

Moira Lake Property Owners Association Comprehensive Lake Management Plan Proposal Summary

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Proposed Comprehensive Lake Management Plan (CLMP)



Vision for the Lake Management Plan: A healthy, thriving Moira Lake—protected by science, guided by tradition, and cared for by the community.

- Moira Lake is as a cornerstone for ecological health, recreational opportunities, and economic prosperity in the surrounding communities.
- The lake faces pressing challenges:
 - nutrient loading
 - invasive species proliferation
 - shoreline degradation
 - increased recreational use
 - increased land use pressure
 - the effects of climate change

The CLMP will provide a data-driven, actionable framework to assess and remediate challenges.



- The CLMP initiative integrates Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) with modern scientific methodologies.
 - Ensures that the plan is both culturally inclusive and grounded in evidence-based practices.
- Creates sustainable pathways for protecting the lake's biodiversity, enhancing recreational use, and supporting long-term environmental stewardship.
- A key deliverable of the CLMP will be a multi-year Implementation Plan, which will translate assessment findings into prioritized actions.
 - The plan will outline recommended strategies, timelines, responsibilities, and resources needed for future restoration and conservation efforts.

The CLMP has eight key objectives.



- 1. Engage Stakeholders
- 2. Recommend Water Quality Management Practices
- 3. Recommend Biodiversity and Habitat Improvements
 - Fish
 - Vegetation
 - Wildlife
- 4. Recommend Shoreline Improvements
- 5. Recommend Improved Septic Practices
- 6. Develop Responsible Recreation Guidelines
- 7. Develop a Lake Health Quality Index (LHQI)
- 8. Develop a Remediation and Implementation Plan

The work will proceed in six phases – logical flow.



We are here	Estimated 12 Months				
Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Phase 5	Phase 6
Preliminary Planning	Data Collection & Assessment	Analyze & Set Goals	Develop Mgt Strategies	Draft & Finalize the Plan	Design Implement ation & Monitoring

Ensure the plan reflects the needs, priorities, and knowledge of the community.

- Garner interest
- Establish Steering Committee
- Agreement on scope & approach
- Formal partnership agreements
- Finalize proposal and submit funding application
- Obtain funding & announce Project

Conduct comprehensive data collection.

- Water Quality Assessment
- Biodiversity and Habitat Assessments
- Shoreline Evaluation
- Septic
 Implications
 and Impacts
- Responsible Recreation Assessment

Synthesize the data collected during assessments.

- Data
 Integration
- Stakeholder Collaboration
- Develop SMART Goals
- Action
 Prioritization

Create actionable strategies to achieve the identified goals.

- Nutrient Load Reduction
- Invasive Species Management
- Habitat Restoration
- Septic Recommendati ons
- Responsible Recreation
- Community Education and Stewardship

Integrate findings, goals, strategies & stakeholder feedback into the CLMP.

- Draft the CLMP
- Stakeholder Consultations
- Refinement & Finalization

Establish a framework for implementing the CLMP and tracking progress.

- Implementation Plan
- Monitoring Program
- Funding & Governance Options

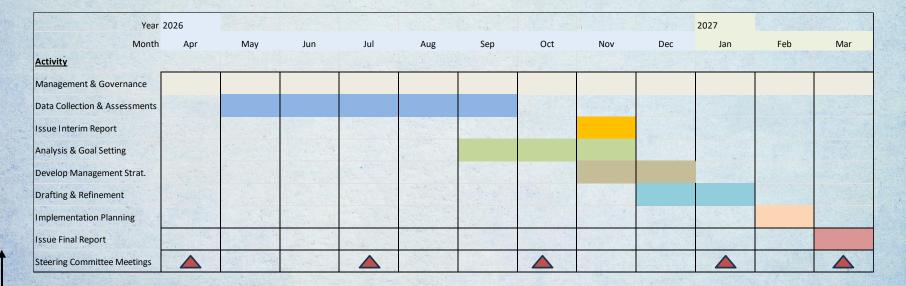
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The work will proceed in six phases – Timeline



The timeline is designed to coincide with the workable field season over 2026.



We are here today. We need to have the proposal (including budget, partnership agreements, project scope) all finalized by August 2025 to meet funding requirements.

The CLMP has four major deliverables.



- Comprehensive Lake Management Plan (CLMP) A detailed and actionable guide for restoring and maintaining the health of Moira Lake
 - Baseline data about the lake
 - Water quality
 - Fisheries
 - Vegetation
 - Wildlife
 - Shoreline condition
 - Septic practices
 - Recreation
 - Lake Health Quality Index.
 - Maps and Visual Data Outputs
 - Management actions
 - Implementation and monitoring plan
- 2. Co-Developed Frameworks and Methodologies
- 3. Community Outreach and Education Materials
- 4. Economic Assessment?

Proposed CLMP Program Organization



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CLMP Steering Committee

MLPOA

1st Nations
Provincial Ministries
Municipality
Conservation Authority
Lake Residents
Other Advisors

Project Manager

Scientific & TEK Advisor

Outreach Team

Economic Team?

Recreational Team

Septic Team

Water Quality Team

Fisheries Team

Vegetation Team

Shoreline Team

Wildlife Team

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Anticipated Outcomes - the CLMP will deliver the following results.



- A Comprehensive Understanding of Moira Lake: Data-driven insights into the lake's current ecological condition and key challenges.
- 2. Prioritized Restoration and Implementation Goals: A clear and actionable plan to guide remediation and conservation efforts.
- 3. Stakeholder Alignment: A shared vision among community members, Indigenous groups, conservation authorities and other stakeholders for protecting the lake.
- 4. A Roadmap for Adaptive Management and Implementation: A detailed plan for executing future actions, supported by robust monitoring protocols to track progress and ensure sustainability.

Contacts



If you'd like to be involved in this project, we'd love to hear from you!

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