

**Permit Number
2023-0875**

AQUATIC PLANT MANAGEMENT PERMIT
EXPIRATION DATE: 10/31/2023

Contact the Authorized Issuer (listed below) if you have any questions regarding this permit.

The Commissioner of the Natural Resources, pursuant to authority by law, hereby **GRANTS THIS PERMIT** to the person whose name appears below, for the purpose specified, dates inclusive as shown, in the conditions hereinafter set forth:

Project Name: Lakewide Migrating Cattail Bog Permit		Control Method: Bog Removal/Relocation
County: Wright	Watershed: Mississippi River - St. Cloud	Resource: Clearwater (86025200)
Permittee: CLEARWATER LAKE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION CONTACT: HOPPE, JOHN, (763) 486-0246 PO BOX 476 ANNANDALE , MN 55302 (612) 247-3707		Authorized Agent: (N/A)
Lake Address (if different):		

Authorized Control Area:
Migrating floating bog(s) on Clearwater (86025200).

This permit allows removal of migrating free-floating unattached cattail bogs within Clearwater Lake by association members if the bog is less than or equal to approx. 15x15' or 225 sq. ft. in size. Heavy equipment may not be used to remove bogs of this size or smaller. You may use a tractor or 4 wheeler on the shoreline to pull bog pieces out and allow to drain for a day or two prior to moving. This permit also allows for moving and reattachment of any size of migrating unattached cattail bogs in the areas indicated on map submitted with the permit application as long as they are not reattached in an area adjacent to private property and blocking their access to the lake (unless written permission is granted by the impacted property owner). Relocated bogs cannot cover up any bulrush beds or known water lily areas. The Clearwater Lake Property Owners Association have designated 4 lake captains (Zone 1: Deb Flygare, Zone 2: Tim Isle, Zone 3: Brian Tommerdahl, Zone 4: Chuck Sell) to 4 zones on Clearwater Lake as per attached map. Each lake captain will provide advice and supervision to impacted properties to ensure proper handling of bogs.

Authorized Action:
Relocating and/or removing of migrating floating bogs.

Relocated migrating bogs must be secured to prevent further movement using wooden stakes. This permit authorizes the transport of aquatic plants and prohibited invasive species during bog relocation or removal activities.

Before transporting the bog for disposal you must: (1) drain excess water from the bog material before leaving the water body, for example by parking the truck on an incline; (2) transport the bog material directly from the water body to the disposal site; (3) dispose of bog material at least 300 feet from any waters of the state or seasonally flooded lands; and (4) clean all aquatic plants, sediment and prohibited invasive species from all equipment with each load – no vegetation should be on the outside of the transport truck/trailer before using public roads. If you intend to remove the floating bog via a public access, make sure you contact the owner of the access (an access permit may be necessary).

Prior to removal of any bogs larger than 15x15', the Clearwater Lake Property Owners Association must notify the Little Falls APM office at 320-232-1079 and have this permit amended to reflect the details of removal prior to commencing work. All bogs must be inspected and free of nesting loons prior to any removal taking place.

Issued Date: 04/19/2023		Effective Date: 04/19/2023		Expiration Date: 10/31/2023	
Authorized Issuer: Audrey Posterick	Title: Aquatic Plant Management Specialist	Email Address: Audrey.posterick@state.mn.us		Phone Number: 320-232-1079	

This permit is granted **subject to** the following **CONDITIONS:**

ANNUAL SURVEY: The permittee or their agent must complete an annual survey indicating the actual treatment dates and the amount and type of herbicide used no later than December 31st. The survey will be sent to you in the fall.

ENFORCEMENT: Impacts to aquatic plants outside permitted area or without valid permit may result in enforcement action.

CONTROL EFFECTIVENESS: The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources does not vouch for the effectiveness of any treatment method or operation nor does it stand as arbiter whether or not any such method or operation has been satisfactory. This permit is permissive only and no liability shall be incurred by the State or by any of its offices, agents, or employees by reason of the issuance of it or by reasons of acts or operations of the permittee. The permittee shall be solely responsible for any damage or injury to persons, domestic or wild animals, waters, or property, real or personal of any kind, resulting from the permittee's acts or operations, and at all times the State of Minnesota, its officers, agents, and employees, shall be held harmless from any liability for such damage or injury.

PERMIT EXPIRATION: This permit is only valid until the expiration date listed at top of the permit and must be renewed if you want to continue plant control in future years. To renew, go to www.mndnr.gov/mpars and create or log in to your MPARS account. Then find your permit number and click Renew permit.

NON-TRANSFERABLE: This is a non-transferable permit. If property ownership changes, this permit is invalid.

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