., whichever comes first. Four year old bare root trees, 25 each of White Pine, Red Maple, Norway Spruce, Service Berry, White Spruce, and Burr Oak were purchased. If you can use some trees, stop down and pick them up. Like last year, we expect the trees will go quickly.

CBCW

The Upper Turtle Lake District will be sponsoring a Clean Boats, Clean Waters (CBCW) project again this year at the public boat landing on Upper Turtle Lake. As a review, CBCW includes teams of volunteers, as well as paid staff, who perform boat and trailer checks, disseminate informational brochures and educate boaters on the prevention steps to stop the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). These steps include:

Inspect your boat, trailer and equipment

Remove all attached plants or animals

Drain all water from boats, motors, live wells and other equipment

Never move live fish away from a waterbody

Dispose unwanted bait in the trash

Buy minnows from a Wisconsin bait dealer and use leftover minnows only if used on the same body of water or if no lake water or other fish were added to the container.

Following these steps also helps boaters comply with Wisconsin state law which prohibits the transport of aquatic invasive species.

Please email Kim Swenson (kim.swenson2015@gmail.com) if you are interested in attending a WebEx CBCW training session. The first training session is scheduled for Thursday, April 29th, 5:00 p.m. The second session is scheduled for Monday, May 10th, 5:00 p.m. Contact Kim for the details. Please consider donating your time this summer! We will be offering Dairy Queen gift certificates again this year for every 10 hours you volunteer. Contact Kim for more information.

2021 Notice of Aquatic Plant Management on Upper Turtle Lake

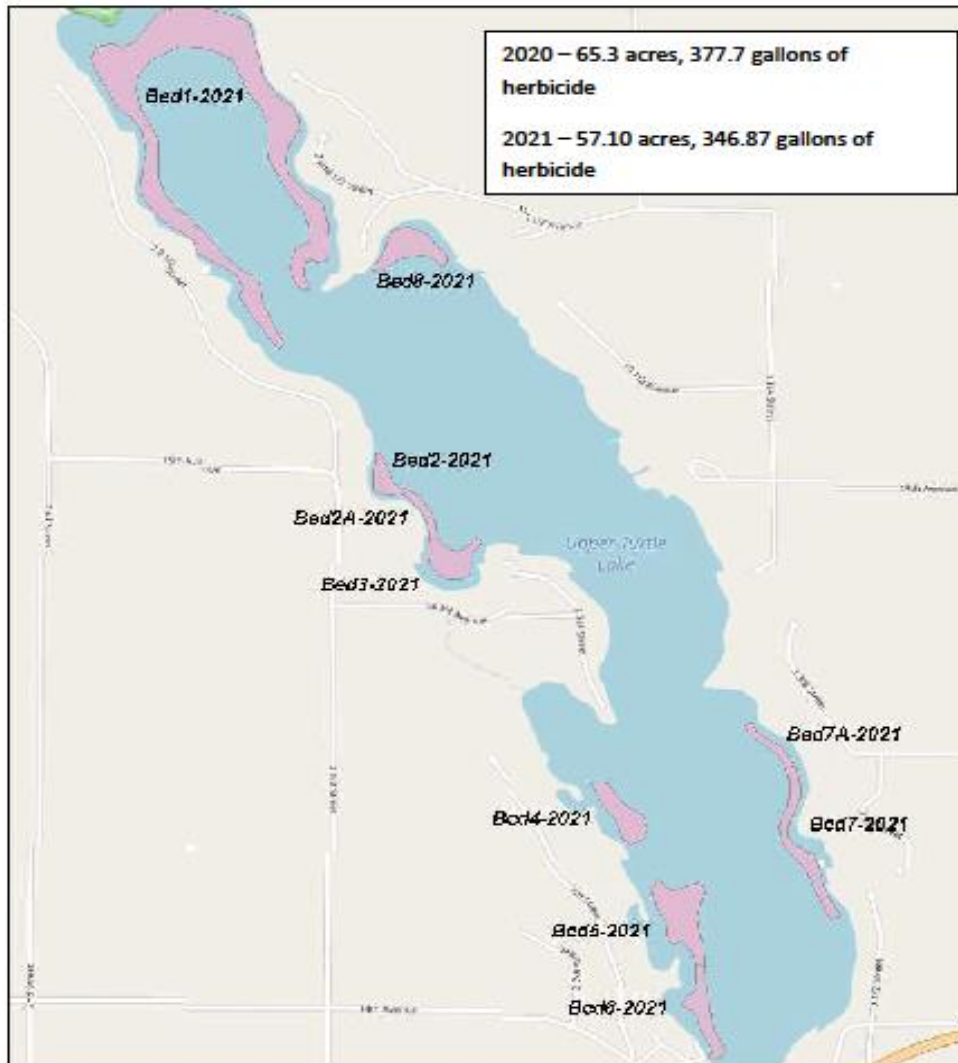
Based upon the pre and post-treatment surveys, the Lake District and its Lake Consultants have developed a proposed 2021 CLP treatment plan. The map on the next page indicates where treatment is anticipated to take place. Please note that the treatment areas may differ slightly based upon the upcoming pre-treatment survey. This serves as notice, as specified per Chapter NR 107, WI Administrative Code; that it intends to treat approximately 57.1 acres in Upper Turtle Lake with aquatic pesticides to control nuisance exotic aquatic vegetation curly leaf pondweed (CLP). The aquatic pesticide to be used is Aquathol K with the active ingredient endothall. Northern Aquatic Services out of Dresser, WI will complete the proposed treatment during the spring of 2021, sometime between ice out and late May, depending on weather conditions.

