

**Aquatic Invasive Species
Grant Application
Eurasian Water
Milfoil Project - 2005
Town of Barnes, Bayfield County**



*Eau Claire Lakes from Northeast
(Upper, Middle, Lower Eau Claire Lakes)*

Dave Thorson Photo

**Eau Claire Lakes &
16 Nearby Seepage Lakes
of Bayfield and Douglas Counties**

January 26, 2005

Prepared by: Barnes EWM Ad Hoc Committee

WDNR
AIS Lake Grant Application

Barnes Eurasian Water Milfoil
2005 Project

Eau Claire Lakes & 16 Other Lakes
Town of Barnes - Bayfield Co.
Town of Highland & Gordon - Douglas Co.

Applicant:

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Barnes/Eau Claire Lakes POA, Inc.
Potowatomie POA
Tomahawk & Sandbar Lake lakeshore owners
Eau Claire Lakes Conservation Club
Beauregard Lake POA

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Section I: Application Type

Lake Management Planning Grant

Check one:

Large-scale planning grant

Small-scale planning grant

Check one:

Self-help lake trend monitoring package

Lake education

Organizational development

Other study or assessment, or multiple-purpose project

AIS Grant
 Large Scale

Lake Management Protection Grant

Check one:

Wetland restoration

Ordinance development

Lake improvement

Lake classification

Land or easement acquisition

Section II: Applicant Information

Applicant

Town of Barnes - Bayfield County

Type of Eligible Applicant

County Tribe Other Governmental Unit
 City Sanitary District Non Profit Conservation Organization
 Village Lake District School Districts (Planning)
 Town Lake Association

Lake Name

Eau Claire Lakes (see attached) Total 27 lakes

Size in Acres

4,452

Project County/Township/Section/Range

Bayfield Co & Douglas Co. 44N 45N 9W 10 W (see map)

Authorized Representative Named by Resolution

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Application Type	Date Received	Date Reviewed (LC)	Lake Coordinator Approval / Date
Waterbody ID#	Adequate Public Access <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Environmental Grants Specialist Approval / Date	
Eligible Project <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Eligible Applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Project Priority Rank	
Prior Grant Award(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fiscal Year(s)	Amount Received To Date \$	Project Awarded <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Section III: Project Information

Project Title		Proposed Ending Date	
Other Management Units Around Lake	Letter of Support	Other Management Units Around Lake	Letter of Support
1. Town of Highland - Douglas Co.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4.	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Town of Gordon - Douglas Co.	<input type="checkbox"/>	5.	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	6.	<input type="checkbox"/>

Section IV: Lake Access

Number of Public Vehicle Trailer Parking Spaces Available at Public Access Sites: **All 26 lakes have public access -**
 Number of Public Access Sites on Lake Including Boat Launches and Walk-ins: **10 Have public boat landings with estimated 100 plus parking spaces**

Section V: Cost Estimate and Grant Request

See Part 4 <u>Itemized Expenses</u> for details	Project Costs	
	Column 1 Cash Costs	Column 2 Donated Value
<input type="checkbox"/> Small-scale self-help monitoring package (skip lines 1-13)		
1. Salaries, wages and employee benefits	\$ 18,460	\$ 15,000 vol. + \$ 6,000 cash
2. Consulting services		
3. Purchased services--printing and mailing <small>media advertising, printed materials mailings to landowners</small>	\$1,000	
4. Other purchased services (specify): <small>I&E Sign construction 4 large, 14 small</small>	6,000	
5. Plant material		
6. Supplies (specify) <small>10 CBC W Kits; 3 GPS units; GPS Mapping software; Float Baker, air fills, field notebooks, eq. plant field notes, polar explorer film prints.</small>	3000	
7. Depreciation on equipment		
8. Hourly equipment use charges <small>Boat rental @ \$80/day 3 boats 8 weeks plus fuel costs</small>		6,250
9. State Lab of Hygiene (SLOH) Costs		
10. Non-SLOH Lab Costs		
11. Land or easement acquisition value		
12. Associated acquisition costs		
13. Other (specify) <small>mileage costs</small>	1,500 (mileage)	
14. Subtotals (sum each column)	\$22,040	\$27,350

15. Total Project Cost Estimate (sum of column 1 plus sum of column 2) **\$49,390** Cash contribution toward project by Town of Barab & Lake Org.

