

SID UPDATE on Levee Restoration Project JUNE 29, 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.

The lake is approximately 28" below normal summer FULL level. We are adding about 1.5 to 2 inches per day. The domestic water main crossing the lake between Lots #300 and #373 is currently covered with approximately 2.5 feet of water at the center of the lake. We plan to place buoys approximately 100 feet from each shore that will mark shallow water and we will require all motorized craft to remain between the buoys as you cross the water main.

Currently the boat ramp is at a point that we can start to carefully use it. Everyone needs to understand that the water is still shallow and damage to your trailer or watercraft could occur. At the current level, some people will be able to get their boats or PWC's on and off their lifts sooner than others. Some will elect to put boats in the water and tie up to their docks while waiting for the water level to allow them to use their boat lifts. We ask that you assess your individual situation BEFORE putting you boat in. We are asking that people not use the boat ramp for putting boats in AND taking boats out daily or weekly but rather wait until you can use your lift or decide to tie up and leave your boat in. Starting on Friday July 1 the boat ramps will be open, use them at your own risk. Launching your boat will be by appointment or calling a director or the on-call director Friday, Sunday, and Monday this weekend. Saturday will be a first boat launch day with the ramp manned all day. The HOA will send out a separate notice with schedules of directors on call etc. Jim Noerllinger will NOT be available to launch boats.

Beginning at 8:00am Friday July 1, 2022

the lake will be open with a 5-mph MAX AND NO WAKE until further notice.

It is anticipated that within a week or 2 we will be back to full level with no (or few) restrictions. Until then the lake remains closed to motorized traffic (except by permission)

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.

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, all traffic may 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.

This week KEU is working 7am-7pm Monday-Thursday. They will be returning on July 5th and resume a 6- or 7-day schedule. 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.

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