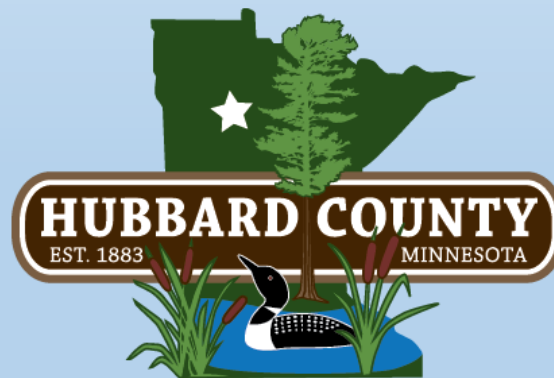


# 2021 Hubbard County Watercraft Inspection Program

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# Overview

- AIS Infested Waters updates
- Where we are at for 2021
- Decontamination Station Update
- Community Outreach Efforts
- Funding Updates
- Schedule Updates



# AIS Infested Waters Updates

- **2020**
  - **Big Mantrap** – Eurasian watermilfoil
  - **Boulder** – Faucet Snail
  - **Long** – Zebra Mussel



# Where we are at: 2021

- Completed DNR Level 1 Online Training a week prior to Fishing Opener
  - 45 – Level 1 Inspectors
- Inspector Mentor Day for new inspectors – May 14<sup>th</sup>
- 29 accesses on 27 waterbodies covered on Fishing Opener
- 35 accesses on 33 waterbodies covered over Memorial Day Weekend

# Decontamination Station

- Hubbard County FREE Decontamination Station – **Open!**
  - Located between Detail Shop and Transfer Station
  - By appointment 7 days a week: **218-252-6738**
    - 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Level 2 inspectors
  - 4 certified Level 2 Inspectors



# Community Outreach

- Radio PSA/Ads on KDKK, KXKK, KPRM
- Bait bags with AIS messaging
  - Distributed 18,000 bags to local Hubbard Co. bait shops prior to Fishing Opener
- HCCOLA Partnerships
  - Billboard on US 71
  - Movie Theatre Ad (from 2020 delayed due to COVID-19 closures)
  - Starry Trek – August 21<sup>st</sup>



# Funding: Things to Note

- **Lake Association Supplemental Funding**
  - 2021: \$110,003 from Lake Associations
- **Township/City Supplemental Funding**
  - 2021: \$49,976 from townships/cities
- **Supplemental Funding Total**
  - \$159,979
  - 7618 hours



# Schedule

- 35 Boat Launches on 33 Lakes in Hubbard County
- 15,204 scheduled inspection hours
- Shifts scheduled heavily on weekends and Holidays
- Busiest accesses scheduled during weekdays too
- Schedule posted on Hubbard County AIS Webpage





# Questions?

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