

# Big Cedar Lake - Communication



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## Mailing / Email Listing Update

Thank you so much to those who have responded to our first communication of November 8, 2010. Through our municipal tax record search, we contacted **127 cottages** on or near the lake. We have received responses from **60%** of the cottagers – we believe this is a very strong start for our first letter. We also received offers of help going forward.

*There was overwhelming support to find a solution to the growing Milfoil problem.*

We will investigate other channels like getting permission from road associations to share their membership email lists to see if we can increase our master list of contacts.

We encourage everyone to contact your friends and

neighbours on the lake to ensure they are aware of our efforts, received our latest communication and forwarded their contact information to:

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[darcy.wefers@sympatico.ca](mailto:darcy.wefers@sympatico.ca)

It is our hope to use email as our primary communication vehicle going forward.

*Emailed communications will be distributed by blind copy to ensure your privacy*

## Cottager's Association

In order to take any action with respect to the Milfoil problem, it is clear that we need to form a Cottage Association in regards to contracts etc.

Through our own research and advice from a lawyer we will be moving forward shortly and forming a "Non Profit" corporation which will form the basis for our Cottager's

Association. Once we have that formed, we will be asking cottagers to join for a nominal amount and then over the next few months will be holding an election by mail or email to elect permanent Directors, Officers, etc.

Stay tuned for further updates on the formation of the Association.

## Volunteer Meeting

On January 11<sup>th</sup>, a conference call was held for all those who offered to help going forward.

We discussed the *start-up committee* progress to-date and formed into sub groups:

- Cottage Association
- Milfoil Problem
- Investigation and Funding Applications for the Milfoil project
- Communications
- Related Associations



**The milfoil weevil,  
*Euhrychiopsis  
lecontei***

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*The native weevil is a specialist on EWM and its native host Northern watermilfoil, and does not damage any other aquatic plants.*

## **Eurasian Milfoil – Enviroscience Solution**

Over the next few weeks, we will be sending out an overview of the process Enviroscience is recommending for our lake in order to control the Milfoil problem.

You will see it is a very scientific approach with detailed lake surveys, mapping of milfoil infestation, weevil stocking and follow up surveys.

*Our goal is to start in late spring of this year.*

In addition, we have been doing some checking into the references for Enviroscience, which have turned out very positively. Some cottagers on our lake have also done some independent reference checking and received very positive response on Enviroscience's approach and their service/delivery.

For cottagers who wish to learn more about Enviroscience and their approach, we would encourage you to check out their website and the various associated "links" and their FAQ section.

[www.enviroscienceinc.com](http://www.enviroscienceinc.com)

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### **Other Groups interested in Eurasian Milfoil:**

- FOCA - Federation of Cottage Association
- KLSA - Kawartha Lake Stewards Association
- CLOCA - Central Lake Ontario Conversation Authority
- Trent University
- Fleming College - project with KLSA