



Lake Lansing Special Assessment District Advisory Committee Newsletter

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Lake Lansing Special Assessment District Advisory Committee

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For the latest updates, be sure to check www.lakelansing.org and meridian.mi.us/government/boards-and-commissions/lake-lansing-advisory-committee

Nuisance Aquatic Plant Control Update

Aquatic herbicides were applied to Lake Lansing on May 20, targeting the non-native plants curly-leaf pondweed and Eurasian milfoil. A follow-up survey is scheduled for mid-June to evaluate treatment effectiveness and to map additional areas of nuisance plant growth. If warranted, additional treatments will be scheduled based on the type, density, and distribution of plants found during the survey. Mechanical harvesting is tentatively scheduled for the week of June 21. You can find the latest updates at lakelansing.org and meridian.mi.us/government/boards-and-commissions/lake-lansing-advisory-committee

Drain Project Update

Jackson Dirt Works is in the process of installing the last of the underground storm sewer for the Nemoka Drain project. Asphalt work is expected to begin Wednesday, June 9th on Colby Street, Edson Street, Lake Lansing Road, Potter Street, and Shaw Street. The work will include pulverizing and paving, surface milling and paving, and top course paving. Paving should be complete before the end of June, with shoulder work as well as driveway and landscape restoration to follow. Tree replacement throughout the project area will most likely take place in the early fall when growing conditions are more advantageous. The detention area between Edson and Potter Streets (just north of Haslett Road) will be left partially complete until we can successfully eradicate Japanese Knotweed in this area. Only then can we complete the earth excavation for the detention area and remove excess material from the site. If you have any concerns or questions regarding this work, please contact Dave Solberg, Ingham County Project Coordinator (517-719-4898) or Greg Lamkin, Resident Project Representative, LSG Engineers & Surveyors (517-393-2902, ext. 227).

Become a Shoreland Steward! Take the Survey at mishorelandstewards.org

The Michigan Shoreland Stewards program provides information on the do's and don'ts of proper shoreland management. On their website, lake residents begin by filling out a questionnaire about all aspects of their property and their use of it. Based on answers to the survey questions, the website then provides many tips and suggestions about ways to reduce runoff and pollution inputs. Lake residents can make improvements to their property, retake the survey, and improve their score. Even if you don't have frontage on Lake Lansing, runoff from your property finds its way to the lake. Tier 2 residents live in the watershed and should also take the survey.

www.mishorelandstewards.org

For more information

lakelansing.org

meridian.mi.us/government/boards-and-commissions/lake-lansing-advisory-committee

mishorelinepartnership.org

michiganlakeinfo.com



10 Things You Can Do

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1. Take the Shoreland Steward survey at mishorelandstewards.org.
2. When the time comes, replace your old, crumbling seawall with a bio-engineered one.
3. Always pick up pet waste.
4. To reduce runoff to Lake Lansing, minimize the area of your lot that contains buildings, patios, driveways, parking areas, or other impervious surfaces; hard surfaces promote runoff to the lake. Use porous pavement or other permeable materials where possible.
5. Repair eroding areas in your yard.
6. Where possible, promote infiltration of stormwater into the ground. Build a rain garden to capture runoff from driveways and downspouts.
7. Water the lawn sparingly to avoid washing nutrients and sediments into the lake.
8. To provide habitat for fish and wildlife—and to discourage Canada geese!—replace some lawn with trees, shrubs, flowers, and native grasses, especially along the shoreline.
9. Don't burn leaves or brush near shore; the ash carries nutrients that stimulate weed growth in the lake.
10. Become a Shoreland Steward today!

