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THE ASSOCIATION - MINK - SOMERS
December 18, 1970

Corinna Township Board
C/O Township Clerk
Annandale, Minnesota 55302

Gentlemen:

As Chairman of the Association of Mink & Somers Lakes, I was asked by our members to inquire as to the status of the dump located on Mink Lake.

On August 7, 1969 you received a letter from Mr. Floyd J. Forsberg, Director of the Division of Solid Waste, for the State of Minnesota.

The letter included a statement to the effect that the dump located in Section 13, Township 121 north, Range 27 West, Wright County, (mainly the dump locate in Mink Lake of Corinna Township) was a potential pollution hazard to the waters of the state.

The letter further stated that you reply to the Pollution Control Agency within 60 days what remedies were being taken to alleviate the situation. May we have copies of the letters that were sent to the Agency in response to their inquiry? Since 16 months have now gone by surely some positive action has been taken.

The residents of the two lakes are greatly involved and concerned as to the future of the pollution problem in the two lakes, Mink and Somers.

I have a copy of the "Statewide Standards and Criteria for Shoreland Management" prepared by Robert W. Snyder, Extension Land Economist. In this memorandum the first paragraph reads in the following manner:

"Statewide standards and criteria for shoreland management in Minnesota were officially adopted on 30 June 1970. County ordinances employing these standards and criteria must be adopted by 1 July 1972 (Minnesota Statutes 1969, Chapter 105). Use of land within 1000 feet of public lakes and 300 feet of public streams and land within delineated flood plains will be affected".

In various portions of the information memorandum it covers the sewage disposal and in parts speaks of facts that a "Septic tank and soil absorption systems shall be set back from the normal high water mark in accordance with class of public waters, the minimum distance being 50 feet." This is to prevent seepage of sewer wastes into the lakes.