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| State of Wisconsin DNRDepartment of Natural ResourcesWater Permit Central Intake – attn. APMPO Box 7185Madison, WI 53707-7185 | Mechanical Aquatic Plant Control Permit  |
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| **Permit Number:** SE-2021-30-10937M |  |
| **Waterbody # (WBIC):** 759800 |  |
| **Permit Name:** George Lake Harvesting Permit |  |
| **Permit Expiration Date:** 12/31/2024 |
| **Waterbody Name:** George Lake |  |
| **Waterbody Address:** 18709 102nd Street, Bristol, WI |  |
| **Fee Received:** 300 |  |
| **Permit Number:** SE-2021-30-10937M |  |
| *Advanced Notification of Harvesting is required* |  |

**GENERAL STATEMENTS AND CONDITIONS:**

The Department has received and reviewed your application to mechanically remove aquatic plants in George Lake, Kenosha County. Aspects of this permit may not be changed. Please go to this web address: <https://permits.dnr.wi.gov/water/SitePages/Permit%20Search.aspx> to search for and download the permit documents. Your permit application meets the minimum requirements by law and a permit is being issued with the following conditions.

* You shall follow the harvesting plan outlined in the 2020 George Lake Aquatic Plant Management Plan Update, the Plan Update Map Figure A-5, the 5/12/2021 Updated harvesting map included in the application materials, the permit application, permit, and permit conditions. Any changes to the permitted activity or Department approved management plan will require an additional permit from the Department.
* The treatment notification protocols, treatment plan, and reporting protocols shall be performed in compliance with Wisconsin Administrative code chapter NR 109. Noncompliance with the permit can result in enforcement actions under State Statute 23, 30 and 31 and restriction of aquatic plant management activities for subsequent years under Wisconsin Administrative code chapter NR 109. The conditions and treatment plan are required to be followed to ensure efficacy of the treatment.
* You shall notify Craig Helker of the Department of Natural Resources at 414-550-2970 or craig.helker@wisconsin.gov at least 4 business days before harvesting with the date and time of the proposed harvesting.
* You shall harvest in a manner to minimize accidental capture of fish. Game fish accidentally captured shall be released immediately. Attempts should be made to release all other species.
* You shall release all turtles captured during harvesting operations.
* You shall have a paper or electronic copy of this cover letter, permit, and permit map with the individual conducting the harvesting during all associated harvesting events.
* You shall submit an annual report with a detailed map of harvest areas, total acres harvested, total time spent harvesting and aquatic plant material removed by weight (unit), volume (unit) and species – including by-catch, within 30 days of the last treatment to DNR APM Program.
* The approval of an aquatic plant management permit does not represent an endorsement of the permitted activity, but represents that the applicant has complied with all criteria of this chapter.

**SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:**

* You shall decontaminate all project equipment used in the waterbody to minimize transport of aquatic invasive species (AIS) immediately after each use on the project site. You shall utilize best management practices: <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/Invasives/bmp.html>. You shall comply with all provisions in State Statute 23 and Wis. Adm Code NR 40. For further information, please refer to the following: <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/invasives/classification.html>.
* Disposal of the harvested aquatic plants must be located in the areas specified in the permit application and must be is accordance with any applicable county and local regulations. Plant material may not be placed in a wetland, below the ordinary high-water mark of any waterway, or in a floodplain or floodway.
* You shall only harvest in the areas denoted on the Application Map, updated 5/12/2021. Additional harvesting outside of these areas must receive written approval from the Department.
* You shall not harvest in waters less than 3-feet in depth.

If you have any questions or concerns, I can be reached at 414-550-2970 or by email at Craig.Helker@wisconsin.gov

State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the Secretary

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| By: Helker, Craig D | 5/12/2021 | 5/12/2021 |
| Water Resources Biologist | Date Signed | Date Mailed |

**Please Note:**
If you believe that you have a right to challenge this decision, you should know that Wisconsin statutes and administrative rules establish time periods within which requests to review Department decisions must be filed. For judicial review of a decision pursuant to ss. 227.52 and 227.53, Wis. Stats., you have 30 days after the decision is mailed or otherwise served by the Department, to file your petition with the appropriate circuit court and serve the petition on the Department. Such a petition for judicial review shall name the Department of Natural Resources as the respondent. This notice is provided pursuant to s. 227.48(2), Wis. Stats. To request a contested case hearing pursuant to s. 227.42, Wis. Stats., you have 30 days after the decision is mailed, or otherwise served by the Department, to serve a petition for hearing on the Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources. The filing of a request for a contested case hearing is not a prerequisite for judicial review and does not extend the 30-day period for filing a petition for judicial review.