

Hello LSLPC Members,

The treatment plan for lily pads will be this week - WEATHER PERMITTING. The scheduled date is WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 28 in the morning. There will be the red posters put out on Monday/Tuesday that will announce the treatment. The legally required yellow posters will only be posted when the treatment has actually been done. The yellow posters will also contain the official restrictions for this treatment.

The current forecast for Wednesday shows some higher than acceptable winds for the treatment. Therefore, the treatment could easily move to Thursday. The basic restrictions are NO Swimming, NO Boating, NO pets in the water on the day of the treatment. There will normally be a restriction on irrigation use for three days from the treatment - if you are still using lake water for irrigation, please check the yellow poster for confirmation of the irrigation restrictions.

This is the most temperamental and difficult treatment that we attempt. The success rate is lower than the other treatments and most often the issue is that the chemical treatment must be applied directly on the leaves on the surface and the treatment needs to soak in and not be washed off by wave action.

In addition, this treatment is highly limited by the State of Michigan due to the lily pad being considered a native and beneficial aquatic weed. Do not shoot the messenger, just letting you know the facts. For this reason, we must follow the rules from the State when doing this process using Special Assessment District funds. **Any lakefront owner can take any legal treatment and use the treatment privately on lily pads in front of their house. The SAD is limited to doing 40x40 boxes in front of occupied dwellings where the egress for recreation is impaired. If you have two or three boxes worth of lily pads in front of your swimming area or dock, then we can still only treat one 40x40 box in front of your house.**

We have the largest amount of treatment areas ever proposed this year's treatment. However, this quantity of treatment boxes is still maybe one out of three people might wish to have treated. The Engineering professionals used their surveys earlier this summer and some additional input from my personal survey earlier this month. The treatment will cover almost all areas of the lake where there are lily pads and occupied lakefront dwellings. Therefore, do not expect any treatment between the island near North Shores and Dog Park. However, we are targeting homes along the shoreline in that area. We are targeting some of the lily pads on the Shores of Baypointe area by Union Lake Road, but we cannot hit areas that are due east of the island (only some along in front of the homes inside the island). Please let your HOA members know that, we have to comply with State rules and we just cannot treat everything that everybody wants or thinks should be treated.

Please let me know if you have questions and please spread the word on this treatment.

Regards, John