16. State Share Requested

- Up to 75% of total costs may be requested, subject to the following maximum grant amounts:
- Large-scale lake planning projects--up to \$10,000
 - Small-scale lake planning projects--up to \$3,000
 - Lake classification and regulation or ordinance development projects--up to \$50,000
 - Lake protection projects (other than lake classification and regulation or ordinance development projects)--up to \$200,000
 - **All \$2,500 per landing up to \$75,000**

Section VI: Attachments (check all that are included)

A. For all applicants:

- 1. Authorizing resolution
- 2. Letters of support (7 letters)
- 3. Map of project location and boundaries (including aerial photos of project area)
- 4. Itemized breakdown of expenses
- 5. For projects that entail sending samples to the State Laboratory of Hygiene (SLOH) only: a completed SLOH Projected Cost Form
- 6. Project scope/description:
 - a. Description of project area
 - b. Description of problem to be addressed by project
 - c. Discussion of project goals and objectives
 - d. Description of methods and activities
 - e. Description of project products or deliverables
 - f. Description of data to be collected, if applicable
 - g. Description of existing and proposed partnerships
 - h. Discussion of role of project in planning and/or management of lake
 - i. Timetable for implementation of key activities
 - j. Plan for sharing project results
 - k. Other information in support of project not described above

B. For applicants that are Lake Management Organizations (LMOs) or Non-profit Conservation Organizations (NCOs):

- 1. For first time applicant LMOs only: A completed Form 8700-226 (Lake Association Organizational Application)
- 2. For first time applicant NCOs only: Copy of IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter and copies of your Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws
- 3. List of national and/or statewide organizations with which you are affiliated
- 4. List of board members' names, including municipality and county of residence. Designate officers
- 5. Documentation of current financial status
- 6. For land or easement acquisition projects: Detailed description of your organization's land management experience
- 7. Brochures, newsletters, annual reports or other information about your organization

C. Wetland Restoration Projects:

- 1. Deed, easement, or land control agreement
- 2. Preliminary engineering plans
- 3. Water regulatory permits

D. Ordinance Development Projects:

- 1. Inventory of applicable existing ordinances
- 2. Description of resources each jurisdiction allocates to enforcement
- 3. Preliminary surveys

E. Lake Improvement Projects:

- 1. Engineering and design plans
- 2. Water regulatory permits

Section VI: Attachments, continued

F. Land or easement acquisition projects:

- 1. DNR Form 1800-1 (Environmental Hazards Assessment Form)
- 2. Legal description of the property
- 3. Project location boundary map
- 4. Property or easement appraisal (if not previously submitted to the Department)
- 5. If escrow closing, the title insurance commitment
- 6. Evidence of compliance with Uniform Relocation Act requirements, if applicable
- 7. Agricultural Impact Statement, if applicable
- 8. Status of acquisition negotiations, including expected time frame for closing
- 9. A land management plan
 - a. Full description of property and conditions
 - b. Description of current and proposed uses of property and adjoining properties
 - c. Management requirements for property
 - d. If roads, piers or grading are proposed, a topographic survey with feature locations, and design cross sections

Section VII: Certification

I certify that information in this application and all its attachments are true and correct and in conformity with applicable Wis. Statutes.