Additional information including maps and a copy of the permit application can be found at the lake district's website <https://www.upperturtlelake.com/> Lake Education and Planning Services, the consultant working with the lake district will conduct a public informational meeting on the proposed treatment if five or more individuals, organizations, special units of government, or local units of government request one. Any request for a public meeting on this treatment must be made within five days after this notice is published. The request must specify the topics to be discussed at the

meeting, including problems and alternatives, and must be sent to: Lake Education and Planning Services, PO Box 26, Cameron, WI 54822 **and** to the WDNR at 810 W. Maple Street, Spooner WI 54801.

2021 Upper Turtle Lake Proposed Large-Scale CLP Chemical Treatment (03-29-2021)						
Treatment Characteristics				Curly-leaf Pondweed Control		
Treatment Site	Acreage	Mean Depth (feet)	Volume (acre-feet)	Treatment application		
				Treatment a.i. ppm	gallons ¹	Yearly Cost
Bed1-2021	33.87	7.50	254.03	1.25	203.2	\$18,696.24
Bed2-2021	2.25	9.20	20.70	1.50	20.7	\$1,904.40
Bed2A-2021						
Bed3-2021	2.82	7.40	20.87	1.50	20.9	\$1,919.86
Bed4-2021	2.75	6.10	16.78	1.50	16.8	\$1,543.30
Bed5-2021	7.78	7.40	57.57	1.25	46.1	\$4,237.30
Bed5-2021						
Bed7-2021	4.37	5.40	23.60	1.50	23.6	\$2,171.02
Bed7A-2021						
Bed8-2021	3.26	6.00	19.56	1.25	15.6	\$1,439.62
TOTAL	57.10		413.10		346.87	\$31,911.73

¹ Aquathol K® liquid aquatic herbicide (a.i. endothal)



Social Hour

Please join us Saturday, May 8th, 11:00a.m. – 1:00 p.m. for an Upper Turtle Lake District Social Hour, at the Spare Time Bowl in Turtle Lake. Appetizers will be provided. Come and meet your lake neighbors, and spend a little time building up our lake community. To make sure there is enough appetizers for all, please RSVP to Lisa Nelson at Lisa.a.nelson@comcast.net.

Independence Day Boat Parade

How long has this wildly popular event been in existence? Does anyone have this documented?

Parade participants should meet near the island at 1:00 p.m. and follow the Lake District lead boat around the lake. The lead boat will have the Lake District banner prominently displayed. Trophies for “Most Original” and “Most Patriotic” watercraft will be awarded during the parade. Please be mindful of boats that don’t want to be bombarded with water balloons! Be careful, good luck to all parade participants, and have fun! Inclement weather date is July 5th, 1:00 p.m. Notification of the parade having to be rescheduled will be posted on the Lake District’s Facebook site by 12:00 p.m. on July 4th.

Second Annual Poker Run

Join us again for the second annual Poker Run, scheduled for Saturday, July 3rd. Last year was a blast, and we hope to get the same turnout and support from dock hosts. If you’d like to host a dock, please reach out to Lisa Nelson at 651-245-5607, or at Lisa.a.nelson@comcast.net. More details to follow!

Secchi Disk Readings

A chart of the annual secchi disk readings has been posted on the Upper Turtle Lake District, located at www.upperturtlelake.com. Please take a look at the site! Secchi disks are the universal tool used to measure water clarity. Readings measure the depth at which the secchi disk ceases to be visible from the surface. The higher the number, the greater the water clarity.

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