

## **SID UPDATE on Levee Restoration Project JUNE 20, 2022**

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FILLING THE LAKE HAS STARTED. We are now filling the lake from 2 sources. Our pump near Lot #1 and the Noerrlinger farms irrigation pump. We hope to get approximately 2 inches/day of rise in lake level. We will know better after a few days of uninterrupted pumping. There will be periods of time when one or even both pumps may not be running. We will continue to pump but may need to slow down or stop if the water level gets in the way of construction.

The next couple weeks of construction will include putting fabric and rip rap on the sand and along the shoreline at the north end and in the bay inlets. Soil and topsoil will be brought in as well. The current plan is for the contractors to use the haul road on the river side of the levee or the top of the levee and minimize traffic on our roads. They also continue bringing in soil from just outside the gate from near the Noerrlinger silos.

***At this time we will again allow all traffic to continue on the entire road but we ask you to yield to truck traffic crossing the road especially up near Bull Frog Bay Dr. PLEASE slow down in this area and stop for construction vehicles and equipment.***

KEU is currently working 7am-7pm Monday-Saturday (and Sunday if work days lost to weather). We are asking **EVERYONE to remain off of the earthen levee** and away from construction activity while workers are present. This means no bicycles, pedestrians, motorized vehicles, etc. PLEASE OBEY ALL SIGNAGE.

We will update this report next Wednesday after this has been going for a couple days. We will inform you of any changes to this plan.

KEU continues to work on other areas of the project while they wait for direction from the engineers.

The SID has CLOSED THE LAKE (water surface) to all motorized craft EXCEPT by permission. We will reopen to motorized traffic once we have brought the lake up to a safe operating level.

PLEASE NOTE:

The SID is also very concerned for the safety of the community and visitors to Waconda and for the protection and respect for the construction materials and equipment of KEU. During our preliminary discussions, the SID informed both the CORPS and KEU that we will do all we need to expedite the project and are willing to close, restrict, reroute, traffic (vehicular and pedestrian) when and where we may need to. We will keep everyone posted on any of these decisions as they are made.

There is a lot of moving parts with this project and the SID, CORPS and KEU are going to do all we can to complete this in a timely and safe manner. We all are asking for everyone's cooperation, understanding, and patience as this project progresses.

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If you have any questions, you can contact Jim Noerrlinger, Matt Burnham, or Jon Meyers via phone or email. Contact information is on the contacts tab at [www.sid1.org](http://www.sid1.org)

Watch for continued updates here.

On behalf of the SID board, we thank you.

Jon Meyers