

Gilmore Lake Association

2025 Annual Meeting

June 28, 2025

The purpose of this Association is to support the protection and improvement of Gilmore Lake's waters, shoreline, watershed, fishery, flora and fauna for the benefit of its property owners, local residents and the general public. (GLA Bylaws, revised 2022)

AGENDA

- Introduction/ Announcements – *Fran McCloskey*
- Acceptance of 2024 Minutes – *Joan Mellor*
- Treasurer's Report – *Dick Johnson*
- Update to Bylaws – *Fran McCloskey*
- Reports:
 - Water Conditions – *Daryl Iverson*
 - Milfoil Situation – *Larry Stokes/Fran McCloskey*
 - Fundraising – *Joan Mellor*
 - Membership Outreach – *Kristi O'Kane*
- Election – Four GLA Director positions
- Guest Speaker – *Emily Moore, Moore Lake & Garden*
- Open Discussion – *All*

MINUTES OF 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

submitted by Joan Mellor

- The meeting was called to order on July 6, 2024 by President Fran McCloskey at 10:00 AM.
- There were 74 people in attendance.
- Minutes of the July 1, 2023 Annual Meeting were approved.
- Treasurer's Report showing the current balance in our accounts is \$31,311. The Report was approved.
- Lake Levels: There has been good conduct overall during no wake periods, through June. Clint Schneider manages the stream gauge which is automated. Check the website for updates on lake levels. Daryl Iverson continues to monitor the stream guage at the Culvert.
- Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM) Committee: Larry Stokes reported that we do extensive monitoring every year. We can't treat it in the north basin due to the presence of Wild Rice further north on the lake. We have 10 acres of EWM in north basin and 20 micro colonies in lower lake, 10ft-30ft wide. Everyone needs to manage it in front of their properties as best they can. Get the whole root, with plant and floaters. Dispose of it, dry it out, keep it away from the water. Fran McCloskey reported that a request for an herbicide permit was denied because of Wild Rice presence. Removal of EWM with DASH and Divers costs \$2800 a day. We will be applying for a grant in the Fall to help these continued efforts. We have an educational program that is grant funded scheduled for Aug 3, 2024 put on by the Burnett County Lake Biologist to show us how to pull up EWM in our lakeshores. We will stay proactive, with partnership on lobbying and a research study potentially, with other lakes in similar circumstances with EWM and Wild Rice.

MINUTES OF 2024 ANNUAL MEETING

CONTINUED

- Fundraising: Joan Mellor reported on the GLA fundraising plan. She reminded everyone about the need to make donations to the EWM fund so we can continue the fight with education, lobbying, and for now DASH/Divers. Ideas discussed for further fundraising included increasing the GLA dues to \$175-\$200 a family, or create a lake district (although better to do fundraising as a non-profit if possible.) We have 180 households around the lake but only 81 members.
- Board Elections: Fran nominated Kristi O'Kane and Joan Mellor, both for 3 year terms. Both were elected to the GLA Board by those present.
- Volunteers: Barbara Nelson offered to help with finding researchers to help with our EWM situation. A sign-up is provided on the check in table if you are willing to volunteer.
- Open Discussion: There is interest in a Lake Directory, Fran will look into getting this started. Inclusion in the directory will be voluntary.
- Fran explained that the newsletter would now be distributed electronically only. She will provide via email and link on FaceBook.
- The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Dick Johnson

Gilmore Lake Association Financial Summary as of 6/27/2025

	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025
Beginning Cash Balance	\$ 22,308	\$ 26,104	\$ 15,639	\$ 53,443
Plus Total Revenues	10,433	9,958	44,458	3,068
Less Expenses				
EWM Expenses	3,895	18,421	3,971	1,706
Membership Services	1,607	787	1,211	-
Support	1,035	1,035	1,035	1,000
Administrative Expenses	100	179	437	134
Total Expenses	6,637	20,423	6,653	2,840
Revenue less Expenses	3,796	(10,465)	37,804	228
Ending Cash Balance	\$ 26,104	\$ 15,639	\$ 53,443	\$ 53,671

Form 990-n was filed with IRS each year

94 paid memberships in 2020
90 paid memberships in 2021
80 paid memberships in 2022
81 paid memberships in 2023
83 paid memberships in 2024

