

**CEDAR MEADOW LAKE
2014 - 2015
ACTION PLAN**

GOAL 1. DAM MAINTENANCE

Maintain the dam in good condition and provide the ability to engage in periodic draw downs or other actions to maintain the lake in good condition. Routine maintenance will include periodic mowing of the upper dam surface.

Responsibility: Management Committee with assistance of qualified contractors

Resources: Funds contained in the Annual Budget

GOAL 2. ENGINEERING SERVICES

Maintain a professional relationship with an engineering firm to provide expertise and guidance with respect to the maintenance and repair of the dam. Complete State mandated Phase I follow-up inspection.

Responsibility: Management Committee

Resources: Funds contained in the Annual Budget

GOAL 3. TREE REMOVAL

Acquire the land on the south side of the dam to cut large trees and brush within 15 feet of the dam structure as ordered by the Office of Dam Safety.

Responsibility: Management Committee

Resources: Funds contained in the Annual Budget

GOAL 4. WEED CONTROL - DRAW DOWN

Draw down the lake five feet beginning in late September or early October and maintain this water elevation until the lake bottom freezes for weed control purposes. Thereafter, endeavor to maintain lake levels between 24 and 36 inches below the spillway elevations during that portion of the winter when the lake is covered with ice to minimize ice damage to shoreline structures.

Responsibility: Management Committee

Resources: Volunteer hours and minor administrative expenses

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GOAL 5. WEED CONTROL - HERBICIDES

Engage the services of a lake management organization to prepare a long range strategic plan for dealing with the proliferation of Fanwort (Cabomba), and to implement the first phase of this strategic plan.

Responsibility: Management Committee

Resources: Funds contained in the Annual Budget and volunteer hours

GOAL 6. FINANCING

Collect betterments through the Town of Leicester Tax Collector's office and make annual payments on long term USDA Rural Development loan. Invest betterment pre-payments in safe investment vehicles to realize a rate of return, over time, in excess of the loan interest rate.

Responsibility: Management Committee with the assistance of the Finance Committee.

Resources: Volunteer hours and minimal administrative expenses

GOAL 7: CONDUCT WATER QUALITY MONITORING PROGRAM

Measure total phosphorus content and clarity through the collection and analysis of lake water samples. Informally, collect and measure bacteria counts.

Responsibility: Management Committee with assistance of volunteers

Resources: Volunteer hours and low cost analysis

GOAL 8. COMMUNICATIONS

Communicate information regarding happenings on and around the lake through periodic newsletters and the District's web site www.cedarmeadow.org. Move the distribution of newsletters from U. S. Mail to e-mail.

Responsibility: District Clerk and District Treasurer

Resources: Funds contained in the Annual Budget