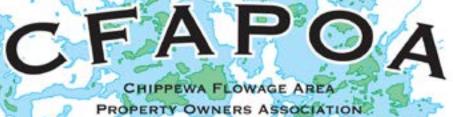
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Summer 2025

# The Big Chip News

# Lake Survey Launch

by Mike Gardner CFAPOA Chair

Aquatic plants are a critical component of the Chippewa Flowage freshwater environment. They help to ensure good water quality and clarity through their influence on sediment stability, nutrient uptake and oxygen content, while providing habitat and food for fish and wildlife. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) is responsible for regulating the management of aquatic plants growing in the surface waters of the state. They work with lake associations and tribes to manage aquatic plants through an ecologically focused program with an emphasis on protecting ecosystems and controlling invasive plant species.

Later this month the \$53,138 project will begin to update the 2008 Chippewa Flowage Aquatic Plant Management Plan. CFAPOA will play a lead role in cooperation with the Lac Courte Oreilles

Conservation Department with partial funding support from the WDNR. We have contracted with **Endangered Resource Services** LLC to conduct the plant survey / data analysis and Northwest **Regional Planning Commission** to provide plan updates, meeting facilitation and education.

The data collected (1.548) littoral points) will provide critical support for determining overall health or impact of annual drawdowns on native species. Additionally, the annual subset survey for invasive species (500+ points) in partnership with LCO, WDNR, USFS and CFPOA will continue. In all the process could take over a year. There will be numerous opportunities to attend public informational sessions and to provide input. Stay tuned if you want to know the meaning of Floristic Quality Index or what macrophytes the fish are lurking in.

#### Loon Rescuers **Facilitate Adoption** See Pg. 4 for full article.



Photo by Marcia Suchy



See Pg. 3 for details.

#### **CFAPOA Needs Your Help**

With your membership, you can volunteer and help us with our mission to:



## Membership Update

by Patty Swaffield

#### **New Members**

Brian & Jen Lemke Steve & Sheryl Sorenson Walt &Pat Wyczawski

#### **Contributor**

Brian & Jen Lemke Steve & Sheryl Sorenson Walt &Pat Wyczawski

#### Steward

Mike Lewandowski

#### Lifetime

Cheryl Treland & Betz Latsch Pablo & Renee Miranda Phil & Mary Stanfield

#### Conservationist

Thank you for your Lifetime Conservationist donation. Your support and investment in our organization helps to promote our mission to keep the Chippewa Flowage clean and safe, to protect the environment.

**David Carland** Tom & Tia Clark Chris & Jessica Conard Dean & Kristin Elmer Joe & Lora Garceau Scott & Erin Hartman **Chris & Patti Jeffords** Karl & Stephanie Kann **Brad Krizan Douglas Kurtzweil** John & Shelley Lamoreaux **Cheryl Treland & Betz Latsch** 

Mike & Kris Maly

Pablo & Renee Miranda Mike & Lynn Muench **Kyle & Sara Nemetz** Brian, Juliane & Tyler Novak **Brian & Sibley Pauling** Gene & Pat Schubert **Barbara Sealy Tucker Silberhorn** Michael & Shirley Singer **Barb Schweig** Phil and Mary Stanfield Mike & Jennifer Treptow Linda Treland

#### 2026 Board Member Nominations

At the July 10, 2025 meeting of the CFAPOA Board, it was decided that Board Nominations for the 2026 Board would remain open until July 29, 2025 at 5 pm. Applicants are mandated to complete a Board Application and submit the application to any current board member to be eligible to be placed on the ballot for the August 3, 2025 Annual Meeting by the deadline via email. Applications not presented by the deadline will not be accepted. There will be no open nominations at the Annual Meeting.

The final slate of Board Applications will be published to the membership after July 29 and before the Annual Meeting. As well, paper copies of the Board Applications will be available for review at the Annual Meeting. Voting for next year's Board Openings will be done by prepared Ballots on August 3, 2025. Board member contact information can be found on the last page of this newsletter.

#### Bingo @ Chief Lake New Member Deal lodge



Join us on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 for some Bingo fun and to learn more about CFAPOA. Starting at 6:00 p.m.



Join now and attend our Annual Picnic on August 3 and become eligible to vote on matters at the membership meeting during the picnic. See membership options below.

