

President's Lake Report, October 20, 2025

AT OUR SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING, WE SPOKE AS TO THE UNSIGHTLY CONDITION OF "**KINGS LAKE**" (LAKE # ONE), WHICH IS VERY UPSETTING TO OUR RESIDENTS. THIS IS MAINLY CAUSED BY THE ABUNDANCE OF BROWN, DYING VEGETATION ALONG THE SHORELINE AS WELL AS THE RESULTING LONG MUDDY GAPS. A COMMITMENT TO FOLLOW UP PRIOR TO OUR OCTOBER MEETING WAS MADE.

1. **LAKE DOCTORS** WILL DISCONTINUE SPRAYING ALONG THE SHORELINE TO ALLOW THE NATURALLY OCCURRING VEGETATION TO GROW BACK IN AND FILL IN THE NOW MUDDY AREAS. OUR MAINTENANCE STAFF PHYSICALLY MARKED ALL OF THE AREAS OF CONCERN.

2. DRAINAGE AREAS, CULVERTS AND LAUNCH AREAS WILL BE KEPT OPEN.

3. **LAKE DOCTORS** WILL TARGET TREAT ONLY WEEDS THAT GROW TO BE OVER TWO FEET TALL, SUCH AS PRIMROSE, AS PART OF THEIR REGULAR MAINTENANCE.

4. IN "**KINGS LAKE**" ONLY, THE RIBBON OF SPIKE RUSH AND LITTORALS WILL BE MAINTAINED BETWEEN 10 AND 15 FEET FROM THE SHORELINE. THESE AREAS WILL BE TREATED FROM THE MIDDLE OF THE LAKE ONLY, SO AS TO ELIMINATE THE MUDDY VOIDS ALONG THE SHORELINE WHILE THESE AREAS RESTORE.

5. AT OUR REQUEST, **LAKE DOCTORS** PROVIDED TWO PROPOSALS AS FOLLOWS:

HAVE DEAD VEGETATION CUT AND RAKED ALONG THE SHORELINE ONLY,
\$22,000.

TO ELIMINATE THE MUDDY VOIDS, PLANT **7000** NEW LITTORALS, SPECIFICALLY ARROWHEAD, IN THE SPRING, PRIOR TO THE NEXT RAINY SEASON.
\$7,200.

THE LITTORALS THAT HAVE BEEN PLANTED IN THE PAST ARE DOING AND LOOKING WELL. THESE PLANTINGS HAVE ALSO CREATED A HEALTHY HABITAT FOR THE WADING BIRDS AND AQUATIC LIFE THAT ENHANCE OUR LAKE.

6. WE HAVE PLANNED FOR THE EXPENSE TO PLANT LITTORALS NEXT SPRING IN OUR 2026 BUDGET. HOWEVER, WE WILL **NOT** PROCEED WITH **LAKE DOCTORS'** PROPOSAL TO REMOVE THE DEAD VEGETATION. INSTEAD, WE REPAIRED OUR LAKE RAKE, THAT HAS BEEN USED IN YEARS PAST FOR THIS VERY PURPOSE, AND OUR MAINTENANCE STAFF IS IN THE PROCESS OF CLEARING THE DEAD VEGETATION ALONG THE SHORE NOW.

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THIS PLAN OF ACTION WILL IMPROVE THE SIGHT OF CURRENT CONDITIONS AND WILL SET UP THE AREA TO RESTORE ITSELF OVER THE NEXT YEAR. ALL OF THESE ACTIONS APPLY TO **KINGS LAKE. LAKE ONE, ONLY.**

OTHER ISSUES DISCUSSED, REGARDING THE LAKE, IS THE COST OF DREDGING. DREDGING IS OFTEN BROUGHT UP BY OUR RESIDENTS AS A SOLUTION. THE REALISTIC COST OF DREDGING A LAKE OF OUR SIZE WOULD BE IN THE MILLIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, ON A RECENT JOB, A 1/6TH OF AN ACRE LAKE WAS DREDGED AT A COST OF \$65,000. OUR EXPENSE, FOR OUR 35 ACRE LAKE COULD BE AROUND \$14 MILLION. (\$11,800 PER KINGSLAKE HOUSEHOLD). IN ADDITION, DREDGING REQUIRES A LOT OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT WHICH GENERALLY HAS A VERY DAMAGING EFFECT ON ACCESS AREAS, ADDING TO THE EXORBITANT COST.

IN CASES WHERE SOCK BANDS ARE PLACED TO PREVENT BANK EROSION, THAT COST IS APPROXIMATELY \$20,000 PER 100 FEET OF SHORELINE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING WHILE WE IMPLEMENT EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF OUR PATH AND LAKE.

YOUR KINGS LAKE BOARD