

LAC COURTE OREILLES LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN

http://cola-wi.org/docs/Lac Courte Oreilles Lake Management Plan.pdf

Invasive Species Management

- Carry out herbicide treatments to control curly leaf pondweed. *
- Maintain the Clean Boat Program. *
- Track forest invasive species.
- Initiate an annual shoreline survey for new infestations. *

Lake and Stream Monitoring

- Monitor lake inlets and outlet to define flow patterns. *
- Work with other Associations to monitor water clarity on Durphee, Osprey, Grindstone, Sand and Whitefish lakes.
- Ensure 10-12 paired water quality samples are taken May to October. *

Shore land Development and Buffer Areas

- Actively review on all zoning variance requests that affect LCO.
- Work to educate shore land owners on the importance of buffers on shore land properties. *
- Develop periodic surveys of all LCO on-site treatment systems. *

Cranberry Discharges

- Work with cranberry growers to eliminate discharges. *
- Investigate dredging and alum/iron treatment of Musky Bay. *
- Work to re-establish muskellunge spawning habitat in Musky Bay.

Changing Watershed Land Use

- Evaluate formation of a Lake Management District. *
- Acquire lands/conservation easements where appropriate and feasible. *
- Maintain wetlands and creek buffers along Osprey Creek.
- Ensure that forestry Best Management Practices are implemented in the watershed.
- Advance Best Management Practices for row crop and animal operations within the watershed. *
- Work to ensure runoff is minimized from new development.

^{*} Work on tasks scheduled or in progress.