

Attendees at 2/15 Pre-submittal meeting

Shawn McNulty, American Sportfish
Don Bates, Osprey Initiative
Stephen Wilson, Solitude Lake Management
John Crabb, Estate Management Services
Brendon Donnelly, Solitude Lake Management
Bryan Goldsby, Aqua Services
David Hammond, Earth Science Labs
Wesley Hayes, RES
Ed Shimmer, Earth Science Labs
Aaron Pierce, RES
Frank Cuccio, RES
Troy Goldsby, Aqua Services

Questions Received

1. The available budget may affect the development of a management plan; can you provide some idea of the amount of funding available?
 - a. Cost will not be the sole determining factor, but will aid in selection. I would suggest offering a proposal with multiple potential treatment options with associated costs and the benefits associated with each.

2. Will your team be sharing the power point presentation with the group if requested?
 - a. Yes, the presentation and additional resources can be accessed here:
http://www.mobilebaynep.com/the_watersheds/three_mile_creek_watershed/apple_s_nail_control

3. Is there any pedestrian control measures that MBNEP or the contractor will be required to implement during this project?
 - a. No, but the respondent should be aware that the project footprint is within a highly utilized public park. Respondents should be prepared to interact with the public and are expected to be able to convey basic project information should they be asked.

4. Can the data regarding the chosen chemical, mixing ratio, and results from the State's application be shared with us?
 - a. Yes, additional resources can be accessed here:
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5. If an approved chemical label suggests a different application method or equipment from what has been specified, or there is a lack of availability of the equipment specified, will MBNEP be open to alternative approaches to applying approved pesticides?
 - a. Yes

6. Is there any manufacturer information, examples, or other sourcing information for the highly specialized equipment specified in the request for proposal?
 - a. The equipment specified in the RFP may not be necessary. MBNEP is open to other options so long as they can be justified.

7. Typically, how many traps are set to gauge the apple snail population within the project footprint?
 - a. Last year 15 traps were utilized around the margins of the pond; more may be utilized this year if it is determined that traps should also be placed in the interior of the lake.

8. Is there a KMZ or other form of map that can be provided to better understand the project footprint?
 - a. Yes, a KMZ file of the general project area was emailed to the contractor distribution list on February 17.

9. Approximately how many acres of undesirable vegetation will need to be treated with a chemical such as an aquatic Glyphosate to prepare the work area for the molluscicide application?
 - a. The lake was approximately 3/4 covered in submerged aquatic vegetation. Emergent vegetation is also present in areas and may require treatment as well.

10. What is the lake's pH?
 - a. Water samples collected on 2/17/2021 upstream and downstream of the spillway between the upper and lower lakes and close to the dam on the east end of the lower lake had a pH of 6.5, 6.5, and 7.0 respectively.