Welcome to the Meeting



FLOW AIS Highlights

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Background

- Program started in May of 2021- Forest, Langlade, Oconto
 - Added Marinette later
- Citizens Lake Monitoring Network Coordinator
- Clean Boats Clean Waters Coordinator
- Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol
- Snapshot Day and Project RED Coordinator
- Early Detection Response and AIS Monitoring
- Surface water grant projects and grant assistance
- Education outreach
- Lumberjack specific work
- Try to attend as many county lakes meetings as possible



CBCW and CLMN

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- Average 4-6 trainings a year
- Online on-demand training
- Assisted EFB techs
- Assisted with Boater Behavior Survey



CLMN

- Main point of contact for Marinette and Oconto County
- Clarity and chemistry trainings
- D.O. trainings
- AIS monitoring trainings
- Field data questions















Purple Loosestrife Biocontrol

- Started with 30 plants in 2022
- Grew to a 4 group collaboration with 135 plants for seven counties
- Assist WHIP with WPS contracted work in Lincoln County
- Raising host PL plants for starter beetles
- Collect starter beetles
- Place starter beetles in cage for repopulation
- Disperse cage beetles to wild sites













Snapshot Day and Project RED

Snapshot Day

- 2 modified events in Forest
- 2 in Langlade
- 1 in Oconto*
- 1 in Marinette
- *Continue to assist each year
- *Held education events for the day

Project RED

• 1 Event in Langlade









AIS Monitoring

- Verify new AIS findings
- Monitor for original extent
- Work with biologists and lake organizations on next steps
- Reports or assistance in each county













Special Grant Projects

- Butterfly Dock Monitoring Project with TIP
- European Frog-Bit Surface Water Grant
- Lumberjack Purple Loosestrife Grant
- Resort Owner Outreach Surface Water Grant















Education and Outreach

School Events

- Fairview and Saint Anthonys
- Several Langlade County schools
- Marinette environmental days
- FCAL environmental field days
- Marinette High School
- Kentuck Days Booth
- Presentations at lake meetings



Other Things I've Done

- European Frogbit Collaborative
- UMISC aquatic sub planning committee- 2024
 - Lead field trip in 2022- European Frogbit
- Lakes and Rivers Convention planning team-2026
 - Presentation in 2024- Resort Owner outreach Project
- Resource for younger or newer AIS Coordinators
 - Presentation at AIS Partnership Meeting 2025

Thank you

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