

MSLID P.O. Box 81 Maple Lake, MN 55358

MSLID MISSION:

Identify the factors that may be causing the degradation of our lakes

Protect the lakes from the detrimental effects of human activities and certain natural processes

Improve water clarity to enhance the use and enjoyment of the lakes

Preserve the natural characteristics of the lakes and their shore land environment where feasible and practical.

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Mink Somers Lake Improvement District

2017 Weed Spraying Rebates Available

We want to encourage you to spray your shoreline in the 2017 season to eliminate invasive weeds such as Curly Leaf Pondweed and Eurasian Water Milfoil. Sign a contract with any licensed contractor

who manages aquatic vegetation, have them spray your shoreline, and then send a copy of your paid invoice to: **MSLID PO Box 81
Maple Lake, MN 55358**

One rebate per property per year. You will receive a check for \$100 made out to you. Working together we can improve our lakes, See Back of this page for additional information.

Limestone Filter Project Update

Staff at the Wright County Soil and Water Conservation District have been actively working with the Army Corps of Engineers since early last fall. Due to the scale of the project and presence of wetlands, the feedback received from the Army Corps of Engineers was that it would take roughly 120 days before final approval could be received. That was optimistic. WCSWCD worked with the Corps Project Manager along with their

engineer to figure out if there was a way to expedite the project last fall but ran into a couple other issues that involved moving the filter slightly and determining if any native artifacts were within the construction site. Once the approval from the US Corp of Engineers is received, the project can move the next steps which include sending out the bid documents to local contractors.

Limestone sources are also being evaluated. We will soon be in the 2017 construction season, and hope to begin as soon as conditions are favorable. Use the minksomers.org website to view the detailed project document submitted for approval in Sept 2016.

**Please visit the Mink Somers web site:
minksomers.org**

We are striving to provide a web site that will keep you updated with news you can use, a history of the lakes, contacts you may be looking for, a calendar of events, meeting minutes and the projects we have done in the past. This is a shared site with The Association of Mink/Somers (TAMS).

The MSLID Board of Directors meet the 3rd Saturday of each month at the V in Maple Lake starting at 8:30 AM. You are welcome to join us. Changes to the schedule will be posted on the Web.

Mark your calendars: Meetings of the MSLID Property Owners will be on **May 6th** at the Corinna Twsp Hall at 9AM for the Spring Meeting and on **August 6th** at the Corinna Twsp Hall at 9AM for the Annual MSLID Meeting. Stan Tekiela will be providing a presentation at the Annual Meeting that will be entertaining, educational and help you enjoy your time at the lake even more.

Other Options for Individual Shoreline Weed Control are:

- You can **Rake** them yourself
- You can **install** a weed roller
- You can **get a permit** from the DNR and apply chemicals yourself
- There are many different rakes and cutters to **remove** weeds yourself

***** If removing weeds yourself make sure you are following ALL DNR Regulations**

To be eligible for the \$100 rebate from the MSLID you need to use a Commercial Aquatic Applicator!!

The MSLID uses **Clarke Aquatic Services** for channel and milfoil spraying. You can use any Commercial Aquatic Pesticide Applicator to qualify for the MSLID Rebate.

Applications for Weed spraying **need to be acquired and completed ASAP** to insure they are approved by the DNR in a timely manner. Please contact the Applicator of choice in early March.

Below is the most current DNR List of Commercial Aquatic Applicators:



2015 COMMERCIAL AQUATIC PESTICIDE APPLICATORS

Applied Ecological Services, Inc.
c/o Aaron Kubichka
21938 Mushtown Rd
Prior Lake, MN 55372
(952) 447-1919

Central Minnesota Aquatics, Inc.
c/o Michelle Duy
26735 Middle Cullen Rd
Nisswa, MN 56468
(218) 963-7345

Clarke Aquatic Services
20061 Edison Circle East
Clearwater, MN 55320
(952) 715-2159 (cell)
(320) 558-9005 (office)
raison@clarke.com

Jacobson Environmental, PLLC
c/o Wayne Jacobson
5821 Humboldt Avenue, North
Brooklyn Center, MN 55430
(612) 802-6619
www.jacobsonenvironmental.com

Lakescapes, LLC
c/o Cory Culbert
721 River Street
Waterville, MN 56096
(507) 271-3727

Lake Improvement Consulting, Inc.
c/o Paul Keari
13787 40th Street N.
Stillwater, MN 55082
(952) 944-2565
paul@lakeimprovementconsulting.com

Lake Management, Inc.
c/o Mike O'Connell
10400 185th St. N.
Marine on St. Croix, MN 55047
(651) 433-3283

Lake Restoration, Inc.
c/o Chad Hadler
12425 Ironwood Circle
Rogers, MN 55374
(763) 428-9777
chad@lakerestoration.com

Midwest AquaCare, Inc.
c/o Tom Gertz
10001 Great Plains Blvd.
Chaska, MN 55318
(952) 403-6879

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Brainerd, MN 56401
(866) 687-5253