



## Wapogasset/Bear Trap Lake Improvement Association Healthy Lakes Program 2023

Dear WBT Lakeshore Property Owner,

Wisconsin's Healthy Lakes Program provides the opportunity for the Lake Association to apply for a grant on behalf of waterfront landowners to install relatively simple and inexpensive Best Practices benefiting habitat and water quality.

We started our Healthy Lakes Program in 2020, and since then, the Lake Association and participating landowners have been awarded close to \$10,000 to help support Best Practice Projects.

For 2023, we will continue our Healthy Lakes Program and would like to expand it with more landowner participation.

**If you are contemplating an upcoming 2023 landscaping or other project, we ask that you consider working with the Lake Association Healthy Lakes Committee to apply for possible reimbursement of part of your project costs.**

**Best Practices** include (please review attached Healthy-Lakes-Get-Started-Brochure.pdf and the links below for details):

- 350 square feet native plantings
- Rain garden
- Diversion practice(s)
- Infiltration practice(s)
- Fish Sticks

To get started:

Please review the Healthy Lakes Brochure and the links below, then complete the WBT Healthy Lakes Program 2023 Pledge Form. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact one of your WBT Lake Association Healthy Lakes Committee members.

**Please submit your Participation Pledge form to one of the contacts below by July 31, 2022.**

This provides us enough time to compile all of the materials and work with the DNR to review our submission.

Additional Program information:

- State funding for each Best Practice is 75% of total costs, capped at \$1000, and the total grant award for the Lake Association is capped at \$25,000.
- Multiple best practices can be included per landowner; however, costs for each best practice must be separated. **Costs incurred before the Grant Agreement and Landowner Commitment Contract are signed are not eligible for reimbursement.**



## **WBT Healthy Lakes Program 2023: Best Practice Resources and Links**

**Healthy Lakes website:** <http://healthylakeswi.com>

**Healthy Lakes Program Details:** [https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/WI\\_Healthy\\_Lakes\\_Implementation\\_Plan.pdf](https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/WI_Healthy_Lakes_Implementation_Plan.pdf)

**Surface Water Grants website:** <http://dnr.wi.gov/aid/surfacewater.html>

**Frequently Asked Questions Fact Sheet:** <https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/Healthy-Lakes-Frequently-Asked-Questions.pdf>

### **Native Plantings**

**Fact Sheet:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2019/02/NativePlantings-HealthyLakesFactSheetSeries.pdf>

**Technical Guidance:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/files/2017/11/Healthy-Lakes-350ft2-Native-Planting-Technical-Guidance.pdf>

### **Rain Garden**

**Fact Sheet:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2019/02/RainGarden-HealthyLakesFactSheetSeries-1.pdf>

**Technical Guidance:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/Healthy-Lakes-Rain-Garden-Technical-Guidance.pdf>

### **Diversion**

**Fact Sheet:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2019/02/Diversion-HealthyLakesFactSheetSeries.pdf>

**Technical Guidance:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/Healthy-Lakes-Diversion-Rock-Infiltration-Technical-Guidance.pdf>

### **Rock Infiltration**

**Fact Sheet:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2019/02/RockInfiltration-HealthyLakesFactSheetSeries.pdf>

**Technical Guidance:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/Healthy-Lakes-Diversion-Rock-Infiltration-Technical-Guidance.pdf>



## **Fish Sticks**

### **Fact Sheet:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2019/02/FishSticks-HealthyLakesFactSheetSeries.pdf>

### **Technical Guidance:**

<https://healthylakeswi.com/wp-content/blogs.dir/16/files/2016/03/Healthy-Lakes-Fish-Sticks-Technical-Guidance.pdf>

### **Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Requirements:**

<https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/outreach/fishsticks.html>

## **MORE LINKS:**

### **Wisconsin DNR Resources for Waterfront Property Owners**

<https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/ShorelandZoning/Care/explore.html>

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