Print/Type Name of Authorized Representative

Title of Authorized Representative

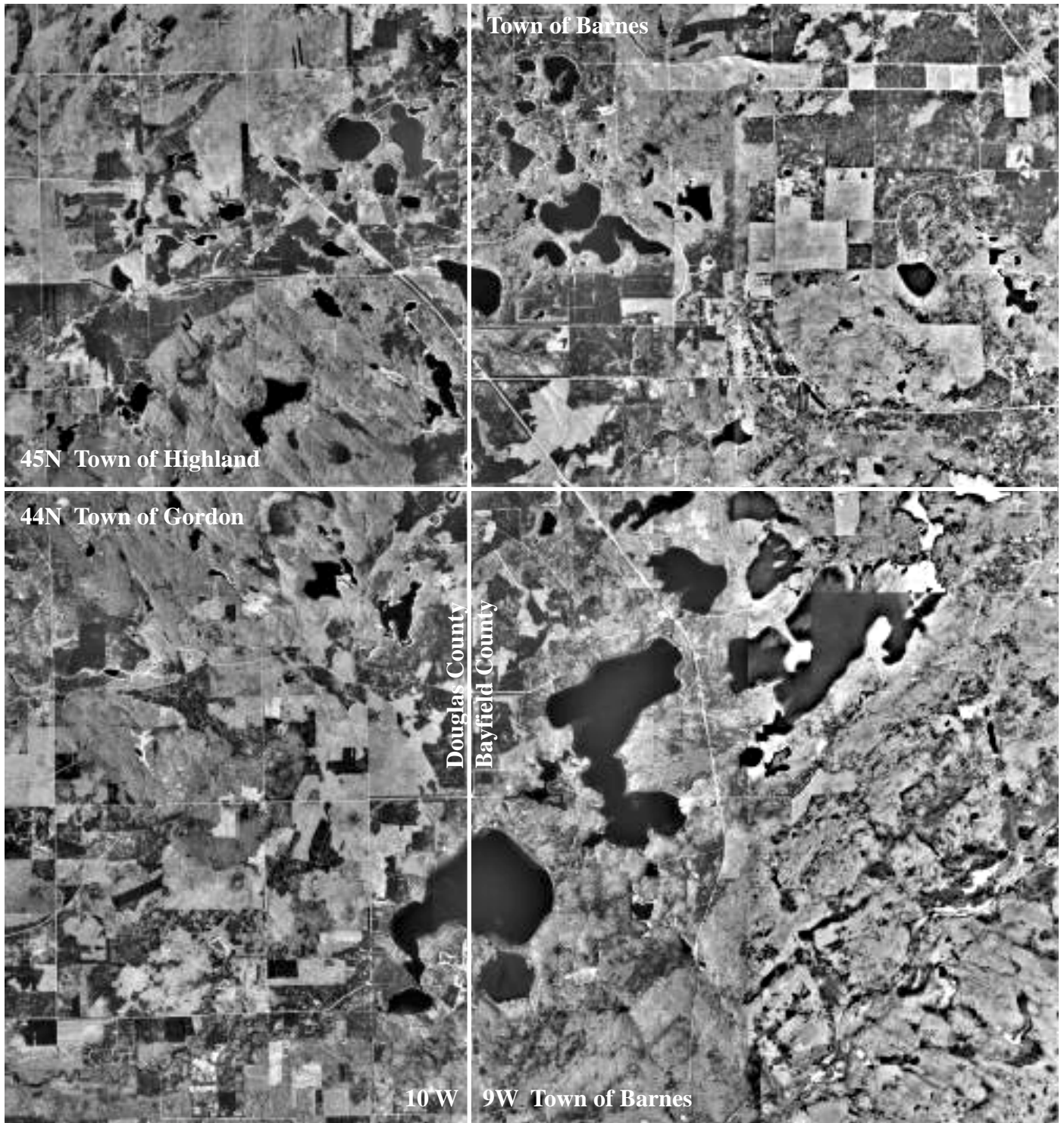
Signature of Authorized Representative

Date Signed

Eau Claire Lake Chain Bayfield Co. & Douglas Co.



**Eau Claire Lakes
Towns of Barnes, Highland, & Gordon
AIS Grant Project Area**



Lake Facts: (see list in report)

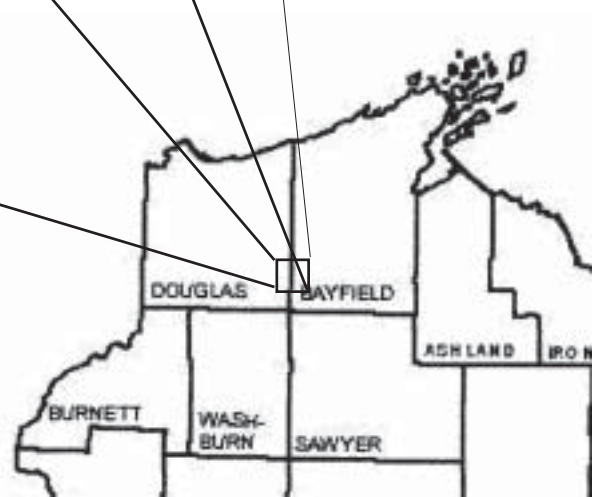
Eau Claire Lakes Chain: 11 Lakes 3482 acres; 44.59 shoreline miles

