

Minutes of Meeting
Coeur d'Alene Lake Management Plan (LMP)
April 30, 2019
11:00 a.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda item. Also present was Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Representative Jamie Brunner and Kootenai County Resident Jim Stafford.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business:**

Coeur d'Alene Lake Management Plan Update with Coordinator Jamie Brunner
(Discussion)

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Representative Jamie Brunner provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Commissioners detailing the Coeur d'Alene Lake Management Plan update. She displayed a map of the drainage basin of the Coeur d'Alene watershed and reviewed the changes in land use from 1880 to the present. She reminded the Board of the contaminants that entered the system due to mining, which still cause problems today. Ms. Brunner outlined different areas that had been targeted by cleanup operations.

Ms. Brunner stated that the CDA Lake Management Plan's goal was to manage nutrient inputs from the watershed and metals found in lakebed sediments. She explained the cycle by which buried contaminants could be released into the water, endangering wildlife and people. She listed their goals:

- Improve scientific understanding of lake conditions through monitoring, modeling and special studies.
- Establish and strengthen partnerships to maximize benefits of actions under existing regulatory frameworks.
- Develop and implement a nutrient reduction action plan.
- Increase public awareness of lake conditions and influences on water quality.
- Establish funding mechanisms to support the Lake Management Plan goal, objective and strategies.

Ms. Brunner briefly recapped the work the group had completed since 2007, listed the core monitoring locations and the percentages of different contaminants found in each area. She pointed out that phosphorus levels were on the increase, which in turn increased potential for growth of blue-green algae. She also listed different entities with which her group cooperated and their mutual projects.

Ms. Brunner announced a Youth Water Summit to be held May 21, 2019 that would provide a scientific conference for high school students learning about the local watershed through The Confluence Project. She remarked that they were seeking judges to evaluate student projects and encouraged the Commissioners to take an interest.

Ms. Brunner closed with a brief description of her group's plans for the future, including a five-year review of the Lake Management Project and continued coordination with different Basin stakeholders.

D. Public Comment (Discussion): This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County-related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing. There was no public comment.

E. Adjournment (Action): Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