TREASURER'S REPORT

By Dick Johnson

Detailed Income Statement as of 6/27/2025

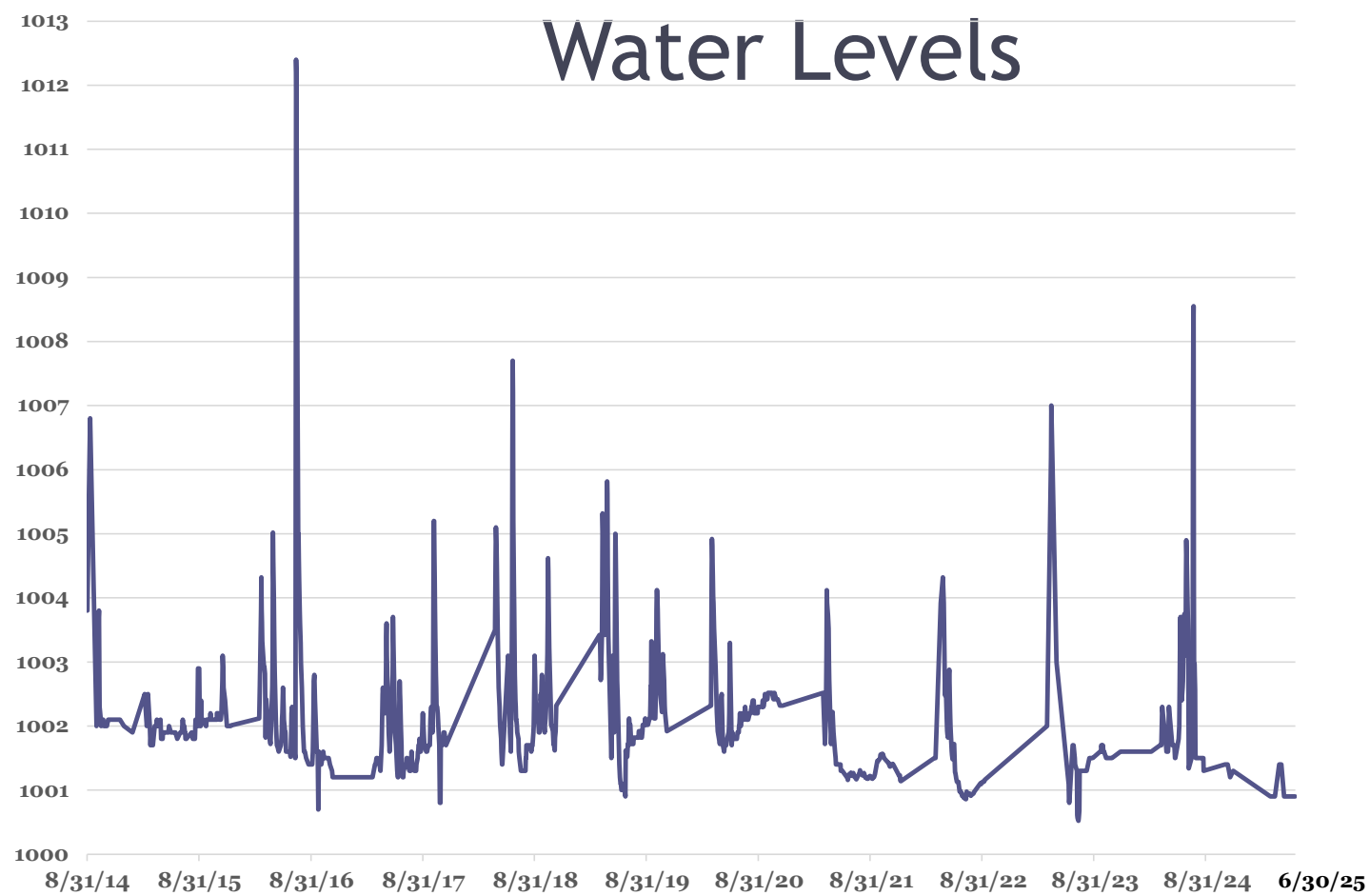
	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025
Revenues:				
Membership Dues	\$ 2,275	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,075	\$ 375
DNR Grant Reimbursement	3,600	-	20,795	-
Newsletter Advertising	550	850	650	550
Amazon Smile	98	63	-	-
Contributions-Operating Fund	3,450	4,645	9,088	1,543
Contributions-EWM Fund	100	2,050	11,800	-
Contributions-Memorial	360	100	50	600
Total Revenues	10,433	9,958	44,458	3,068
Expenses:				
Lake Planning Consultant	-	5,540	550	-
EWM Survey	3,600	425	1,263	-
DNR Aquatic Plant Control Permit	-	226	-	-
EWM Treatment	-	1,000	-	-
DASH Permit and Treatment	-	10,929	60	-
Buoys	-	-	508	-
EWM Education	-	-	1,280	1,706
Endangered Resources	-	-	-	-
Boat Registration and Insurance	295	301	310	-
Total EWM Expenses	3,895	18,421	3,971	1,706

