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Mr. Tom Spaniol  
Bass Lake Rehabilitation District  
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Somerset, WI 54025

Subject: Bass Lake Management Plan 2016 Approval

Dear Mr. <sup>Tom</sup>Spaniol:

This letter is to notify the Bass Lake Rehabilitation District that the Bass Lake Management Plan 2016 meets the criteria of NR 191.45 and 191.42 and thus has been approved by the Wisconsin DNR. Management activities identified in the plan are considered eligible for grant funding under Chapter NR 190, NR 191, and NR 198, subject to the application requirements of those grant programs.

Furthermore, the Department must certify that all proposed projects recommended in an approved plan comply with the provisions of the Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA). This certification could involve additional public informational meetings or other environmental assessment action. Please be aware that some activities may require a permit.

It is important that the Bass Lake Rehabilitation District and its partners routinely communicate and document the progress and accomplishments during the implementation of the lake management plan. Documentation should include annual tracking of phosphorus loading reductions that have been accomplished. It has been a pleasure to work with you to protect and improve the Bass Lake ecosystem and watershed.

Sincerely,

Buzz Sorge  
Lake Management Planner

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