

SID UPDATE on Levee Restoration Project JUNE 23, 2022

PLEASE share this information with family members and guest of ALL AGES. It will take a commitment from all of us to get the best results possible.

As the lake continues to be filled, it's only a matter of a couple of weeks or less when we will begin to allow boats to be launched and boat traffic on the lake. We ask that you keep up with the latest by visiting this website and watching for notices from the SID and HOA boards.

NOW is the time to confirm that all your permits are in order. Be sure that your watercraft (including PWC's) have registration and are tagged with a Nebraska Boating tag of 2022 or higher, a Waconda Sticker, and your lot number. Watch for communication from the HOA as to launch schedules.

Please be advised that we will not open up to traffic until the domestic water main running through the lake has sufficient water above it to allow for safe boating. We will have buoys marking the deeper channel and will be funneling traffic to the center of the lake to cross the water main. This is near Lot #300 on the east and it crosses to the west near the island on West Shore Drive. We will have enough room for bi-directional traffic, and as always, stay to the right and travel in a counter-clockwise direction.

Current daily boating rules will be posted neat the entrance to Waconda and on this site's homepage. They will be updated as conditions warrant.

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

Watch for continued updates here.

On behalf of the SID board, we thank you.

Jon Meyers