Barnes & Highland seepage lakes: 16 lakes; 970 acres; 25.57 miles shoreline

Vicinity Map AIS Grant Project Area



Douglas Co. Bayfield Co



Section VI: Attachments

Part 4 - ITEMIZED EXPENSES

	Grant	Contributed	
Goal I: To halt the spread of EWM			
1. 10 "Clean Boats, Clean Water" kits	250		
2. In kind volunteer watercraft inspection: 1000 hours @ \$8		8,000	
3. Project Coordinator	2,000		
Subtotal	2250	8000	<u>\$10,250</u>
Goal II: To develop a comprehensive public information and education program			
1. Signage (6 4x8 signs, 14 4x4 signs, posts, hardware)	6,000		
2. In kind volunteer labor to install signs		1500	
3. Development of PI materials /advertising	1,000		
4. In kind volunteer PR professionals to design program, make Public Service Announcement, and seek out resources (80 hours @ \$8)		\$640	
5. In kind volunteer work to distribute materials: (100 hours @ \$8)		\$800	
6. Project Coordinator	2410		
Subtotal	9410	2940	<u>\$12,350</u>
Goal III: To survey lakes for EWM infestation			
1. 8 deluxe lake rakes @\$98 each (Ben Meadows example plus shipping)	830		
2. In kind volunteer survey work (400 hrs @ \$8)		(3200)	
3. Fill air tanks for scuba divers	250		
4. 10 pairs polarized sunglasses @ \$30	300		
5.. Purchase 3 GPS units @ \$300 & Map Software	1200		
6. Boat fuel & boat rental (contributed) (3 boats – 8 weeks @ \$50/day ea)		(6,000)	
7. Misc Office supplies, field books, copying, etc	250	(250)	
8. 2 field aquatic plant surveyors (320 hrs ea) @ \$10/hr including SS	4,310	(3,000) cash	
9, Project Coordinator	1740	(3,000) cash	
10. Coordinator Support (mileage, SS, supervision, misc)	1,500	960	
Subtotal	10380	16410	<u>\$26790</u>
Totals	<u>Actual</u> <u>\$22040</u> 44.6%	<u>Contributed</u> <u>\$27,350</u> 55.4%	\$49390

Note: Project Planner/Coordinator,Report Writer

This position will be paid \$20 per hour on a part time or contract basis. This position will be the project supervisor with supervisory responsibility for the two person aquatic plant surveyors. The funding for this position has been pro-rated between the three parts of the project. (see 6c Objectives #1 for more information on the responsibilities of this position.

EWM AIS Grant Summary

Applicant: Town of Barnes – Bayfield Co.

<u>Sub-Project Name</u>	<u>Labor</u>	<u>Mat/Equip</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Coord.</u>	<u>Coord Supp</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
1 - Clean Boatd, Clean Waters	8000	250	-	8250	2000		10250	21.8
2 - EWM I & E	2940	6000	1000	9940	2410		12350	26.3
3 - EWM Survey & Report	10510	2830	6500	19840	4740	2460	26790	51.8
Totals	21450	9080	7500	38030	9150	2460	49390	99.9

Costs Summary

Total costs for this project include several funding sources:

Dollars

- the grant,
- Town contributions,
- property owner organizations,
- individuals.

Contributions

- Volunteer labor (for all phases of project)
- Equipment donations by individuals and organizations
- Town oversight and supervision
- Town contribution of office services (copying, etc.)
- Funds management
- Project record keeping

Estimated contribution distribution and percentages.

