



**Wapogasset/Bear Trap Lake Improvement Association
Healthy Lakes Program 2023**

HEALTHY LAKES PARTICIPATION PLEDGE AND GRANT SUBMITTAL

I/we _____ pledge to participate in Wisconsin’s Healthy Lakes initiative. More property owners implementing the suggested best practices over time may eventually add up to significant success and healthier lakes for current and future generations.

I/We pledge to work with DNR Lake Protection Grant sponsor **Wapogasset/Bear Trap Lake Improvement Association** to install the following best practice(s) to restore fish and wildlife lakeshore habitat and/or prevent storm water runoff and erosion.

(Please review the accompanying Wisconsin’s Healthy Lakes Program information and check practices to be installed on the property)

- 350 square feet native plantings
- Rain garden
- Diversion practice(s)
- Infiltration practice(s)
- Fish Sticks

I/We understand that by signing this Pledge I/we am/are indicating a strong interest to follow through with a Healthy Lakes project on my/our property, but this is not a legal requirement to do so.

Describe Personal Participation Goal (optional):

LANDOWNER INFORMATION

NAME OF LANDOWNER(S) (Whether Individual, Corporation, Trust, Estate, or Partnership)	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	EMAIL ADDRESS
HOME ADDRESS	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE
WAPOGASSET/BEAR TRAP LAKE PROPERTY ADDRESS or LEGAL DESCRIPTION	**POLK COUNTY PARCEL NUMBER**

SIGNATURE OF LANDOWNER(S)

DATE



The property owner agrees to include the following in grant submittal:

- Signed Healthy Lake Participation Pledge.
- Project Drawings and description (as detailed as possible). All projects must comply with Local Shoreline Zoning Ordinance.
- Itemized Project Cost Estimate (segregating the costs specific to each Best Practice that funding is being requested for – see Best Practice Resource documents). **Costs incurred before the Grant Agreement and Landowner Commitment Contract are signed are not eligible for reimbursement.**
- For Native Plantings: type and number of plants; planted area dimension (must be at least 350 square feet total and 10' in width to be eligible) including length of shoreline put into a native planting.
- For Rain Garden: dimensional area, volume of water infiltrated, type and number of plants.
- For Diversion Practices: type and size of area being served by construction of the diversion practice. Please note that removing an ice ridge or placing rip rap on the shoreline are NOT Best Practices.
- For Infiltration Practice: type and volume of water infiltrated.
- For Fish Sticks: number of fish stick clusters with number of trees per cluster. See DNR Regulatory Information.
- Return all requested information to Healthy Lakes Committee member by 7/31/2022.**

The Wapogasset/Bear Trap Lake Improvement Association agrees to the following in grant submittal:

- Compile and submit Grant Application on behalf of participating property owners.
- Maintain project records as required.

The property owner agrees to provide the following if selected for funding:

- Signed Standard 10-year Conservation Commitment Contract, which describes that the best practice(s) must remain in place for that timeframe.
- Pre- and Post-project installation photographs.
- All receipts for eligible project costs, including Landowner Labor tracking form (if applicable). Owner match will be credited toward the project at \$12/hour, up to 20 hours per project (or current DNR published rates).
- Access for final site visit and verification by Lake Association Healthy Lakes committee.
- Self-reporting, monitoring, or DNR site visit may occur based on DNR audit and reporting requirements.

The Wapogasset/Bear Trap Lake Improvement Association agrees to the following if selected for funding:

- Compile and submit project documentation as required by the Grant Agreement on behalf of participating property owners.
- Distribute any applicable project reimbursement received per the Grant Agreement to the participating property owner.
- Maintain project records as required by the Grant Agreement.
- Publish Annual Report on Healthy Lakes Projects