Detailed Income Statement as of 6/27/2025

	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025
Newsletter	684	148	673	-
Picnic Room Rental	200	-	-	-
Picnic Supplies	683	639	370	-
Parade Prizes	40	-	-	-
Lake Level Monitoring	-	-	168	-
Walleye Stocking	-	-	-	-
Total Membership Services	1,607	787	1,211	-
Donation-Minong Town Lakes	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Donation-Lakes and Rivers Assoc.	35	35	35	-
Total Support	1,035	1,035	1,035	1,000
Annual Filing Fee	10	25	22	25
PO Box Rental	90	98	100	-
Office Supplies	-	-	-	-
Bank Fees	-	-	-	-
IT Fees	-	56	178	-
Pay Pal Fees	-	-	137	109
Total Administrative Expenses	100	179	437	134
Total Expenses	6,637	20,423	6,653	2,840
Revenue less Expenses	\$ 3,796	\$ (10,465)	\$ 37,804	\$ 228

Bylaws Update - vote needed

- Call a Special Meeting of Members
 - Number required – 10 members
 - Notice may be given via the GLA Website or Facebook group
- Number of Board Members - Minimum 7 | Maximum 13
 - New Directors may be appointed by the Board
- Call a Special Meeting of Directors – need 3 directors
- Officers
 - President can serve up to five (5) consecutive one-year terms
 - New Officer Position: President Elect



Gilmore Lake EWM

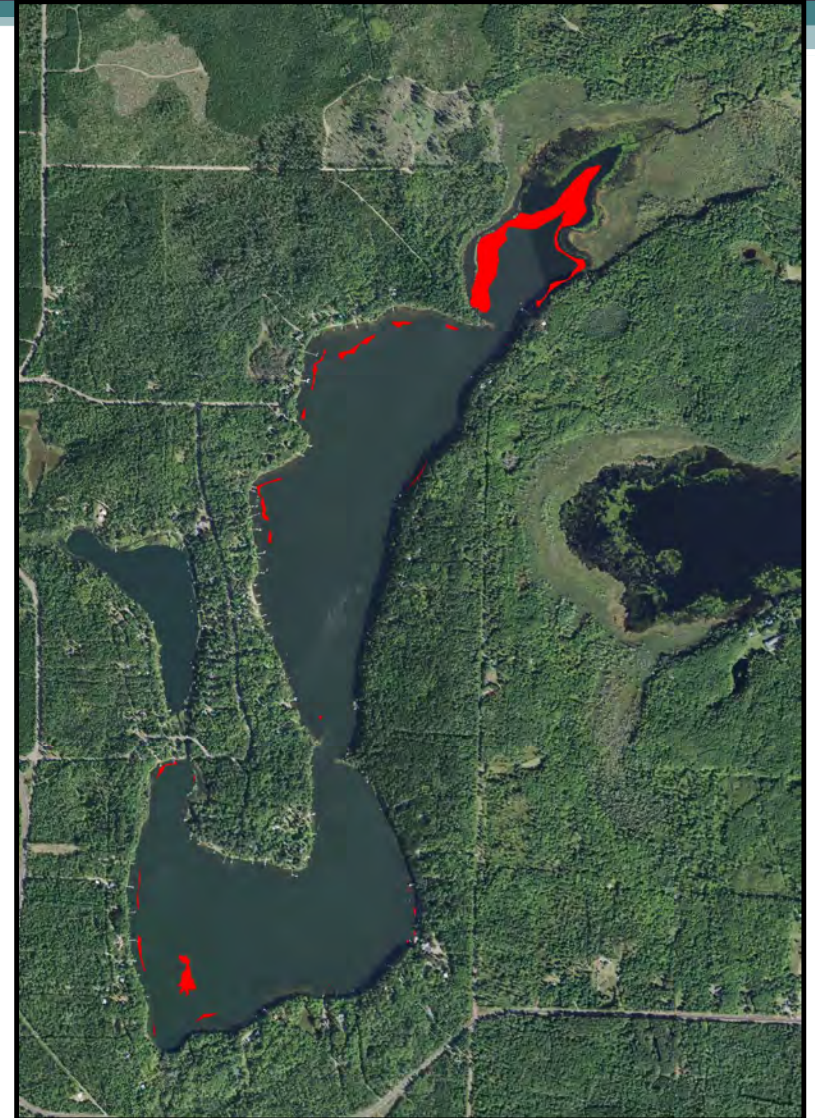
Current Status

- Extensive monitoring of EWM every season
- No commercial herbicide treatment will be permitted
- Deployed buoys in north basin and Little Gilmore
- As of September 2024:
 - EWM beds in the north basin were approximately 11 acres
 - Expansion of micro-colonies of EWM in other areas

