



AIS Activities Jan - Mar 2009

LCC - March 13, 2009 - Meeting

Presentation/Workshops:

- Jan 6th - AIS Control Grant Writing Workshop, Iron River; Jane Malischke, WDNR Financial Assistant Specialist co-hosted. 11 attendees
- Jan 27th - slide presentation of AIS program to date, Bayfield Co. Board
- Feb 12th - Northland College Career & Volunteer Fair; invasive species volunteer opportunities-employment opportunities based on grant awards; 18 contacts, 15 students signed up for more information, networked with other agencies
- Feb 13th - Bayfield County Lakes Forum Surface Water Consortium, NGLVC, AIS program accomplishment (NO NEW AIS DOCUMENTED IN COUNTY!!!!), participated in discussions of group priorities and how these can be met.

Meetings:

- Jan 13th - Northwoods Cooperative Weed Management Area (NCWMA), NGLVC, discussed workshops for municipal road crews for invasive species awareness and prevention, grant updates, possible work days for the 2009 season, upcoming events for possible outreach.
- Feb 10th - NCWMA, NGLVC, set up work days for season as well as beetle collection days for purple loosestrife and leafy spurge biological control, planned for three outreach events.
- Feb 12th - Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute, Northland College, met with other agency folk and SIGO and NC faculty to discuss NCs new curriculum and intern opportunities for students.
- Feb 16th - AIS Committee, Washburn; discussed fishing tournaments, county transport ordinance and possible penalty increase, grant update, Wisconsin Association of Lakes March Conference, business member replacement for committee.
- Mar 12th - phone conference - AIS Committee regarding ordinance and penalty structure of county

Grant Administration:

- Coastal Management Grant, NCWMA / LWCD completed: reimbursement payment received.
- A reimbursement request was submitted to WDNR for the county grant and payment received; this also included summary report of AIS activities.
- Final report and reimbursement request submitted to WDNR for the county park (Twin Bear and Delta) 2008 grant.
- AIS Control Grant submitted to WDNR for 2009-2010 for AIS programs in the Iron River and Delta Areas (including county parks); no status available at this time. Worked collaboratively with the Iron River Area Lakes Association as they also submitted a grant for control and manage the Eurasian Water-milfoil on the Pike Chain of Lakes.

Other Activities:

Writing letters of support for grants, co-nominating Town of Barnes for Lake Stewardship Award (Awarded!), working on AIS newsletter, planning workshops for the summer, writing other letters of official nature.