

LAKE LORELEI “LAKES FUND COMMITTEE” REPORT- May 2023

With the passing of the Lakes Fund earlier this summer, the Board of Trustees created a new Lakes Fund Committee. The purpose of this committee (comprised of current Lake Lorelei property owners) is primarily to develop strategies for programs, projects and procedures for the protection, preservation, and enhancement of all LL lakes. The Lakes Fund Committee’s areas of concern include Shoreline Maintenance, Water Quality Testing, Lakes Treatment Programs, Dredging Program, Lake Safety, and Lake Valves, Dam, & Spillway Maintenance that will ultimately serve as recommendations to the Lake Lorelei Board of Trustees. Currently, the main focus on of the Lakes Fund Committee is dredging.

DREDGING UPDATE

“We didn’t realize we were making memories; we just knew we were having fun.” — Winnie The Pooh

While the weather has not been as cooperative as we would like, we are pleased to report that the dredging continues- on time and on budget!!

Here is what has been taking place since December:

- The contractors are currently working in the North Inlet.
- Work began at the northern most point in Gladys Run. It is estimated that 36,049 cubic yards of muck will be removed. As of May 9th, 9,440 cubic yards have been removed (118 Barge Loads). It is estimated that there are 12 ‘Work Weeks’ remaining to complete the North Inlet (a ‘Work Week’ is considered Monday-Thursday for about 12 hours per day).
- ***Where are they now?*** When you are on the water, you will see a Marker Buoy floating in the water. This buoy is where the contractor will begin on their next workday. It is important that no one disrupts this buoy for any reason.
- Since the North Inlet will take until late July/early August, we will update you about the sequence of the remaining coves later in June/July.
- Dredging on Lake Fichtelberg is complete.
 - *Muck Removed:* 18,800 cubic yards; *Total Barge Loads:* 235.

Reminders:

- ***Safety:*** It is important that people stay clear of areas where equipment is in use.
- ***My Dock and Boat:*** When the contractor is working through your area, it is important to keep your boat in a different location. The Association will have some public docks available for use and I am sure there is a neighbor in another cove willing to dock your boat while work is performed. It is critical that we leave the path of the barge and heavy machinery clear to not hinder the work or their pace.
- ***Roads, mud and needed patience:*** It is expected that there will be dirt/mud on the roads while the trucks transport the muck to the disposal sites. The contractor makes every effort to keep the roads as clear as possible. However, if you choose to drive through the areas where the trucks cross, you will pick up mud in your tires and on your vehicle. We recommend that you avoid these areas as much as possible, which may require taking the long way around the lake. We apologize for the inconvenience, but this was expected and requires your patience and understanding. During inclement weather, there will be times that the road could be closed. The Lake will open the back gate to help residents avoid crossing the construction areas.
- ***Disposal sites*** are working as expected. The amount of rain has made drying these areas more difficult. As a result, the contractor will be using multiple sites so they are able to continue to work.
- These sites are closed to the public for safety reasons. Special permission can be given by the office when dredging work is *NOT* taking place. Please do not attempt to get close to the muck piles.

“What’s Next”:

- Dredging in North Inlet continues for the next 12 weeks.
- In early July, the sequence of Coves will be verified with the contractor and shared with the membership (assuming the current pace is maintained).

- ***What about around my dock?*** The Board of Trustees approved scope of work has the contractor keeping approximately 5' away from docks and shorelines. This decision was made to minimize the impact on private residents' rip-wrap and docks. We expect that individual residents will be able to enter into a personal 'contract' with the dredger to remove muck closer to your dock and shoreline (at your own risk and expense). We anticipate that this option will be available upon the contractor completing the scope of work for Lake Lorelei. More information about the process and approximate costs will be sent to impacted members as we get closer to the end of the current project.

Ready for some Summer Fun!!!

The Lake Lorelei Lakes Fund Committee