Gilmore Lake EWM

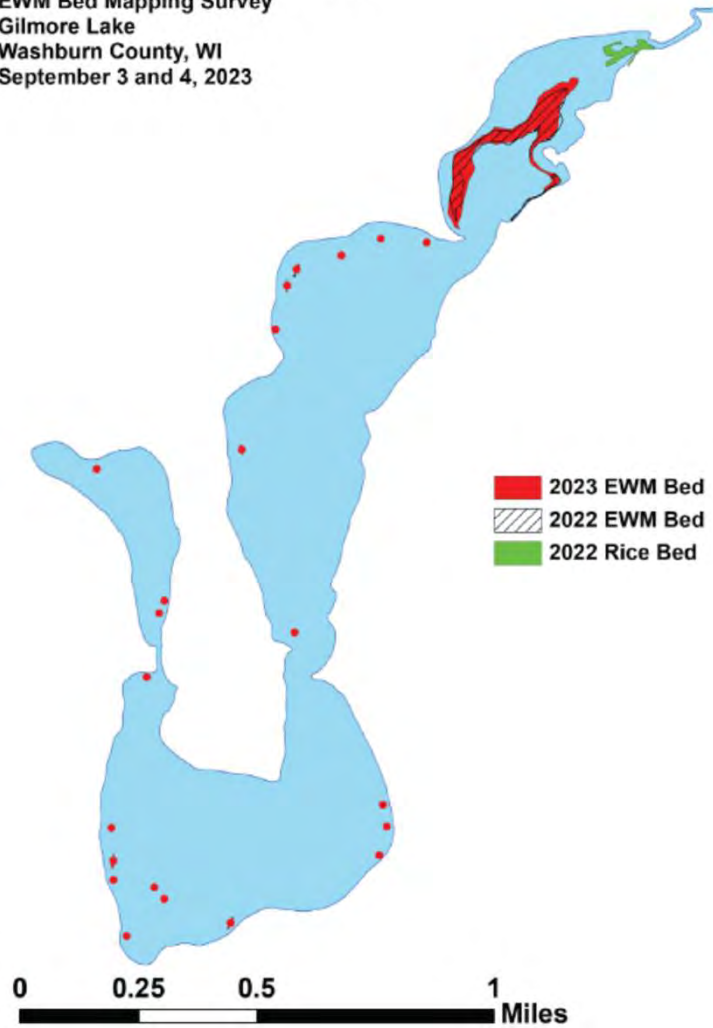


EWM in the North Basin (8/18/24)



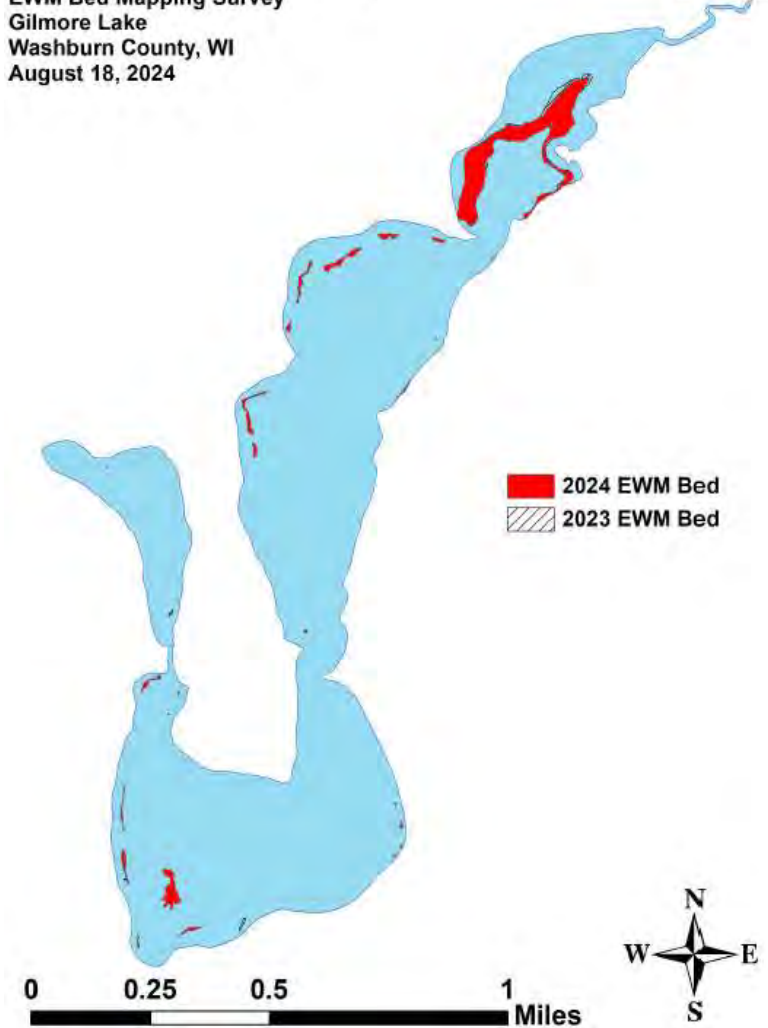
Eurasian water-milfoil
(Myriophyllum spicatum)