#### **Membership Levels**

- \$25: Individual/Property
- \$26 to \$124: Contributor newsletter recognition.
- \$125 to \$999: Steward newsletter recognition and a gift.
- \$1000 and up: Lifetime Conservationist newsletter recognition, a gift, and lifetime membership.

Richard & Lisa Uihlein Jr.

## CFAPOA to hold Annual Summer Picnic

Sunday, August 3, 2025 @ Deer Run Resort



Adrian Wydeven, Guest Speaker at the 2025 Summer Picnic.

Adrian grew up in Kimberly, Wisconsin along the highly industrial Fox River, but managed to find some wild areas along the river and along railroad tracks that inspired his interest in wildlife and the wild places where they lived.

Adrian obtained his BS degree from UW-Stevens Point in Biology and Wildlife Management (1976), and his MS from Iowa State University (1979). He worked in wildlife conservation and management for the Missouri Department of Conservation (1980-1982), and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (1982-2015) over the next 35 years.

Between 1990 and 2013, Adrian headed up the recovery and conservation program for gray wolves and other nongame mammals in Wisconsin. With retirement in 2015, Adrian continues to be active as volunteer, part time worker, or contractor, surveying and promoting sound conservation of wolves and other wildlife.



January 1, 2025 was the start of a new membership year. You can renew online at https://cfapoa.org/membership



## A Busy **Loon** June on the Chippewa Flowage

Posted on Facebook:

#### HELP, I need a Loon Family to adopt me.



On Saturday May 31st, this recently hatched loon chick was found beached and in someone's driveway on Perch Lake northeast of Hudson, Wisconsin. Numerous attempts to unite this tiny chick with its family were futile.

Its sibling was involved in the "bully of a sibling" syndrome and this chick was repeatedly and aggressively being attacked by its sibling. Even when this chick displayed submissive behavior, its sibling continued to attack it. This chick would leave the family to find solitude and beached itself, but its bully sibling would even follow and attack it on shore.

This is one of the most aggressive displays of sibling rivalry we personally have witnessed, but with this said, this chick cannot stay on Perch Lake. This chick was checked over and was eating when offered food. No health issues were noted during the exam, and appears to be a healthy chick. This is a very early hatch of loon chicks. Most loons are still incubating their eggs including loons on Walter Piper's "The Loon Project" study lakes.

We need to find a loon family with a single chick which is approximating 3-4 days old as of today, Monday, June 2, 2025.

Introducing a loon chick to a new loon family is dicey. This new loon chick has a 50/50 chance that its new parents and their biological chick will accept this new addition to their family.

This loon cannot be raised in captivity and its only chance to survive and thrive is on a lake with a new family. Please call us if you know of a loon family with a single chick here in Wisconsin.

Thank You Loon Rescue



How it played out from this point was Joni Zich responded to the Facebook posting and because this is early in the season for hatched chicks the Chippewa Flowage was one of the only lakes that had a single 3 to 4 day old chick which made our Sand Island territorial pair a candidate for adopting the abandoned chick. Thanks to Anne Nikoli and Marcia Suchy, who previously had identified the single chick, we were able to confirm the chick was still present on the day of the attempted adoption.



Photo by Marcia Suchy

We then met the Loon Rescuers from Hudson and Tomahawk, Wisconsin after they traveled a great distance to our home on the Chippewa Flowage. We boated out to the Sand Island loon pair with the single biological chick. The experienced loon rescue coordinator, Linda Grenzer, explained the introduction and chick integration process prior to the attempted adoption.

First, Linda prepared the kayak and loon chick for approach. She left us in the boat with a floating loon decoy made by her husband Kevin Grenzer. Once we got near the territorial pair, we released the loon decoy and backed the boat away as both loon parents floated over near the decoy and attacked the intruding loon leaving

their chick alone. At that precise moment, Linda kayaked close to the local chick and released the Perch Lake chick nearby. Once the chicks were floating together, we quickly approached and removed the loon decoy from the water near the two adult loons.

The loon pair then retreated back to the chicks and each parent took a chick under their wing. The parents floated apart for a while, each with a chick, and then after about 15 minutes the two adult loons joined the family together. The first five minutes of reunion went very well, according to Linda, but the local chick did peck at the new chick for a few minutes to show dominance and the new chick was submissive.



Photo by Marcia Suchy

After a bit, both chicks climbed onto each parent's back and sometimes both chicks on the same parent's back. Since early June, both chicks in the loon family have been observed numerous times being fed by the adult loons and the whole family have been getting along great. Five weeks later the loon chicks are still doing excellent and they have been observed on a daily basis.

