

BOAHC Meeting Deck

11 February 2025

5:00 PM at Town Hall & via Zoom

About These Slides

- The Boating Ordinance Ad Hoc Committee (BOAHC) is a working committee, assembled for the purpose of gathering data and information to inform decisions made by the Town of Spider Lake Board of Supervisors. The BOAHC has an advisory role; it has no decision-making authority of its own.
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- This information is part of an iterative process. The Committee's understanding of it may evolve as new information is gathered, processed and assimilated.

Agenda

- Housekeeping items (~5 min) – Keil
- Sub-team outstanding questions, proposed recommendations and discussion - Committee
 - Water Activities Hours
 - Enforcement
- February 26th Readout Prep
- Adjourn

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 831 5110 2119

Passcode: 408690

Dedicated BOAHC committee email address: (BOAHC2024@gmail.com)

Process For Reaching Consensus

1. Review outstanding questions within each category
2. Review each sub-team's one-slider of proposed recommendations
3. Take each sub-team's recommendations in turn...
 - Go through the recommendations
 - Go around the table for each committee member's agreement/disagreement
 - Discuss to reach consensus
 - Reach consensus and move to the next category

Proposed Recommendations

Water Activities Hours

Tony

Water Activities Hours Proposed Recommendations

1. Keep Lost Land Lake and Teal Lake *Quiet Lakes*.
2. Make Ghost Lake a *Quiet Lake*
3. Keep water activities the same on Lower Clam Lake as Spider Lake chain
4. Expand water activity hours to 11AM-5PM on Spider Lake chain.
5. Recommend a new specific boat survey and allow the aforementioned expansion of hours on Spider Lake for summer of 2025.
6. Separate the *Quiet Lakes* from the Spider Lake chain. There is limited data to determine if expanding water activity hours impacts safety. So why not use the next boating season to collect it and then make a decision. State recommends safe water activities to be away from shore and in less congested areas. Survey to gather the following information such as number and variety of boats. Motor size, frequency of each boat use. Thoughts on speed limits, designate certain areas as no-ski zones such as certain bays. How to enforce. Who pays for enforcement. These are just examples and I am sure there are other areas that could be addressed.

Enforcement

Craig & Dave T.

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS BOAHC

#1) Place official slow no wake buoys in key locations on Lost Land and Teal Lakes, establish a committee to discuss potential placement areas. Consider additional buoys on the Spider Lake Chain. The TOSL would be required to apply for these permits.

#2) If enforcement is considered, then we would need to partner with several neighboring towns to keep the cost as low as possible. If the towns of Spider Lake, Hayward, Bass Lake, Round Lake and Hunter each budgeted \$15,000 for a total of \$75,000 we believe this would cover the costs to implement our own shared enforcement agency. Funding could be offset by the “Intent To Patrol” program offered by the WDNR.

#3) Signage could become mandatory at all rental properties, boat landing accesses both public and private, VRBO, Airbnb, short term rentals (STR's) and resort cabins. Signage should be provided by the TOSL to help ensure uniformity. Signage would help **educate** the public on our town ordinances.

#4) Maintain separate ordinances to address the specific needs between the Spider Lake Chain and Lost Land and Teal Lakes, Ghost Lake and Lower Clam Lake.

Below are email we have sent to Madeleine Johansson and April Dombrowski asking for clarification. April deferred our questions to Madeleine. Response from Madeleine is that she is working on it as of 2-7-2025

We have some questions about the Intent To Patrol program.

1) Can we partner with a few neighboring towns to share the cost of an enforcement officer(s) to help us enforce town ordinances regarding our boating regulations.

2) Could you provide any references to other towns in Wisconsin that are utilizing the Intent To Patrol program? We would like to reach out to them to find out how the program is working and what the implementation has been like for them.

One other question you could possibly help us with is the designation of what we call the Thoroughfare which connects Lost Land to Teal Lake. We hope to apply for some Slow No Wake Buoys to be placed in this connecting body of water. People are driving through there at full speed and causing issues to the wildlife and shoreline weed areas. The Thoroughfare is never more than 100 feet wide at any point and is not more than 4' deep at any point. We would like to place official slow no wake buoys in this channel to prevent further damage and to protect the wildlife. Personally, I have seen loon nests washed out by boat traffic.

