

LYLPS Work Plan 2023 Review

Overview

LYLPS continued to exercise the lake management plan during 2023. Primary activities and results were:

Plan		Res	sults
Monito O O	Monitor the lake through CSLAP Expand the monitoring by developing a macrophyte monitoring program with Soil and Water (SWCD) Develop a HABs monitoring program Support C-OFOKLA flood rapid- response program	•	Successfully completed a full season of testing for CSLAP Did not make progress on macrophyte monitoring Did not make progress on HABs monitoring Participated in C-OFOKLA flood rapid response team including adding a page to our website at littleyorklake.com/storm-preparation-and- response/
Preven O	tion Continuing support, through C- OFOKLA, of the boat steward program, CCStoptheInvasion.org and including support of the boat decontamination station. Provide content for public outreach, both directly and through C- OFOKLA.	•	We had minimal involvement in the boat steward program for 2023. We are supporting proposal by SWCD to DEC for funding for 2024. We helped organize and participated in the NYSFOLA'S CNY Regional Conference at Little York Lake presented by C-OFOKLA. This included operational as well as content support for ~100 participants.
• Treatm 0	Treat recurring VLM with ProcellaCOR Treat starry stonewort, pondweed, and nuisance natives through weed harvesting	•	Cancelled our VLM treatment because there were minimal plants in the permitted zones. VLM continues to remain at bay, though we have identified several small patches around the lake that will require monitoring/alternative treatments in 2024. We partnered with SWCD to operate a leased harvester. When operational, the process worked well. Unfortunately, due to mechanical issues, the harvester was only operated for approximately 40 hours. Contracted with Gary Laroux for an additional 27 hours of harvesting. Eel weed emerged in late July with surface mats of seed pods.
• Manag 0	ement Support SWCD shorescaping program	•	SWCD has not been active with the shorescaping program. We need to re-evaluate how to move forward in support of our community.

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 Continue support of septic education program Participate in the Tioughnioga River LWRP Update project 	 Providing ongoing support for the septic program. Thoma has been inactive on getting the LWRP finalized and into the towns' hands. We are following up on this. We conducted two meetings with the LYLPRD Advisory Board to develop our plan and budget. We will conduct a final meeting for the year to review our results.
 Organizational Continue to build community Maintain the lake management plan Explore establishing a "dredging" fund 	 Successfully held two happy hours, our annual boat parade, annual meeting and fall picnic. Added 2 new board members. We are seeking a vendor to update our lake management plan. Initial RFP process was unsuccessful. Our funding committee proposed conducting a 30-day raffle. Due to state regulations we were limited to \$5,000 total net proceeds. We successfully secured 30 days worth of prizes and sold 486 tickets at \$10. We will continue to explore additional funding ideas and/or expanding the raffle project