

## Local Non-Profit Appling for Community Change Grant

A local non-profit group Price County United has acquired the former Lionite hardboard manufacturing property with plans being formed and grants applied for to aid in the development of the 26 acre parcel located between the Phillips mainstreet and the shores of Lake Duroy on the Phillips Chain O' Lakes. Public tours and listening sessions have been taking place and a community input survey can be found on the PCU website, or by capturing the QR code below. Please share your input on the incredible opportunity to change the future of the Phillips community, and put this unique property to it's best use in the future!





https://www.phillipswisconsin.net

/events/calendar/2024-07-01

The chamber has also put plans in

place for another day of Phillips

on Tap, scheduled for Aug. 17.

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## WILSON LAKE SPOT HERBICIDE TREATMENT PROGRAM COMPLETED

PCOLA applied for and was granted a DNR AIS control spot treatment program in 2021, with the herbicide application in the spring of 2022. Schmidt's Aquatic applied ProcellaCOR in a 10.8-acre area, our consulting partner, Onterra LLC, determined the location. The total program cost was \$38,253, with the 75/25 cost-sharing PCOLA cost was \$9,563. For details on the program including a map of the application area, see the report on our website at; http://phillipschain.org/WilsonPhillips\_Price\_2023\_EWM\_MgmtMonitorReport\_Mar19-2024.pdf

## Tree Drops and Fish Sticks-Improving Fish Habitat

Over the last 8 years, Phillips Chain O' Lakes Association volunteers have worked with shoreline property owners, the Wisconsin DNR, and Price County Zoning to install more than 75 tree drops and fish stick structures on LongLake and Wilson Lake to improve fish habitat.

Tree drops and fish sticks are woody structures installed near shore to add fish habitat to lakes and flowage. Tree drops are single trees at least 12" in diameter. Fish sticks are typically multiple smaller trees secured together to form a structure. Tree drops do not require a DNR permit on the Phillips Chain currently but must meet all the requirements specified on the tree drop exemption checklist. Fish sticks do require a DNR permit. Online info about fish sticks is available on the Wisconsin DNR website. Both tree drops and fish sticks require documentation to be submitted to WI DNR after installation. Felling trees within 35' of shore (for either tree drops or fish sticks) also must meet the requirements specified by Price County Shoreland Zoning.

Not all shoreline properties or trees are suitable. With some guidance and support, we can help you evaluate the potential for tree drops or fish sticks and hopefully make the process less intimidating. If you are a shoreline property owner and believe your property may be suitable for tree drops or fish stick or if you just have questions contact Bill Ruff at 715 339 3680 or wjruff@pctcnet.net.



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