If interested. Loon Rescue, Inc. accepts donations to help cover some of the costs of their loon rescues that frequently occur in Wisconsin.

Loon Rescue, Inc. N11615 Loon Bay Rd Tomahawk, WI 54487

## **Hulu Foot Waggle**



Photo by Phil & Mary Stanfield

Terry and Debbie Wall contacted Mark and Joni Zich indicating that a Hula Popper lure was attached to a Muskie Bay loon's foot. The loon was hanging close to the shoreline in the bay near the CTH B bridge.

With advice from Loon Rescue Coordinator Linda Grenzer Mark and Joni felt comfortable enough to try night capture with Phil and Mary Stanfield when darkness set in. The Stanfield's pontoon worked great with Phil's good navigation and

directions from Mary.

We coordinated the light stream into the loon's eyes after closely following the loon. Hula Foot Waggle eventually allowed us to net it shortly after dark.

Two small treble hooks were tough to snip out, but we were able to safely cut and remove them. A small piece of hook remained inside the foot but we were able to successfully extract that piece of

"a Hula
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loon's foot"

hook as well. Safely captured, unhooked, and released Hula Foot Waggle paddled around the bay during the night and finally felt well enough to leave the bay the next day.

We are truly grateful for the keen eye of Terry and Debbie spotting this hooked loon and for the removal of the hook. The Hula Foot Waggle loon is now swimming and diving freely.

Please respect the wildlife on the Chippewa Flowage and navigate watercraft safe distances and speeds around the loon families and all wildlife.

# Have Opinions of Chippewa Flowage Anglers Changed in the Last 20 Years?

by Max Wolter – Wisconsin DNR Senior Fisheries Biologist

Electrofishing and netting surveys can tell us a lot about the Chippewa Flowage Fishery. We can learn how fast fish are growing, which species are reproducing well, and how size or abundance have changed over time. But fishers (anglers and tribal harvesters) are also an important part of the fishery and their preferences and opinions are an equally important factor in fisheries management.

We don't do electrofishing surveys to gauge public opinion (you're welcome). Instead, we turn to social surveys that ask anglers and harvesters about their preferences for the fishery and experiences out on the water.

We conducted a meeting in 2005 to gather information from Chippewa Flowage anglers when we created the original Chippewa Flowage Fishery Management Plan. At that time, we heard from 16 anglers, which was useful, but not a large sample size.

In 2025, 20 years after the 2005 planning effort, we wanted to see how Chippewa Flowage angler opinions might have changed. With the advent of online surveys and social media it was much easier to push a survey out to a larger number of anglers. From January-June 2025 we heard from 964 anglers who fish on the Chip. That's a much better sample size that gives us more confidence in our results.

#### Here's what we learned:

# 1. Species Preferences Have Not Changed – In both 2005 and 2025 we asked anglers to rank their interest in fishing for different species. The ranking of species between the two surveys was nearly identical, with walleye, crappie, musky, and bluegill taking the top four spots (in that order) in both surveys. Northern pike were the lowest ranked species to appear in both surveys.

2. Harvest vs. Catch and Release – Another similarity from 2005 to 2025 was which species anglers expressed interest in harvesting and which they practiced catch and release. Anglers expressed openness to harvesting northern pike and panfish, while smallmouth bass and muskellunge were more valued for catch and release. Walleye and largemouth bass were in the middle of the spectrum.

#### 3. Modest support for status

quo – Anglers (and biologists) can always find some area of the fishery that they would like to see improved. However, the 2025 survey showed a fair amount of satisfaction with the current status of the fishery and angling regulations, especially for walleye. Most anglers did not want to see any changes to the ice fishing season for walleye (closed in winter). Similarly, a large percentage of anglers were happy with their current walleye fishing experiences and did not want to see

the population opened up to more harvest.

4. Pike Improvement
Project check in – Several
questions on the 2025 survey
asked about the Pike Improvement
Project (PIP) and harvesting pike.
A large majority of anglers knew
about the PIP, highlighting the
success of organizers in getting the
word out about the program. About
30% of anglers were now more
likely to harvest pike than before
the PIP. That's a big win. However,
about half of all anglers say they
either will not harvest pike or will
only harvest large pike.

