

Hello All

The Roberds Lake Club is once again planning on treating curly leaf pondweed growth from the public access out to the main part of the Lake. Thanks to the many Club members for their contributions enabling us to do this. In addition to your generous contributions, the Club has applied for and hopes to receive some grant money from State AIS County funding to help offset part of the costs. In past years, the Tri-Lakes Sportsman's Club has made contributions to the Club as well and we are hopeful they will again this year.

As many of you will recall, the company that completed this treatment last year also treated many home owners' shorelines. This year, we are once again working with Lake Management Inc. Their contact information as well as an application are provided in the other attachment to this email.

As shoreline owners, there are 4 choices you have with respect to curly leaf pondweed issues. They are as follows:

1. Do nothing - this is strictly your choice.
2. Cut the weeds yourself. The Roberds Lake Club owns some V shaped cutters that are manually pulled behind a boat or pontoon. They travel along the lake bottom along your shoreline. You can borrow these from the Roberds Lake Club for a day or so at no cost. Once cut, the weeds float up to the water's surface. After the weeds are cut, you are required by the DNR to collect them and get them out of the Lake. No permit is required for this.
3. Apply the chemical (Aquathol Super K) yourself. The chemical the home owner would use is available in a pellet form that would need to be distributed from your boat or pontoon. The chemical needs to be applied when the water temperature is between 50 and 60 degrees and on a day with little or no wind to prevent chemical drifting. You are required to have a DNR permit to do this (cost is \$35). Check with the New Ulm DNR office.
4. This last option is to have a professional treatment company apply the chemical. They will use the same chemical (Aquathol Super K), but it will be in a liquid form. There are several companies who do this. The DNR maintains a list of commercial licensed applicators. The list is available at: [http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/fish\\_wildlife/fisheries/apm/commercial\\_aquatic\\_pesticide\\_applicators.pdf](http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/fish_wildlife/fisheries/apm/commercial_aquatic_pesticide_applicators.pdf). This year, the Roberds Lake Club is working with Lake Management, Inc. to apply the Aquathol Super K in the public access area. **For those who are interested in using the same company as the Club, you will need to make arrangements directly with them.** We have attached a copy of their charges, application form and instructions to this email. They can be reached by email, phone or through their website for answers to any questions.

A representative from Lake Management Inc. will be at our annual meeting on Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM. We will post this information on our website at RoberdsLakeClub.com. If you have a neighbor who may be interested but is not on our email list, please forward to them a copy of this email or have them visit the website.

If you have questions, please email me at [tstuma3@msn.com](mailto:tstuma3@msn.com) or call at me 507-334-2004.

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