

6/13/2015

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### **Water Monitoring**

- Water Level
  1. Started lower than 2014 fall level due to low snow accumulation during 2014 winter.
  2. Dry spring time conditions caused lake to be down 1" from 4/20 base measurement.
  3. As of today's measurement 6/13 lake is up 2"
  
- Adams County gave me a new temperature monitor that is tied to my pier for the entire 2015 boating season.
- The lake will participate in the 2015 Secchi dip-in, this is the 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of this North American event. It is also the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first reading by the inventor, Father Pietro Angelo Secchi.
- 5 Fish cribs were installed in 5/27/2015 with the assistance of Mark Shaw and Scott Larson. Thank you to Larry Borud for donating the trees to make this possible. Fish crib locations marked and provided to the DNR.
- 2 Zebra mussel traps installed in May. Minnesota is reporting a new solution for handling zebra mussels (first ever) they were all killed with treatment. The study is ongoing this summer to evaluate the copper treatment used.
- Loon Observations for spring 2015? Please forward them on to Mike Backus.
- A large family of Canadian Geese 16-17 have been observed on the lake as residents. Reminder that Canadian Geese are a Federally protected species resulting in significant fines for harassing or harming them out of season.
- Only 2 water tests done for this year so far. 19' reading on first 18' on second.

### **Boating violations**

- Significant number of No wake violations observed already this spring.
- Please assist in educating the offending boaters of the no wake hours.

### **Clean Boats Clean Waters**

- The number of hours and volunteers has decreased for two years in a row currently.
- We are no longer the top performing lake in Adams county for Clean Boats Clean Waters.
- Mark and Laura Shaw have exhausted many avenues of gaining support from Lake District property owners with little support. They will retire lead of Clean Boats Clean Waters due to lack of support.
- Convention report

- Recommend NOT to support Adams request for donations.
  1. They have cut the hours of the only person who has helped this lake from the very start of being a lake district.
  2. We see less of her help due because of these cuts.
  3. I recommend we write a letter stating our position.