5. Lots of confusion about drawdowns - Anglers and property owners were all over the map when asked about the use of fall drawdowns for controlling aquatic invasives and boosting popular fish species like walleye and muskellunge. Nearly equal percentages supported the use of fall drawdowns, opposed the use of fall drawdowns, saw the benefits of drawdowns but still didn't like them, or felt they needed more information before forming an opinion. However, the comments about drawdowns revealed a lot of misconceptions. A common refrain was wanting drawdowns to start in October instead of September. This is based on a fundamental misunderstanding of what a habitat drawdown is and when it starts.





Scott Braden (left) and Kurtis Burton (right) with walleye captured during fyke netting.

## Here's what this means to me as a biologist:

With regards to #1 and #2, these results say we are on the right track with how we are managing the fishery and prioritizing different species. It is very interesting to me that 16 anglers in 2005 had the same preferences as almost 1,000 anglers 20 years later. That tells me that a lot of these preferences are very fixed and will probably look similar in another 20 years.

Our questions about walleye fishing experiences and seasons tell us that we shouldn't rush into any big changes and that the ice fishing closure (odd as it might be compared to other lakes) is popular enough to keep it as-is. We will continue to monitor popular species like walleye and will adjust management and regulations accordingly if conditions change. But for now, enjoy a robust walleye fishery.

The angler data provides our best information to date on the social impacts of the Pike Improvement Project. It's changing how people fish, and that's good. But the survey also indicates there is room to grow, especially when it comes to convincing anglers to harvest some pike or to start keeping smaller pike.

With regards to #5 and drawdowns, well, we have some work to do. Some of the folks who don't support drawdowns appear to simply be confused about what is an intentional habitat drawdown and what is just low water. To be clear, habitat drawdowns do not start until October. Low water around Labor Day or through September is simply the result of low-water conditions, which is a fact of life on a flowage. There has never been a decision to start a habitat drawdown that early. Please help spread awareness of how this process works among your friends and neighbors. Drawdowns have been a powerful tool for managing the fishery, but we can only maintain public support for what we are doing if accurate information is being shared.

#### **Next Steps:**

We have learned a lot since 2005 when the current management plan was initiated. Over the next year I will be working to update the management plan with new fisheries and angler data so we can continue to manage the flowage fishery as effectively as possible. I am very appreciative of all the people that took time to respond to the survey and the groups that helped distribute it. I expect a key feature of the updated plan will be highlighting partnership opportunities for groups like CFAPOA so we can support each other in our common goals of great fishing and a healthy ecosystem. Much more to come!

## **Invasive Species Update**

by Dennis Clagett

What happens to our most troublesome resident aquatic invasive species purple loosestrife and Eurasian watermilfoil during the winter months? Eurasian watermilfoil's roots will not tolerate freezing temperatures causing the plant to die or become stunted. As a

result, in the shallower areas, it must start fresh each spring using the warmer months to reproduce. This vulnerability is of great value controlling the spread of Eurasian watermilfoil.

The Chippewa Flowage, not being a true natural lake with stable water levels, but a reservoir, made by building a dam across the Chippewa River for flood control and generating electricity provides a third benefit.

During the late fall and winter months the Chippewa Flowage experiences a normal not-to-exceed 0 to 5 foot "winter drawdown" to meet Xcel Energy's peak heating season demand. Occasionally, the Partner's Group, using a decision matrix protocol, recommends a habitat drawdown that can lower the reservoir to a max drawdown of 8.0 feet. These normal and habitat drawdowns, that expose the invasive plant roots in exposed lake bottom areas to freezing temperatures, provide a seasonal setback. This is a powerful tool that natural lakes that have no water level control do not have access to and these lakes often resort to chemical treatment.

As to purple loosestrife, Unfortunately, summer weather will trigger the regrowth of purple loosestrife roots that survive freezing temperatures. PL is a very hardy aquatic invasive requiring both manual and Bio control. Manual is provided by our Adopt-A-Shoreline volunteers. As I write this (June 30th) it is a little early for purple loosestrife to be flowering, but buy the time you read this the first purple flower heads will be appearing.

This is the yearly starting gun for our Adopt-A-Shoreline volunteers to swing into action, cutting flower heads and pulling plants and roots for landfill disposal. If you are unfamiliar with this program this is how it works. The Chip's shoreline is divided into 36 sections, 18 on the west and 18 on the east. CFAPOA members "Adopt" a section (or two) usually close to their home. During the summer months they monitor shoreline plants looking for invasive aquatic plants like purple loosestrife and Eurasian water milfoil.