EWM Bed Mapping Survey
 Gilmore Lake
 Washburn County, WI
 September 3 and 4, 2023



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(Myriophyllum spicatum)

EWM Bed Mapping Survey
 Gilmore Lake
 Washburn County, WI
 August 18, 2024



Gilmore Lake EWM

Constraints

- NO chemical treatment allowed currently in the north basin
- ProcellaCOR is not permitted at this time
- 2,4-D is not allowed in areas < 5 acres
- DASH/Divers may be an option, but expensive
- WDNR philosophy on “treatment” is shifting

Gilmore Lake EWM

Plans for 2025 and future

- Monitoring & Professional Help
- Control & Education
 - Homeowner hand-pulling at your near-shore area
 - DASH/Divers when appropriate
 - Chemical treatment when allowed
- Lobby to allow use of ProcellaCOR
- Research participation – meetings with UW and UMN
- Fundraise to address the cost of treatments & research

Gilmore Lake EWM

Things You Can Do

- Learn about lake plants
- Hand pulling should be utilized when possible
- Rake up any EWM "floaters" that collect near your shore and dispose of them far away from shore
- PLEASE avoid the North Basin or at least stay inside the buoy arc (in the center and away from the shoreline).
- **VOLUNTEER** to help the Association
- **DONATE** to support GLA's work
- **Be Hopeful!** We are working on it, but it will take time and money...

NEW INVASIVE - Purple Loosestrife



Purple loosestrife in Little Gilmore - 8/18/24

Fundraising Report

- GREAT SUCCESS WITH DONATIONS!
- DNR Grants update

DONATE TODAY



FUNDRAISING Report



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MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNICATIONS

- Membership
 - 86 members in 2024
 - Please renew each year
 - Volunteer sign up
- Communication
 - Newsletters (electronic-only)
 - Facebook
 - Website

ELECTION TO GLA BOARD

- Two directors' terms expiring
 - Fran McCloskey (running again)
 - Larry Stokes (stepping down)
- Expansion to add directors
- Nominations
 - Kevin Smith
 - Barb Robinson
 - Jim Lukanich
 - Others interested?
- Vote

SHORELINE RESTORATION

Emily Moore, MS, Aquatic Science

Moore Lake and Garden LLC

OPEN DISCUSSION

- Any questions or comments on Lake Association business?

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A photograph of a pond with numerous green lily pads floating on the water. In the background, there is a dense line of green trees under a clear blue sky. To the left, a cluster of purple flowers grows along the shoreline. A semi-transparent white box is overlaid in the center of the image, containing text.

