

**LITTLE McDONALD-KERBS-PAUL & DEVILS LAKE
MORATORIUM AND PERMIT FACT SHEET**

HISTORY

In the fall of 2018, the long awaited outlet project for Little McDonald Lake, Kerbs Lake, Paul Lake and Devils Lake was started to draw down the water level of those four lakes to their ordinary high-water level (OHWL). Lake levels have been closely monitored since.

MORATORIUM

September 25, 2018, the Otter Tail County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution establishing a moratorium on all shoreline restoration activities on Little McDonald Lake, Kerbs Lake, Paul Lake and Devils Lake until each lake is at its respective ordinary high-water level. The resolution also allows property owners on these lakes to circumvent planning commission approval for restoration of exposed shoreline and can simply get a permit directly from the Land and Resource Management office.

The purpose of this fact sheet is to detail what types of permits may be required for shoreline restoration on Little McDonald Lake, Kerbs Lake, Paul Lake and Devils Lake once each lake is at its OHWL, and what agency from which the permit must be obtained.

PERMITS

Permits from Otter Tail County Land & Resource Management (218.998.8095) are required for:

- Removing dead trees and stumps in the exposed shoreline
- Earth moving or reshaping the landscape in the exposed shoreline
- Installing or repairing rip-rap above the OHWL in the exposed shoreline
- WOAS relocation - *structure*
- Beach sand blanket above the OHWL
- Septic system repair or replacement

Permits from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (218.739.7576) are required for:

- Installing or repairing rip-rap below the OHWL
- Shoreline reclamation
- Beach sand blanket below the OHWL

East Otter Tail County Soil & Water Conservation District (218.346.9105)

- Rain garden installation technical assistance
- Buffer area installation technical assistance
- Erosion control technical assistance

COUNTY BOARD UPDATE
CSAH 34 RECONSTRUCTION
S.A.P. 056-634-011
June 4, 2019

Plans –

Mn/DOT District 4 Design Sections have completed their review of the plan revisions to US 10 corridor.

Houston Engineering, Inc. has submitted the final plans to the County and Mn/DOT District 4 State Aid for final review.

Anticipate plans will be approved by Mn/DOT the mid-June 2019.

Right of Way Plat – Complete.

Permits –

MN DNR – Will be issued permit once Mn/DOT approved plans are submitted, likely by mid to late June 2019.

Mn/DOT – Will require a US 10 Limited Use Permit and Miscellaneous Work on Trunk Highway Right of Way Permit. Permits likely to be issued by late June 2019.

MN MCPA – Application will be submitted when plans are complete. Normally one-week approval on permits.

OTC Conditional Use Permit – Approved.

USACE – Permit will likely be approved August 1 to September 1, 2019.

Acquisition –

There are 55 properties involved, owned by 38 property owners. 37 offers have been made, 3 are signed and 4 have given verbal agreement. 1 owner to get offer yet.

The overall tone has been fairly positive in regard to the county making reasonable offers and the process of determining personal property damages, getting estimates, etc.

There are several property owners that have voiced fairly serious opposition.

File for “blanket” Eminent Domain to ensure property rights in time for bidding. Bring to the Board for approval in late June or early July.

Construction –

Plan to bid August or September 2019, after all permits are received.

Start construction fall 2019 or spring 2020.

Summer completion July 31, 2020, to include all but final bituminous lift.

Final completion June 19, 2021, final lift of paving and cleanup.

Perham to Pelican Rapids Reginal Trail Paving –

Follow on Project S.P. 056-090-013 summer to fall 2020.

