

## **AN IMPORTANT UPDATE FROM YOUR NSTLRA BOARD**

March 2016

### **Lake Management Planning:**

In the February Newsletter we announced that an application was made to the DNR for funding of an Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Education, Prevention and Planning Grant for the purpose of updating our Lake Management Plan. This application was submitted in December 2015. The estimated cost of this Lake Management Planning initiative is \$49,456.

Initiating this update of our Lake Management Plan is essential to on-going eligibility for AIS Control Grants to treat the milfoil in our lakes.

We are pleased to announce that on February 2, 2016 the Wisconsin DNR posted on its website a notice that NSTLRA was awarded an AIS Education, Prevention and Planning Grant for FY 2016 in the amount of \$37,164. This will cover 75% of the costs. The remaining 25% will be covered by NSTLRA through Volunteer and In-kind matching opportunities (\$6100) and cash outlay (approximately \$6264).

The process plan to create our Lake Management Plan includes several meetings that will be open to all North and South Twin property owners. Watch for announcements about a Kick-Off Meeting, the Stakeholder Survey, sub-committee Planning Meetings and the Wrap-up Meeting. Participation in this planning process is welcome and encouraged.

### **Milfoil Treatment:**

Regarding the treatment of milfoil, NSTLRA did submit an application to the DNR in February 2016 for an AIS Control Grant to cover 50% of the cost to treat the current milfoil problem. As of the date of this email, NSTLRA has not received information regarding the success of our AIS Control Grant application.

Your continued support through Annual NSTLRA Membership and tax-deductible contributions to the AMEN FUND are critically important to our efforts to ensure the future health of our lakes.

**NSTLRA Board of Directors**