Shoreline Restoration

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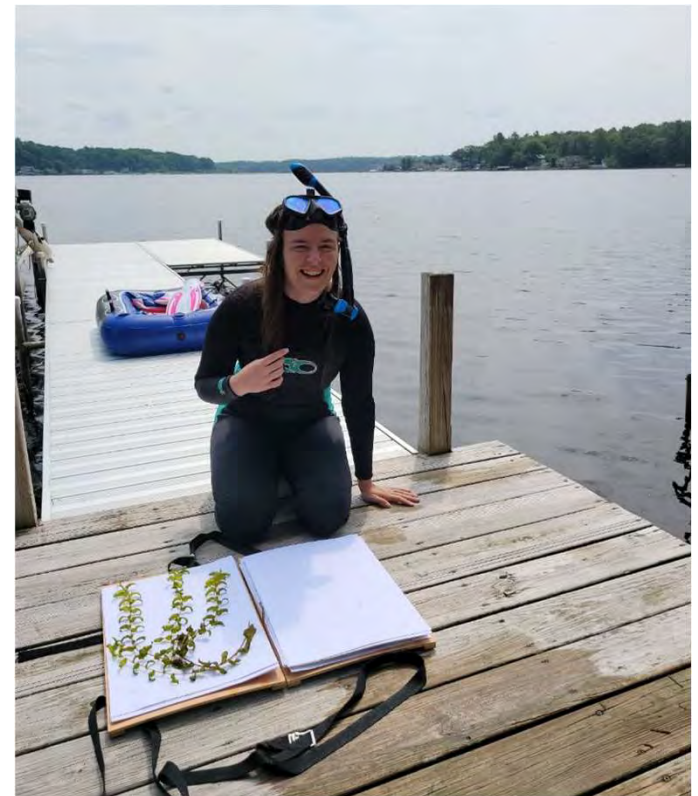
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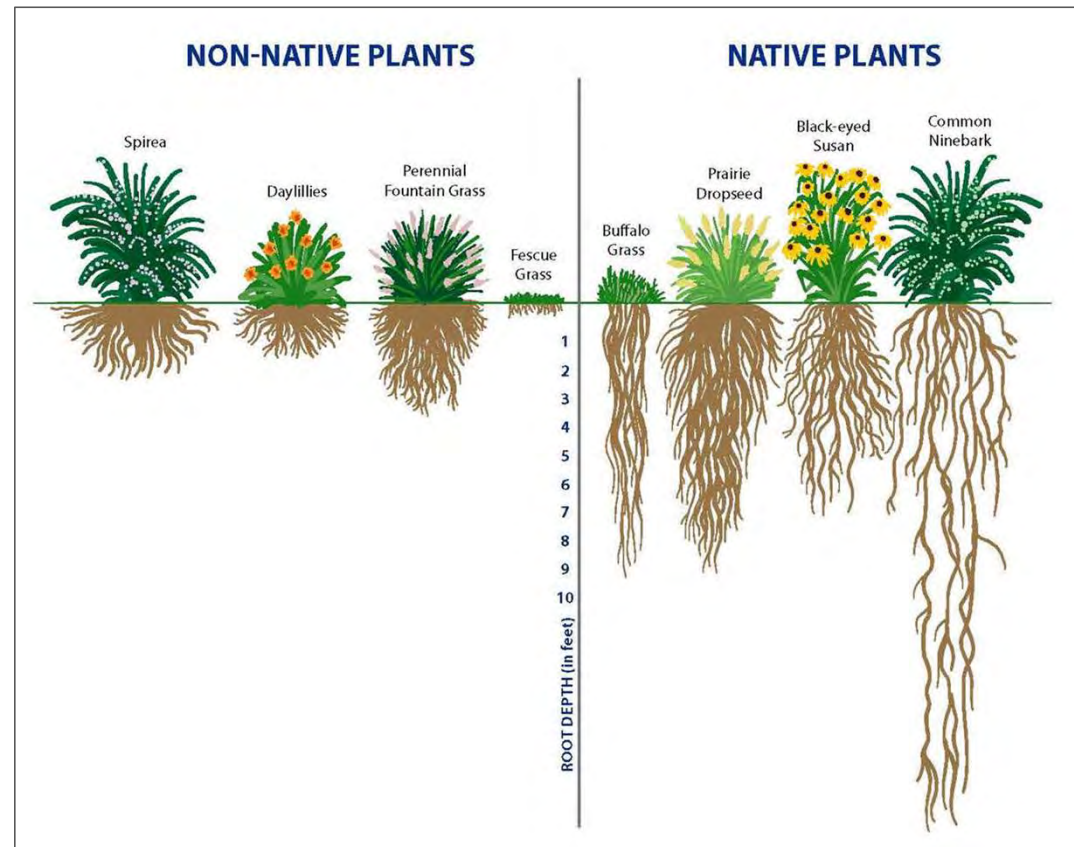
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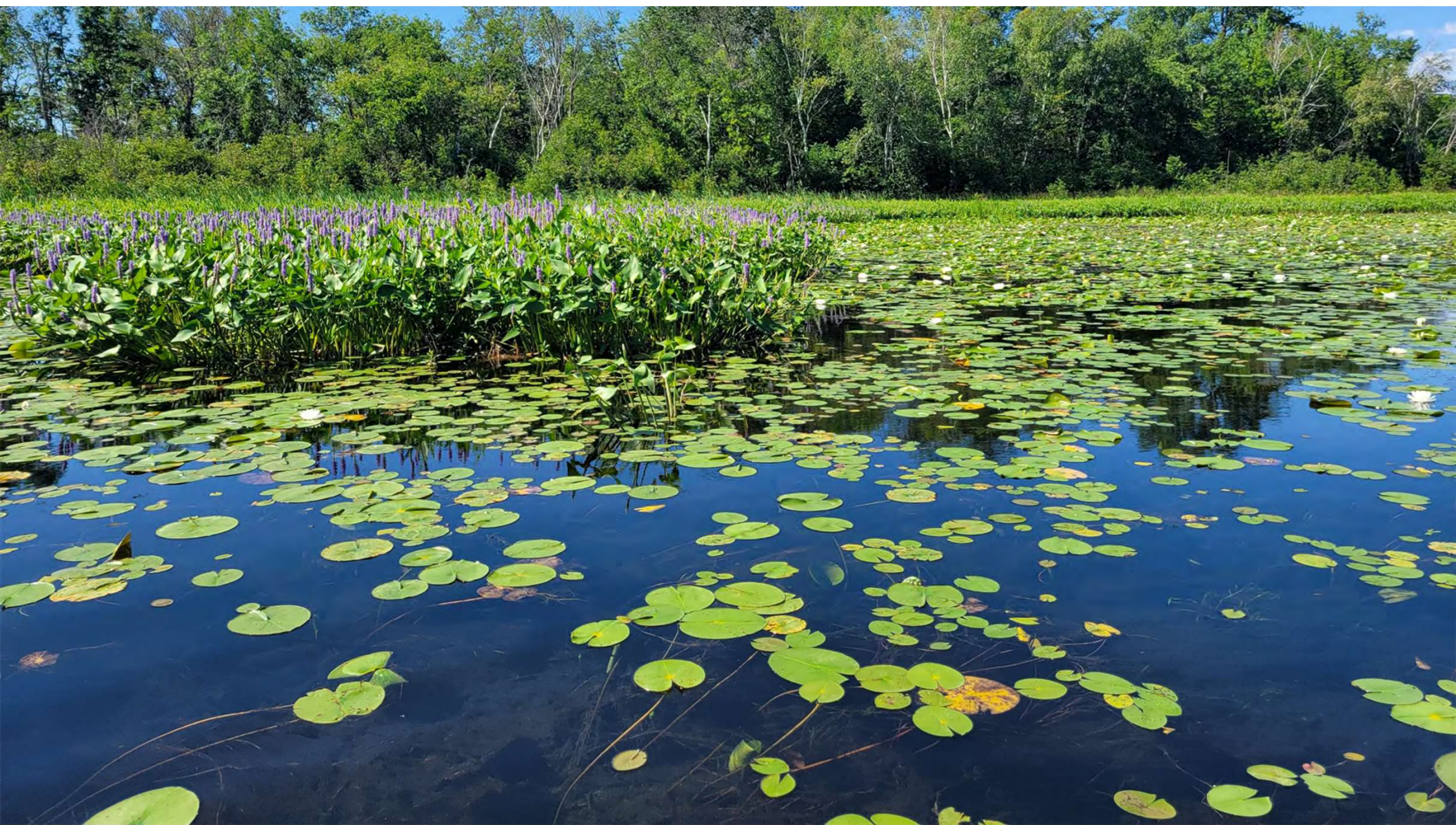
- Invasive species education, monitoring and some control.
- Grant writing and administration.
- Stormwater control design and construction (rain gardens, native plantings, etc).
- Consultations for erosion along lakeshore.



