

**WISDOM CIRCLES**  
**ASVA CONFERENCE 2015**

**Municipal Development Plan Control**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Getting residents to comply / enforcement</li> </ul>	Share with other municipalities their bylaw personnel as too small to be able to afford their own
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Municipal Planning</li> </ul>	Use of professional planning service to assess and develop plans, bylaws, and policies to ensure they are consistent with existing legislation Grants available for professional planning

**Illegal use or indiscriminate use of quads and off-highway vehicles in summer villages**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enforcement – inconsistent expectations of who can and who can't use OHVs</li> </ul>	Bylaws can be written to encompass specific situations but enforcement remains a problem
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**Docks and Lifts – how to control in waterbodies which is under federal control**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outside municipal jurisdiction</li> <li>• Establishing Guidelines</li> <li>• Enforcement</li> <li>• Infill of huge boulders just above the shoreline</li> <li>• Land Use Bylaw does not cover it at time of work</li> <li>• No laws or restrictions against where you can place docks or lifts</li> <li>• Verify and establish who has the jurisdiction over the lake bed</li> </ul>	<p>The province needs to authorize municipalities management rights within 30 metres of high-water mark; this will enable municipalities to determine what works best for them – be it a permitting process, communal dock and enforcement management</p> <p>A loose set of guidelines by the province with provision of modification by peculiar situations in some summer villages Let summer villages regulate and enforce Strengthen the Land Use Bylaw to incorporate infill on parcel ; deal with one on one</p> <p>Provincial Government should allow municipalities to create bylaws with minimal restrictions regarding docks and lifts If it is the province, lobby the province to enact legislation to enable summer villages to regulate placement of docks and lifts along municipal property</p>
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**Pollutants into the water / lake**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water quality protection from fertilizers, car crap incl oil and gas</li> <li>• Septic evasive zebra mussels, agriculture, ice fishing huts, boat fuel</li> <li>• Still some villages with septic fields</li> <li>• Fertilizing of lawns</li> </ul>	<p>Bylaws banning fertilizers / pesticides; properly maintained ditches; proper landscaping; cautious refueling; proper off-lake watering systems for cattle</p> <p>Identify specific problems, pollutant sources; access and research, reports &amp; quality review through watershed alliances to determine actual issues/measures to better plan mitigation and improvements</p> <p>Strong bylaws regarding recreational vehicles, septic, etc. Conservation master plan – costly Strong authority to govern water/lake/creek conservation Education for citizens on what affect their actions have and simple changes that would create improvement</p> <p>Make everyone replace fields with pump out tanks that will be compatible with sewer systems</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gas overflow into the lake</li> </ul>	Disallow fertilizers Educate how to avoid spillage
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### **Lake Access Points**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No lake access; lots of illegal access points</li> <li>Public Access to Beach</li> <li>No informal boat launches; parking or washrooms</li> <li>Not enough formal ramps and too many informal</li> <li>Not enough access points and the ones that we do have need to be greatly managed</li> </ul>	Have to use public boat launch which are anywhere from 2-6 km away; encourage early morning or late night launching to avoid long delays No parking outside designated area Fee for use – parking and ramp Business opportunity for launches Continue to work with regional partners on increasing formal and encouraging transportation to allow us to manage the informal We need strategic, regulated access points that are maintained and have facilities such as parking, bathrooms, boat wash station, etc.
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### **Policing and Law Enforcement**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enforcement of municipal and provincial laws in summer village boundaries</li> <li>On Land – not enough people per police</li> <li>On Water – not enough policing done on lake (don't have the capacity)</li> <li>Limited or no policing, speed and noise</li> <li>Lack of available enforcement officers</li> <li>Sometime no police officers available</li> </ul>	Enhanced policing option involving cooperation between several summer villages in the area and the RCMP detachment; for an agreed rate, the RCMP provide focused enforcement to summer villages that are part of the agreement Need other groups to police the lake such as Fish & Game Association since RCMP doesn't have the capacity; For land police summer villages need to get their own police such as a regional police force Speed bumps, trying sharing a bylaw office with the County; agreement with neighbouring village for their service Cooperative supply of law enforcement is difficult to achieve-very costly; RCMP lack staffing to supply coverage Push Province to provide more bodies – special constables can be hired Shared policing MADD education program Private security firms
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### **Noise and Safety Issues related to the Illegal use of fireworks**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noise</li> <li>Lack qualified people to use fireworks</li> <li>Do fire bans prohibit the discharge of fireworks</li> <li>Noise</li> <li>May set off fires</li> <li>Garbage</li> <li>Illegal</li> <li>Personal Injury</li> <li>Enforcement</li> </ul>	Bylaw – however enforcement is questionable Permits – only certain days – holidays Respect neighbours – invite neighbours – Quiet time Certification for people Have a fireworks bylaw – regulate – need permits Vendors provide information permits Public Information of use and regulations
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### **Fire Protection**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safety and property protection</li><li>• Gates (access), named roads, neglected municipal reserves, build-up of tree loading; no dedicated fire service, bareland condos</li></ul>	<p>Proper ditch control Underbrush maintenance Proper access to water and property Ensure access during winter months Pump available until fire truck gets there Use grants to buy fire suppression equipment Build relationship with county if you can Education</p>
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### **Noise Pollution**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Party boats and rafts</li><li>• Excessive drinking, music and overloaded watercraft</li><li>• Work related noise</li><li>• Recreational noise – personal watercraft</li><li>• Loud parties at private houses and beach fronts, quads and ATVs, motorcycles, dog barking, motorboats with boomboxes</li><li>• Late night party boats – lack of enforcement</li><li>• Cigar boats – long speed boat with no abatement on engine</li><li>• Disturbing the peace</li></ul>	<p>Speak with participants the next day Signage and articles in the newsletters and boat launches</p> <p>Do a noise level survey Be considerate of neighbours Negotiate times of work Communicate Curfew – 11pm Try to write a bylaw PR campaign Responsible operation of ATV – be responsible Need more on water policing / fish and wildlife more regulations Need some general rules vs bylaws More visibilities for enforcement people Signs for consideration of noise in the shoreline areas Noise bylaws with a struggle to deal with this – absence of federal legislation Noise on land – conversation with landowner – approach each individual to speak to them – option to fine or place caveat on title Considerate of the community atmosphere</p>
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### **Public Access through Summer Villages to get to Lake**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• How to accommodate</li><li>• Demand to provide access and parking</li><li>• Damage to public property, parking enforcement</li></ul>	<p>Differentiate between public and resident Look at problems; seek acceptable solutions Capitalize on this activity Provide parking to off lake activities; promote your area Bylaws to be posted because parking and traffic can cause emergency response access issues Provide parking lot – who pays for this and do we get provincial help Develop an access Tough luck Big decision as to whether to put in a boat launch</p>
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