This year their efforts will be reinforced by our Bio Control program, raising beetle that eat the PL leaf's. Thank you Mark Mantey for adopting and helping with west side Section #1. A big thank you goes out to Adopt-A-Shoreline volunteers Gay and Linda Crank for their many years monitoring the shoreline of sections 3 & 5.

If you would like to join the Adopt-A-Shoreline volunteers contact me with questions etc. rclagett@centurytel.net 715 462 4814

## Adopt-A-Shoreline Volunteers

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Name	East	West
Kris Koehnen & David Jordheim		1, 2
Mike & Lynn Muench	M, P	
Jim & Jan Evenstad		12
Gary & Linda Crank		3, 5
Christine and Jayson Grams		13
LCO Conservation Dept.	H, I, Z	
Brian & Juliane Novak	S	
Alan & Lynda Fish		8, 17
Up for Adoption		18
Greg & Amy Sanders		10, 11
Chris & Patti Jeffords		4
Jerry & Nancy Johnson		6, 9
Dave Szymanowski		7, 14
Roger & Kathy Kisch	W	
Rob and Rebecca Nesse	J	
Dave Carland & Family	О	
Chris & Jess Conard	A2	
Rick & Linda Olson	R	
Tony & Laurie Schubert	T, U	
Dave Carland Family and Friends	X	
Brent and Jeanne Drapeau	E1, E2	
Mark and Joni Zich		15, 16
Bruce and Gina Dingman	D	
Mike & Phyllis Gardner	Q	
Dennis Clagett	Y	
Pete and Sarah Ross	Y	
Linda Treland	A1	
Clayton Wanta & Kurtis Burton	E1	
Mark Mantey		1

Visit our website for a detailed map of East and West locations.

https://cfapoa.org/invasive-species

# Hay Creek Boat Landing Update

by Roy Kenast, DNR Park Manager-Chippewa Flowage



Hello everyone. I've been working with the engineers regarding the Hay Creek boat landing renovation project, and I thought you'd all appreciate an update. First of all, there is a very strong chance that we won't be able to begin construction this fall like we were hoping. The engineers are fine-tuning things, and then competitive bids need to be garnered. I am expecting the landing to be closed for renovation next year and will share specific dates once the contractors submit a finalized timeline. Here are a few bits of information that you might enjoy, but please note that nothing is final yet.

- The landing may include a solar powered light near the ramp. I submitted specifications for a dark-sky friendly light.
- A vault toilet is included in the project.
- Accessible parking will be improved.
- The new ramp will be wider and longer to accommodate water level fluctuations and improve end-of-year boat access.
- The new dock will also be longer and incorporate
   ADA standards.

Have a great summer!

#### WAKESURFING IS PROHIBITED ON 95% OF THE CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE





SECTION 8 - WAKESURFING PROHIBITION AREA Ordinance #: 2025-01

No person shall operate a motorboat, as defined in s. 30.50(6), Wis. Stats. on the waters within the Town of Hunter in a manner to enhance an elevated wake for over 50 feet in length, closer than 700 feet from any shoreline, dock, pier, raft or other restricted area(s), and only with a minimum of 30-feet of water depth, within the Town of Hunter, Sawyer County. An elevated wake is a trail of disturbed water left by the passage of a watercraft in excess of 24 inches. Such prohibited operation shall apply to wake enhancement watercraft by the use of ballast, mechanical hydrofoil(s), uneven loading or operation at transition speed. Transition speed means the speed at which the boat is operating at greater than slow-no-wake speed, but not fast enough so the boat is planing.

## **CFAPOA Deploys Buoy Brigade**

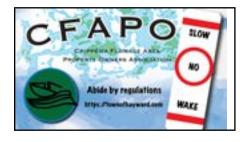
by Tony Schubert

In late Spring this year we began to realize that some Slow No Wake buoys were not being placed in certain areas on the Chippewa Flowage. After inquiries by the Board, the Department of Natural Resources informed us that they no longer could put out all the buoys that are authorized by the Town of Hunter, for Slow No Wake navigation. Our Board discussed the situation and decided that we could take this project over to help care for our lake's shorelines as well as protect the safety of the lake's users. The 6 areas of our lake that have been adopted by our Association are: Sliver's Point Channel, Hay Creek, Channel to Pokegama Lake, Tiger Musky Bay, Fletcher's Bay, and Musky Bay. There are 15 buoys that we are responsible for the placement, removal, maintenance and storage of the buoy materials. Due to important safety concerns, the DNR wanted to continue their placement of the nine buoys on either side of the CC bridge.

