



## ACTIVE PROJECT SUMMARY

*The Mille Lacs lake Watershed Management Group has set the following goals and action steps as priorities for implementation. These are based on the 10 Year Plan 2017 - 2027.*

Last Update: June 23, 2021

### **PRIORITY 1. IMPLEMENT THE COMPASS PROGRAM AND OTHER PROJECTS TO REDUCE PHOSPHORUS/NUTRIENT ENRICHMENT, CONTAMINANTS SUCH AS CHLORIDE, AND AIS.**

**Project: Participate in Rum River One Watershed, One Plan development**  
Plan is expected to be ready for review in fall, 2021

**Project: AIS grant**

Grant request has been approved; planning and implementation underway.

**Project: Stop Spiny Campaign**

Educational campaign to engage Mille Lacs boaters in cleaning effort.

**Get the Lead Out**

Participate in a statewide effort to reduce the use of lead tackle.

### **PRIORITY 2. DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A MARKETING AND EDUCATION PLAN.**

**Project: Healthy Land, Healthy Lake Conference**

The annual outreach and educational effort to engage watershed residents in steps they can take to improve water quality. Tentatively looking at September 18 for live event; may include online sessions.

**Project: MLLWMG Topics**

Ongoing series of short, informative written pieces addressing different aspects of watershed health.

**Project: Community event presence**

Participation in selected community events for outreach and education.

**Project: Outreach to lake associations and resorts**

Connecting with area groups interested in watershed health

**PRIORITY 3. MONITOR, ANALYZE, and CONSOLIDATE WATER QUALITY DATA.**

**Project: Survey current monitoring activity**

Provide an overview of what scientific data is being collected and interpreted.

**Project: Create a summary of trends revealed in MLBO DNR data for posting to site and use as a Topic of the Month.**

Make data about the health of Mille Lacs waters available to the public.

**PRIORITY 4. ORGANIZATION**

**Project: Create “Annual Report” for MLLWMG to capture outcomes on an annual basis.**

Capture and summarize organizational activities to maintain a record of the groups activities over time.

**Project: Identify potential funding sources**

Establish a set of resources that can support the group’s projects; apply for grants as appropriate