



VILAS COUNTY FORESTRY



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RE: Muskellunge Creek culvert at Pincherry Road

Gentlemen:

On Thursday, 12 May 1994 the Forestry, Recreation, & Land Committee met with interested parties from the Muskellunge Lake and Little St. Germain Lake Associations to address the issue of algae buildup in the east bay of Little St. Germain Lake due to the restricted flow at the above site.

The Committee, in reference to the study produced by the Bureau of Water Resources Management of the Department of Natural Resources, concurred that the algae buildup in Little St. Germain Lake was not affected by this culvert, but the water level at the dam site on Muskellunge Lake was indeed influenced by the culvert.

The Committee decided to leave the culvert in place and the Forestry Department staff will clean debris at the culvert every other week, or when conditions warrant, more often.

The Committee extends their appreciation to all who were present. The sincere concern expressed over the forest and water resources of our area is commendable in this time of rapid development of the land. Hopefully, this action will resolve the water level problem. The algae issue is much more complex.

Sincerely,

William Egtvedt
Chairman, Vilas County Forestry, Recreation, & Land Committee

WE:cv

cc: Laura Herman
John Seibel