I met with DNR employee Roy Kenast, Park Manager for Chippewa Flowage, in late May for a 3 hour reconnaissance mission to locate and record the coordinates of the buoy stashes around the flowage. We were surprised to find some of these 15 buoys had been placed in the water and 4 buoys were missing from their stash locations.

During that excursion, Roy filled me in on what exactly these buoys mean and how the law applies to boater's actions.

According to Wisconsin law, Slow No Wake means operating your boat as slowly as possible while still maintaining steerage **control.** The no wake zone is anywhere within 100 feet of the buoys, meaning you should slow your boat to no wake speed 100 feet before you pass the buoy. The zone includes all areas between the placement of the next buoy. That is why you see at least two buoys on either end of a Slow No Wake zone. Wisconsin law provides that there should be no wake within 100 feet of any shoreline or edge of dock or swimming platform. That means in places like up the rivers where there is less than 200 feet fetch from shoreline to shoreline, that by law is a no wake zone. These areas are not always marked with buoys. Boaters should know to control their speed in these areas, both for safety reasons and shoreline protection.



Buoy placements in the Flowage are authorized by the Town of Hunter. Every buoy has a specific coordinate where it is to be placed. Sometimes wind and waves will move a buoy or sometimes a bog may "eat" or bury a buoy. If you see a buoy that seems to be way out of place, you can let us know through our website (CFAPOA.org). We will take care of moving it back to the correct coordinates. If you think people are moving buoys, you can report them to the Wisconsin DNR Tip Line. Roy Kenast thinks the DNR wardens are very interested in talking with those "persons of interest". Of course, photos or testimony of the thefts would carry

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a lot more weight. The CFAPOA has taken responsibility for these

buoys and the cost of replacing stolen buoys falls on all of us.

Several members have wondered what can be done about people who ignore the No Wake zones. Roy Kenast

suggested that the best way to report violators is by calling the

DNR tip line 1-800-TIP-WDNR (1-800-847-9367). The more calls into the tip line the more

patrolling the Chippewa Flowage gets from DNR wardens. You may want to get a photo or video of the violator, showing the boat's wake and registration numbers. We do

not recommend you attempt any kind of enforcement on your

**own.** This is taken care of by the Sawyer County Sherriff Recreation Officer, the DNR or perhaps even the LCO warden.

We are happy to report that all 6 areas the CFAPOA adopted have volunteers to take over the responsibilities. Our volunteers are: Brent Drapeau, Kevin Krug, Pete and Sarah Ross, Tony and Laurie Schubert, Jerry and Dee Stanaszak, Mark and Joni Zich, and Dale Zwiefelhofer. THANK YOU "BUOY BRIGADE" for stepping up and helping to keep our lake safe and shores protected.

## Clean Boats, Clean Waters

What can

be done about

people who

ignore the No

Wake zones?

by Diane Hulke

As I write this update in early July, I am grateful for the many freedoms we have in this country.

This beautiful lake we all cherish is open, not only to members of the CFAPOA, but open to the public for their use and enjoyment.

With the privilege of enjoyment of the Flowage comes a responsibility to care for her whether you are a homeowner, renter, or day visitor. We need to promote our lake responsibility by monitoring, but more importantly, by education. Our CBCW team do their best to spread information on how actions or lack of action can damage the delicate balance that is maintained in our waters, but we need you as well.

As you participate in lake activities yourself or with friends and family, we ask you to be responsible and respectful. Private boat launches, jet skis, kayaks, canoes, used docks, all bypass standard CBCW controls. Although our teams are present at our four primary boat launches, we need you, to be responsible in being an advocate for protocols followed by CBCW.

#### **BOATERS, PADDLERS AND ANGLERS**

- please note and share with your guests

- INSPECT your boat, trailer, and equipment.
- REMOVE any attached aquatic plants or animals (before launching, after loading and before transporting on a public highway).
- DRAIN all water from boats, motors and all equipment.
- NEVER MOVE live fish away from a waterbody.
- DISPOSE of unwanted bait in the trash.
- BUY minnows from a Wisconsin bait dealer.

We are here for you but need you on our team!

