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From The HC COLA President – Sharon Natzel

Happy New Year 2021!
You can help make it an even better year by providing your important input on the opportunities highlighted in the articles in this January 2021 E-Newsletter.

One opportunity, for example, is taking some time to provide your thoughtful ideas on the DNR survey about your recreational boating experiences in 2020. It has some good questions about kayaks/paddleboards, wave boats, and jet skis as well as what is needed at public accesses. The research will help influence policies as the DNR explains. Plus they have hired an outside research company to collect the surveys and our responses will remain confidential.

Please be sure to share the HC COLA E-Newsletter with your lake association members and friends who live on lakes without a formal lake association! We are looking forward to collaborating with you as we live our HC COLA mission and accomplish our plans together for 2021!
2021 Watercraft Inspection Supplemental Funding – Due at the County by 1/31/2021

The 2021 Watercraft Inspection Supplemental Funding Letters with the details of the program for Lake Associations, townships/cities are on the County Website. The deadline is 1/31/2021 for any additional watercraft inspection supplemental funding above the MN State Hours allocated by the County. Contact Nick Macklem, Hubbard County Environmental Services, Environmental Specialist if you have questions 218-732-2376.

Hubbard County Shoreland Management Ordinance and Short Term Rental (STR) Opportunities

You can provide your input by phone to the Hubbard County Environmental Services Planning Commission on Short Term Rental considerations for the Hubbard County Shoreland Management Ordinance on January 25th at 6 PM, just as several STR parties did at the Dec. monthly mtg during the public comment period (up to 3 mins ea.)

The HC COLA team provided our 1st written comment letter in Dec. The Planning Commission (PC) is still working on their draft yet. HC COLA will be providing another comment letter for the Jan Monthly PC mtg.

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HC COLA Members’ Information & Newsletters to Share

Enjoy this newsletter from our member lake association – we can learn from each other. Please share yours too; send to hccolamn@gmail.com.

- **Big Mantrap Lake Association - The Aerie - Dec 2020 Newsletter**

- **Big Sand Lake Association – Winter 2020**

- **Congratulations to the Steamboat Lake Association, Inc!!**

The **Steamboat Lake Association Inc.** received their **Certificate of Incorporation from the MN Secretary of State** in **Dec 2020**!
Hello,

Help improve boating opportunities by completing a survey about your 2020 boating experience. This is your opportunity to tell us about your boating activities, any issues encountered on the water, and share your opinion about the future of boating in Minnesota. We will use this research to make decisions about boating investments and policies.

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The Formation of MN COLA from a Hubbard County COLA Perspective By Dan Kittilson

As Minnesota Coalition of Lake Associations (MN COLA) first president and the President of Hubbard County COLA during the formation of MN COLA, I was asked by Sharon Natzel to share my insight and perspective about HC COLA’s involvement in the formation of MN COLA.

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MN Coalition of Lake Associations (MN COLA) takes on Statewide Issues By Tom Nelson

MN COLA traces its origins to 2010 when a need was recognized among individual County COLAs and Lake/River Associations for an organization to network and collaborate on a statewide level, ensuring that their voice...

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Hubbard County COLA

Hubbard County Coalition of Lake Associations (HC COLA) is the Leader in Protecting Hubbard County Lakes and Rivers.

Our mission is to protect and enhance the quality of our lakes and rivers, preserve the economic, recreational and natural environmental values of our shorelands and promote the responsible use of our waters and related habitats. Hubbard County COLA’s mission enhances, promotes and protects the interests of lakeshore property owners, lake associations, local government, the general public and future generations.

Hubbard County COLA formed in 1988. HC COLA currently has a membership of 30 lake associations representing 42 lakes with over 2500 members. HC COLA is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) organization.

Lakes Represented In HC COLA
Bad Axe · Belle Taine · Big Mantrap · Big Sand · Blue · Boulder · Crow Wing Lower · Crow Wing 5th/6th/7th · Crow Wing 8th/9th · Crow Wing 10th/11th · Duck · Eagle-Island · Emma-Stocking-Bottle · Fish Hook L&R Association · Garfield · Gilmore · Ham Lake · Hinds Lake · Kabekona · Little Sand · Long Lake · Palmer · Plantagenet · Portage · Potato · South Island · Spider · Stony · Tripp · Twin Lakes

HC COLA Board of Directors
The HC COLA Board of Directors is made up of one designated "HC COLA Representative" from each member Lake Association.

HC COLA Officers
President: Sharon Natzel, Long Lake
Vice President: (seeking candidate volunteers) candidate email
Secretary: Keith Minkel, Gilmore Lake
Treasurer: Steve Hall, Boulder Lake
Immediate Past President: Lynn Goodrich, Tripp Lake

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