Shoreline Buffers.. Why are they important?

- Soil stability
- Water quality protection
- Lower AIS presence
- Aesthetics and habitat enhancement





No Shoreline Buffers..



Steps for restoration

- Understanding your landscape
- Measuring the area of concern
- Choosing plant plugs/seed mix
- Water Water Water

Pine or Oak Forest				
Dry, acid, sandy soils		Less than 4 hours sun		
Common Name	Scientific Name	Height	Flower Color	Bloom Time
Groundcovers				
Bracken fern	<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	2-3'	NA	NA
Bunchberry	<i>Cornus canadensis</i>	6-8"	White	May -June
False solomon's seal	<i>Smilacina racemosa</i>	18-24"	White	May -June
Pennsylvania sedge	<i>Carex pensylvanica</i>	6-18"	NA	NA
Solomon's seal	<i>Polygonatum biflorum</i>	1-4'	Green	May -June
Woodland strawberry	<i>Fragaria vesca</i>	4-6"	White	May-June
Wintergreen	<i>Gaultheria procumbens</i>	3-6"	White	May -June
Flowers				
Bellwort	<i>Uvularia grandiflora</i>	1'	Yellow	May -June
Big-leaf aster°	<i>Aster macrophyllus</i>	6-12"	Lavender	Aug-Oct
Columbine°	<i>Aquilegia canadensis</i>	8-24"	Pink	May-June
False lily of the valley	<i>Maianthemum canadense</i>	3-6"	White	May-June
Harebell°	<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	4-20"	Blue	June-Sept
Wild geranium°	<i>Geranium maculatum</i>	1-2'	Lavender	May-June
Shrubs				
Bush honeysuckle°	<i>Diervilla lonicera</i>	2-3'	Yellow	June -Sept
Chokecherry	<i>Prunus virginiana</i>	to 20'	White	May -June
Gray dogwood°	<i>Cornus racemosa</i>	to 8'	White	May -July
Hazelnut	<i>Corylus americana</i>	to 8'	NA	NA
Pin cherry	<i>Prunus pensylvanica</i>	to 25'	White	May -June
Serviceberry/Juneberry	<i>Amelanchier laevis</i>	15-25'	White	April-May
Snowberry	<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	2-4'	White	June
Trees				
Bur oak°	<i>Quercus macrocarpa</i>	to 80'	NA	NA
White pine	<i>Pinus strobus</i>	100+'	NA	NA