	Costs	Percentage
Grant	\$22,040	44.6
Cash Contributions	\$ 6,000	12.1
<u>In-kind</u>	<u>\$21,350</u>	<u>43.2</u>
Total	\$49,390	99.9%

Part 6 PROJECT SCOPE/DESCRIPTION

6a. Description of project area: the area included in this grant application includes 27 lakes in the following portions of Bayfield and Douglas Counties: in Bayfield County: T44N, 9W and 45N, 9W. In Douglas County, T44N, R10W, and T45N, R 10W. These lakes and the project area is within the jurisdiction of the Town of Barnes in Bayfield County, and in the Towns of Highland and Gordon in Douglas County.

The lakes in the Eau Claire Chain are drainage or headwater lakes (11 lakes), while all the others are seepage lakes (16 lakes). Six lakes are found entirely or partially in Douglas County.

Lakes included in this project include the following:

ECL Chain of Lakes **Note * identifies lakes with public boat landing**
**** lakes in Douglas Co.**

<u>Lake</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Shoreline Miles</u>
Lower* **	817	6.93
Middle*	902	11.0
Upper*	1030	10.3
Cranberry	130	3.23
Robinson*	90	2.01
Birch	129	2.38
Schunenberg	44	1.57
Smith	31	1.37
Swett (Sweet)	88	2.38
Bony	199	2.61
Devil's	<u>23</u>	<u>.75</u>
	3482 ac.	44.59 mi.
Other lakes in the project area include:		
Tomahawk*	134	2.94
Ellison **	110	1.81
Kelly	56	1.09
Sandbar	118	1.97
Island*	59	1.83
Beauregard* **	93	2.38
Loon* **	33	2.08
Pickerel*	81	2.43
Ole	13	.7
Turtle	22	.79
George	46	1.54
Hay	16	.94
Murray **	43	.95
Breakfast	11	.5
Rock* **	33	2.17
Sand **	<u>101</u>	<u>1.45</u>
	970 ac.	25.57 mi.
Totals for entire project	4452 acera	70.14 shoreline miles

6b. Description of the problem to be addressed by the project:

Tomahawk and Sandbar Lakes were found to have Eurasian water milfoil populations in September of 2004. These lakes are in close proximity to the Eau Claire Lakes, a premier recreational and fishing chain of lakes that are mostly in Bayfield County. A portion of Lower Eau Claire Lake and the chain's outlet is located in Douglas County. There are 11 lakes in the Eau Claire Chain of Lakes, and 16 smaller seepage lakes in the vicinity that are of concern and included in this project proposal. The Eau Claire Lakes are heavily fished for walleye and musky as well as pan fish and there is extensive mobility of fishermen throughout the region. In addition there are nearly 1,200 property owners on the lakes in the Town of Barnes that would be affected by an EWM infestation.

Such an infestation is of concern to the entire community as, if left unchecked, affects owners, lake users, and the boating, fishing, and resort economy of the community.

Therefore, the proposed project addresses the EWM problem through three interrelated and connected efforts:

- 1 - monitor and inspect boats and trailers while informing lake users of the EWM situation.**
- 2 - develop programs for public information and education, so that the probability of additional EWM spread is minimized.**
- 3 - survey the possible infestation of EWM in the lakes of the Eau Claire Lakes/Barnes area so that the extent of the problem is known and control measures may be initiated.**

6c. Project goals and objectives

I. To halt the spread of EWM in the Barnes/Eau Claire Lakes area

- A. Recruit and train volunteers to monitor the ten boat landings on area lakes on the five major holiday weekends and the Barnes Centennial weekend in 2005.
 - a. On the three major lakes (Upper Eau Claire, Middle and Lower) and on the Tomahawk Lake monitor every weekend from the opening of fishing until Labor Day in order to educate boaters and informally inspect watercraft potentially infected with EWM.
 - b. On the six other boat landings, monitor on the 5 major holiday weekends.
 - c. Periodically, monitor all boat landings on weekdays, as volunteers are available.
 - d. Volunteers will be recruited from all participating organizations with emphasis on lake residents being assigned "duty" on their lake.
- B. Gather survey information for the "Clean Boats/Clean Waters" program to document types of boats and their usage on the lakes

II. To develop a comprehensive public information program regarding EWM and its potential impact on local waters.

- A. Design and install informational signage at all boat landings
- B. Develop a public information campaign in all pertinent local and regional media outlets using a group of volunteer area public relations professionals.