The CBCW team



## CFAPOA Financial Reports

#### 2024 CFAPOA Financial Report

For Year-Ending December 31, 2024

Included in this newsletter are 2024 year-end financial reports for approval at the Annual Meeting in August. The first report is the **Statement of Activities – Summary** which shows financial activity between 1/1/2024 and 12/31/2024, excepting for \$12,000 received in 2024 for the remainer of the 2023 CBCW Grant. This report also shows the Board approved budget for the 2025 fiscal year. The second report is the **Statement of Financial Position** which provides information on our overall financial holdings.

The financial budget for 2025 is like 2024 except for an additional \$14,200 of expense for the Aquatic Plan Management Survey. A grant was submitted, and approved by the WiDNR, to cover the \$14,200 expense, plus additional expenses associated with the survey and associated management plan.

Respectfully submitted, Randy Hulke, CFAPOA Treasurer

2/5/2025	CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION
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	Fiscal Year-End December 2024

	2024 Actual	2024 Budget	2025 Budget
Recipts			
Membership Dues	12,432.00	15,000.00	13,000,00
General Fund Donations & Interest	7,672.43	4,040.00	4,540.00
Project Fund Donations & Interest	7,349.90	3,250.00	3,765,50
Trust Fund Donations & Interest	2,639.02	2,250.00	2,105.50
Land Trust Fund Deposit & Interest	1.084.29	1.000.00	1.083.00
CBCW Grants & Donations (based on grant year)	1,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
Social Events	1,152.00	2,100.00	2,100.00
Total Receipts	33,129.64	43,640.00	42,594.00
Expenses			
Admin & Mgmt (Admin Costs, Insurance, Office Supplies)	1,925,44	4,301.80	3,812.00
Membership (Supplies; Website; Gifts for Doners > \$250)	1,205.98	2,270.00	1,720:00
Newsletter & Directory	1,658.74	2,000.00	1,950.00
Social Events (Soring Fling: Annual Mitg: Christmas Party)	1,901.22	3,360.00	3,210.00
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Clean Boats Clean Waters	26,729.38	23,960.60	26,594.00
Memberships & Community	1,750.00	950.00	750.00
Ramp Extr; Pier Proj. CBCW Signs	0.00	500.00	500.00
Shoreline Protection	652.35	350.00	1,000.00
Total Expense	36,823.11	41.192.40	56.758.00
Net Activity	(3,493,47)	2.447.60	(14.164.00

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#### CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION Statement of Financial Position

As of December 31, 2024

		Dec 31, 24
ASSETS		
	10100 - Checking Account	
	10120 · Temp Rest - Project Fund	3,334.01
	10130 - Restricted - Trust Fund	1,327.00
	10140 · Temp Rest - CBCW Project	35.52
	10142 · Temp Rest - Ramp Ext Proj	0.00
	10143 - Temp Rest - Pike Imp Proj	0.00
	10100 · Checking Account - Gen Fund	13,977.48
	Total 10100 - Checking Account	18,674.01
	10300 · Paypal Account	612.73
	10700 - Money Market - Project Fund	44,056.56
	10720 - Money Market - Trust Fund	40,070.08
	10730 - Money Market - General Fund	20,068.70
	10740 - Money Market - Land Trust	27,036.24
TOTAL AS	SETS	150,518.32
LIABILITIE	S & EQUITY	
Total	Liabilities	0.00
TOTAL LIA	ABILITIES & EQUITY	150,518.32

## Plashback!







### Summer Picnic 2024

Scenes from the Summer Picnic/Annual Meeting at Deer Run last year.

Please join us for this year's meeting, which will be held on Sunday, August 3, 2025 at Deer Run Resort. Food and beverage are provided, but please feel free to bring a dessert to share.

## Spring Pling Fun @ Treelands





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#### CHIPPEWA FLOWAGE AREA PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION PO BOX 555 HAYWARD, WI 54843-0555

#### **ELECTRONIC SERVICE REQUESTED**

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# MARK YOUR CALENDAR BOARD MEETINGS

BOARD MEETINGS AND EVENTS

August 3, 2025 Annual Picnic August 7, 2025 Meeting September 4, 2025 Meeting October 2, 2025 Meeting

Board meetings are currently held at 6:00 p.m. in person at the Town of Hunter Hall and/or teleconference. Visitors are welcome to join. Contact Mike Gardner at mgardner@northflow.net





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