

**Date:** July 25, 2024

**From:** Lake Ann Preservation Group, Inc. (LAPG) Board of Directors

**To:** All Individual and HOA/Trust Homeowners surrounding Lake Ann Lakes and Waterways

**Subject:** Immediate Attention Required: Lake Ann Odessa - Hydrilla Treatment Notification

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Lake Ann Community Neighbors,

Your Lake Ann Preservation Group (LAPG) Board has recently noticed the reappearance of Hydrilla in several areas along our lake shorelines and we wanted everyone to know that immediate action is being taken.

The consensus is that our Hydrilla outbreak has been caused by the recent dramatic reduction of our Lake's water-level which has exposed dormant Hydrilla to sunlight which has reactivated its growth.

As a reminder, Hydrilla can't be totally eradicated. Hydrilla "Tubers" are potato-like structures that lie below the lake bottom surface that are viable for years, allowing the plant to regrow even though the above ground Hydrilla has been destroyed. Our previous aquatic herbicide treatment was performed to reduce the volume/height of our Hydrilla population that would allow our Triploid Grass Carp the ability to maintain growth over time.

After conferring with Southern Aquatic Management, Inc. (company that applied our aquatic herbicide treatment in 2022), Lake and Pond Remediation (company that supplies us with Triploid Grass Carp since 2021), and our assigned Florida Wildlife Commission (FWC) Invasive Aquatic Plant Expert; we will be performing a Perimeter Band Spot Treatment using the recommended AquaStrike Aquatic Herbicide on Tuesday, July 30th. We will also be adding additional Carp in November.

**IMPORTANT: We ask that everyone please stay off the lakes on Tuesday, July 30th to prevent waves from dispersing the targeted perimeter band treatment and please do not use the lake water for irrigation from Tuesday, July 30th until Saturday, August 3rd.**

**Water Use Restrictions for Water Following Applications with AquaStrike**

Drinking	Fishing & Swimming	Livestock Consumption	Irrigation to Turf & Landscape Ornamentals	Irrigation to Food Crops
3 days	0	1 day	3 days	5 days

LAPG will be meeting again in the coming months to budget for future ongoing Hydrilla Lake Maintenance efforts that will allow us to keep our lakes beautiful and usable. More details will be shared on the level of lake access homeowner funding required.

Thank you for your continued support!

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