III. To: 1 - survey the eleven lakes in the Eau Claire chain for the existence of EWM; and 2 - survey smaller landlocked lakes in the area (see attached inventory protocol

- A. Recruit, equip and train volunteers to assist in lake surveys for EWM.
- B. Collect data from surveys for comprehensive report on EWM in area lakes.
- C. Utilize methodology described in Appendix A or similar methodology approved by WDNR
 - a. Use Tier 1 Survey for all 27 lakes
 - b. Use Tier 2 Survey for 11 Eau Claire Lakes
- D. Collect data on other aquatic plants (species, distribution) to establish baseline status. Create distribution map.
- E. Utilize GPS technology and mapping software for mapping accuracy and record keeping. Should EWM be found GPS allows for easy relocation.

Personnel

- 1 **Hire a coordinator/planner to supervise and facilitate the boat inspection (CBCW) program, the EWM surveys, and the public information program including, but not limited to:** (Note: specific job description to be developed)
 - A Develop EWM inventory plan
 - B Schedule and monitor activities of boat landing volunteers
 - C Schedule and monitor activities of lake survey volunteers
 - D Assist public information committee in disseminating print and other materials
 - E Participate in EWM inventory field surveys
 - F Develop final project report that will include evaluation of the project, findings of the EWM inventory, and a plan for future efforts.
 - G Supervise aquatic plant surveyors

- 2 **Hire 2 aquatic plant surveyors to:**
 - a. Conduct EWM field inventories
 - b. Work closely with volunteers
 - c. Accurately keep track of survey progress and findings
 - d. If found, prepare EWM samples for analysis.

6d. Description of methods and activities

I. To halt the spread of EWM in the Barnes/Eau Claire Lakes area

- A. Organizations involved in this project (see 6g.) will recruit volunteers to work in various aspects of the project.
- B. Wisconsin DNR personnel will conduct a “Clean Boats/Clean Waters” workshop in April, 2005 to train volunteers from Barnes, Gordon, and Highland Townships and any other interested individuals to educate boaters and to inspect watercraft using these waters.
- C. The coordinator hired through this grant will schedule volunteers for all the boat landings in the area of the grant over the course of the summer on the following schedule: the three major landings and the landing on the infested lake will be staffed approximately 20 hours per weekend from the opening of fishing until Labor Day; the six other landings will be staffed on the five major weekends in 2005: the opening of fishing, Memorial Day, Barnes Centennial weekend, 4th of July and Labor Day. Periodic week day staffing should also be planned for.
- D. Volunteers will distribute brochures, help boaters inspect their boats, and complete the survey requested by the “Clean Boats, Clean Waters” project.

II. To develop a comprehensive public information program regarding EWM and its potential impact on local waters.

- A. Develop signage for all boat landings: large 4 x 8 signs will be installed at the three major landings and the landing on the infested lake.
The signs will be professionally designed and constructed. Volunteers will install them.
- B. The Town of Barnes Ad Hoc EWM committee will recruit a small group of public relations professional to develop a public information campaign, research existing print pieces and information available in other forms of media, and develop an implementation plan. They will recruit necessary distribution outlets, including TV public service announcements, press releases, feature articles, literature drops, etc.

III. To survey all eleven lakes in the Eau Claire chain and connecting rivers for the existence of EWM; and, to survey 16 smaller landlocked lakes in the area.

- A. Personnel from the WDNR will train surveyors and volunteers on lake survey techniques
- B. Surveyors will use aquatic plant collection rakes for plant collection of possible infestations of EWM.
- C. Mapping of EWM and all aquatic plants will be recorded and mapped using GPS technology. GPS mapping software will be used to record sampling point locations and establish a baseline of existing vegetation.
- D. Volunteers will collect any EWM samples found and submit them to the DNR.

