HUBBARD COUNTY AIS TASK FORCE 2013 PROJECT PLAN

2013 GOAL: FOCUS EFFORT ON AQUATIC INVASIVE (AIS) SPECIES PREVENTION

APPROACH: PARTNERS -- HC AIS TASK FORCE, HC COLA AIS COMMITTEE, AND DNR

KEY INITIATIVES:

1. EXPAND LGU WATERCRAFT INSPECTION PROGRAM

- TARGET 6000 HOURS OF INSPECTION (VS 4700 IN 2012) --- MAY THROUGH SEPT
- > EXPAND HOURS PER LAKE & INCLUDE MORE LAKES...NEED CROW WING CHAIN PARTICIPATION--ON GOING EFFORT/ MAY
- RAISE \$95K FROM LAKE ASSOCIATIONS AND TOWNSHIPS (\$65K LA's,\$30K TWPS/CITIES) MAY 1
- AQUIRE DNR LGU GRANTS --- APP- JAN; AWARD- MARCH; STAFFED- MAY
- FINAL REPORT NOV; MONTHLY REPORTS AS NEEDED FOR LAKE ASSOCIATIONS AND TWPS

II. ACHIEVE COUNTY COMMISSIONER COMMITMENT OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES

- > CURRENT SUPPORT IS LIMITED TO RESOLUTION TO FORM AIS TASK FORCE
- > APPROVE AIS COORDINATOR POSITION FOR COUNTY (SHARED RESOURCE WITH SWCD --\$35K PER YEAR)
- WORK TOWARD LONG TERM SUSTAINABLE FUNDING (STATE AND/OR COUNTY) --ON GOING

III. EXPAND ENGAGEMENT OF RESORT/CAMPGROUND OWNERS IN INSPECTION AND CLEANING OF WATERCRAFT OF GUESTS

- EXPAND LSP/RESORT SPECIFIC TRAINING TO 90% OF RESORT OWNERS (*25% IN 2012) -- MAY; ON GOING
- ➤ WORK WITH RESORTS TO HAVE A "CLEAN BOAT" PLAN FOR ALL GUESTS (ARRIVE CLEAN, INSPECT, CLEAN) -- ON GOING
- WORK WITH RESORTS TO INSTALL PRESSURE WASH STATIONS IF THEY HAVE A LAUNCH SITE --ONGOING

IV. INSTALL DECONTAMINATION/WASH STATIONS IN HUBBARD COUNTY

- > AQUIRE FUNDING FOR 3 "SMALL" STATIONS (\$7.5K) -- APRIL
- > IDENTIFY LOCATIONS -- APRIL
- > DEVELOP OPERATION PLAN AND STAFFING STRATEGY-- MAY
- > COMMUNICATE TO RESORTS AND PUBLIC -- MAY

V. DEVELOP AN AIS RAPID RESPONSE PLAN FOR HUBBARD COUNTY

- REVIEW DNR PLAN WHEN ISSUED (MAY)
- EXPAND PLAN TO COVER ALL STAKEHOLDERS IN HUBBARD COUNTY
- > DRAFT PLAN -- AUGUST
- > REVIEW PLAN WITH TASK FORCE AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
- > ISSUE PLAN -- NOVEMBER

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