Feb 26 Readout Prep

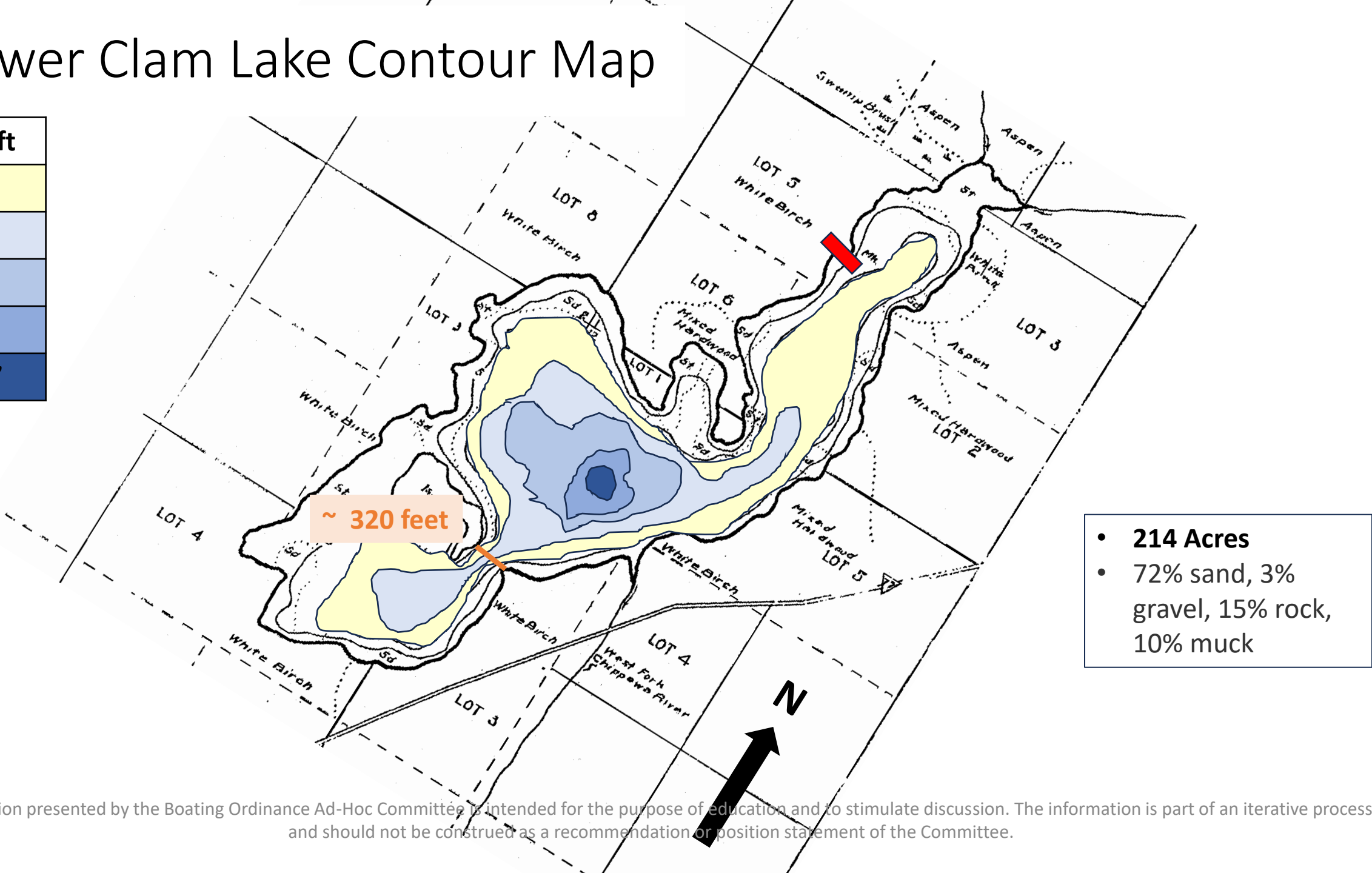
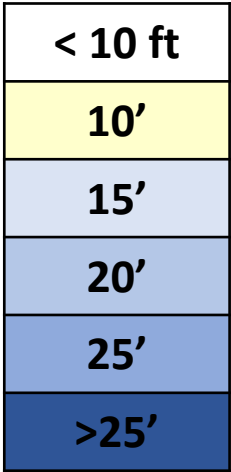
Environmental Impacts: Readout “Outline”

- For final readout on Feb 26, use Environmental Impacts info to *lay factual foundation related to local conditions* to undergird the Committee’s recommendations, e.g.
 - WDNR’s ORW designation of certain lakes
 - WDNR’s *Sensitive Areas* study on Spider Chain
 - WDNR’s assessments of Fishery health and importance
 - Loon populations
 - Etc.

Adjourn

Backup Slides

Lower Clam Lake Contour Map



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Ghost Lake Contour Map

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10'
15'
20'
25'
>25'