IV. To hire a part time (or on a contract basis) coordinator to facilitate the boat inspection program, the lake surveys and the public information program

- A. The Town of Barnes Ad Hoc EWM Committee will develop a job description, advertise the position, interview potential candidates and recommend an individual for hire.
- B. The Town of Barnes ad hoc EWM committee will supervise the activities of the coordinator
- C. The coordinator will schedule and monitor the activities of the boat landing volunteers, lake survey volunteers, and assist the public information committee in disseminating materials.
- D. The coordinator will prepare a final report on the activities covered by this grant in coordination with the Ad Hoc Committee and submit it to the Town of Barnes and the WDNR.

6e. Description of project products or deliverables

A. Clean Boats, Clean Waters project

- 1. **Contacts with lake users will be recorded and an analysis of the results will be provided in the final report, as recommended in the CBCW protocol.**
- 2. **Boat/lake users will be aware of the need for self-inspection of their boats, trailers, and other water sports equipment.**
- 3. **Information on the movement of boats and fishermen will be known and will benefit efforts to stem EWM movements.**

B. EWM Information & Education Program Development project

- 1. **The EWM prevention story will be spread to land owners, businesses, resorts, and visitors in the area.**
- 2. **The same people and businesses will be better informed and, hopefully personally committed to practice EWM “ethics”**
- 3. **Visitors and the fishing public will make EWM prevention a common habit.**
- 4. **Signs, posters, decals, news articles, public service announcements, Town of Barnes website information, and other advertising will become commonplace in the region.**
- 5. **All local materials developed will be provided to WDNR and available for other areas if requested.**

C. Aquatic Vegetation Inventory project

- 1. **A baseline aquatic plant inventory will be produced through the survey.**
- 2. **EWM (if present) will, with the level of inventory planned, be located and mapped.**
- 3. **EWM Control Measures can be planned for with inventory results and maps produced, if any EWM is found.**
- 4. **All 27 lakes identified in the project will have Tier I level information.**
- 5. **The eleven connected lakes of the Eau Claire chain will have a Tier II level of inventory (more details) This includes connecting rivers**
- 6. **The level of aquatic plant inventory may be beneficial for other lake resources concerns such as fisheries, water quality, rusty crayfish management, and lake management planning efforts**

6f. Description of data to be collected

A. CBCW Project

- a. Survey data defined by “Clean Boats/ Clean Waters” from boat landing monitoring: number of watercraft, size, where from, types of use, fishing habits, lakes visited, etc.

B. EWM I&E Project – Not a data collection project

C. EWM Inventory

- a. List of lakes with/without EWM
- b. Specific location of EWM found

- c. Map of all aquatic plant species found in survey
- d. Management Plan for Future EWM Efforts
- e. Information that will assist in control measures should EWM be found.

6g. Description of existing and proposed partnerships (* Letters of support included;)

The Town of Barnes ad hoc EWM Committee contains representatives from the following organizations:

Town of Barnes Board of Supervisors* (the applicant and sponsor)
Barnes/Eau Claire Lakes Property Owners Association*
Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission
Beauregard Lake Property Owners Association*
Tomahawk/Sandbar Lake property owners * (individuals, not a group as yet)
Potawatomi Property Owners Association*
Eau Claire Lakes Conservation Club*
Eau Claire Lakes Business Association
Town of Highland*
Town of Gordon

6h. Discussion of role of project in planning and/or management of lake

The data gathered under the auspices of this grant can be used for the development of a large scale management plan for the Eau Claire Lakes and for the smaller lakes in the area.

Presently a land use plan for the Town of Barnes is underway. Their preliminary information finds a wide public support for lake protection.

6i. Timetable for implementation of key activities

The EWM Committee will begin planning this winter for activities to commence in the spring of 2005. The job description for the coordinator will be developed and distributed and the individual hired as soon as possible. The Public Information subcommittee will also begin work in April. The first event for training volunteers is "Clean Boats/Clean Waters" scheduled for April 16, 2005. This will allow for a cadre of trained volunteers before the beginning of the 2005 fishing season. The first of the three lake surveys will take place in June, the second in July and the final one in August. Training volunteers to survey the lakes for EWM will take place in May.

6j. Plan for sharing project results

The EWM Committee will present a final report to the Barnes Town Board and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources before December 31, 2005.

This report will include the successes/results of the three different projects within the AIS Grant as well as recommendations for future projects and or control measure if needed.