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Funding or programs available

- 1) Shoreland Evaluation Tool - [Survey](#)
- 2) WDNR Surface Water Grants - Surface Water Restoration and Management Grants - [Surface Water Grants](#)
[|| Wisconsin DNR](#)
 - a) Healthy Lakes and Rivers
 - b) Surface Water Restoration
- 3) Out of pocket



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THE VALUE OF SHORELAND ZONING



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✓ SHORELAND ZONING

A house that is set back at least 75 feet from the water allows space for a buffer of trees and native plants that stabilize the shoreline.



NO SHORELAND ZONING ✗

A house that is close to the water does not leave space for a buffer of trees and native plants that stabilize the shoreline.



When a buffer zone of trees and native plants is mostly kept in place, the shoreline is naturally more stable allowing:

Clear water =
High waterfront
property values

Less erosion =
Less water
pollution

More native plants
and trees = More
fish and frogs

Less algae growth



Larger viewing and access corridors
destabilize more shoreline. Most of
the shoreline would be destabilized
with a 35 foot corridor on a 50 foot
wide lot as shown on the right.

When much of the buffer
zone of trees and native
plants is removed, the
shoreline erodes into the
lake causing:

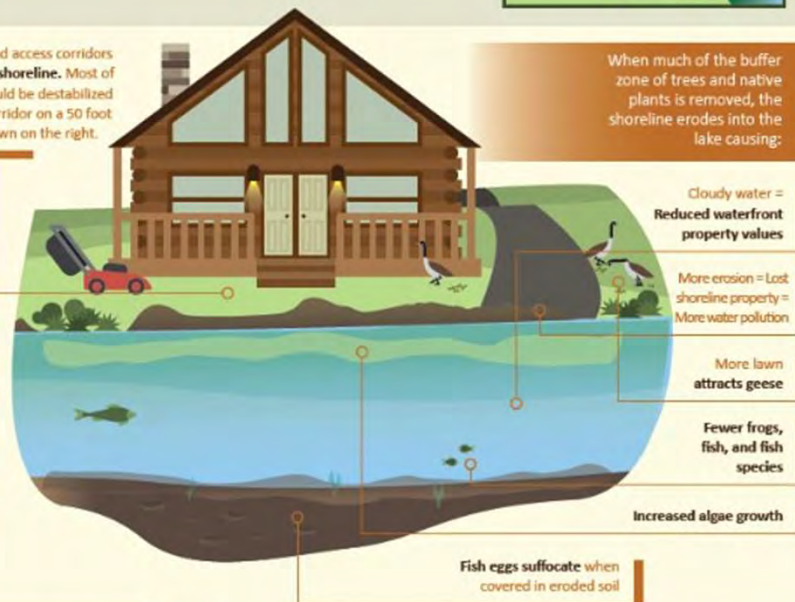
Cloudy water =
Reduced waterfront
property values

More erosion = Lost
shoreline property =
More water pollution

More lawn
attracts geese

Fewer frogs,
fish, and fish
species

Increased algae growth



Fish eggs suffocate when
covered in eroded soil

CONCLUSIONS

Shoreland zoning standards make it possible to carefully develop a waterfront property, protect the lake or river, and keep waterfront property values high.

For more information, check with your local zoning office.

WHAT DO SHORELAND ZONING STANDARDS DO?
www3.uwsp.edu

Fewer eroded/lost
shorelines

Clearer water =
Higher property values

More fish and
fish species

More food and shelter
for fish and frogs

CONCLUSIONS

Waterfront property developed without shoreland zoning standards can lead to erosion and shoreline loss, harm the lake or river, and reduce waterfront property values.

Complete the Shoreland Evaluation Tool to assess your waterfront property at survey.healthylakeswi.com.



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Links to Videos on Shoreline restoration

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WyKzpwuxKY&t=1s&authuser=0>
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