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MEMO

TO: Nine Mile Creek Board of Managers
FROM: Erica Sniegowski
DATE: September 8, 2021
RE: Program & Project Manager's Report for the September 2021 Board Meeting

Project Updates

Fisheries Management

The box nets were removed from Normandale Lake on September 1. WSB is currently testing an innovative carp removal method on the lake. I will update the board on final removal numbers next month.

The video the City of Bloomington produced about the carp harvesting is available at: <https://youtu.be/uPlqw3vusa4>. The video is also available on the Normandale Lake project page (www.ninemilecreek.org/normandale).

The City of Edina filmed a segment on goldfish removal at Lake Cornelia on September 2. We will share the video when it is available.



City of Edina filming goldfish removal

Nonprofit BMP Project

MetroBlooms Design + Build continues to conduct maintenance visits on the nonprofit raingardens.

Discovery Point Restoration and Maintenance

MNL continues to perform maintenance activities at Discovery Point.

UAA Studies

Arrowhead/Indianhead

The Arrowhead/Indianhead Lake User survey closed on August 16. This public engagement survey will inform the UAA update process for these lakes. The raw survey data has been summarized and distributed to Barr and Edina. Lizzy is working on writing a survey summary report for public distribution. We will post this summary on the study project page (<https://www.ninemilecreek.org/arrowhead-and-indianhead-lake-study>) by the beginning of October.

Holiday/Wing/Rose

A paper survey was mailed to property owners on all three lakes on September 2nd. The lake user survey will inform the UAA update process for these lakes. The survey is also available online (<https://ninemilecreek.typeform.com/MtkaLakes>) and will remain open through October 1.

A postcard for the community kickoff meeting for the UAA, which also included information on the lake user survey, was mailed on September 9th. This was mailed to addresses in the subwatershed of these lakes.

Holiday/Wing/Rose UAA Community Kickoff Meeting

Wednesday, September 29, 2021

6:30-8:30 PM

Minnetonka Community Center (14600 Minnetonka Blvd)

Learn more and RSVP: www.ninemilecreek.org/holiday-wing-rose-lakes-study

Additionally, Minnetonka has created a StoryMap about shallow lakes to support this project.

View the StoryMap on our project page or at:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/74308b9721ff4f678fc98304209317ae>



Shallow Lakes StoryMap

Program Updates

Cost Share Grant Program

- Processed cost share grant reimbursement requests
- Wrote grant agreements and sent agreements out for signatures
- Provided habitat restoration grant recipients with grant guidance materials
- Communicated with people interested in grants

Meetings

- August 5 Attended carp pull at Normandale Lake
- Aug 6-17 PTO
- Aug 18 Holiday/Wing/Rose public engagement meeting with City of Minnetonka
- Aug 19 Holiday/Wing/Rose StoryMap review meeting with City of Minnetonka
- Aug 20 Lakes field visit with Barr
- Aug 22 Normandale Lake photo observations
- Aug 25 City of Bloomington Bush Lake cattail management meeting
- Aug 29 Normandale Lake photo observations
- Aug 30-Sep 1 Corn baiting at Normandale Lake
- Sept 2 Goldfish pull and City of Edina videoing at Lake Cornelia

Other Meetings

- All-staff meetings to check in and track progress
- E/O check in meetings