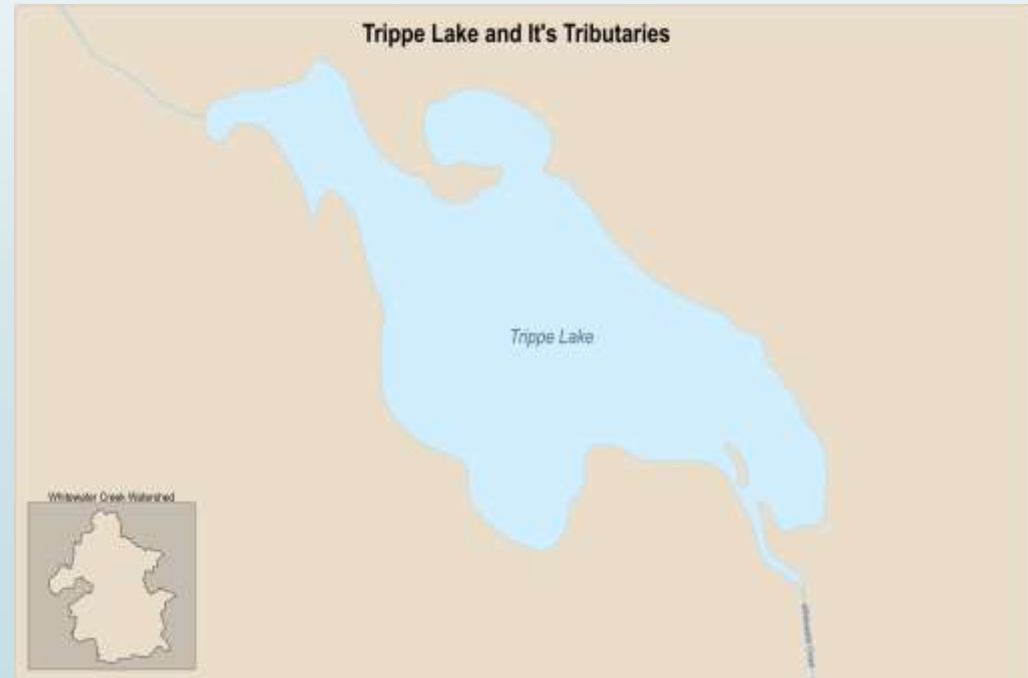


Aquatic Plant Management Plan for Cravath & Trippe Lakes

Done by SEWRPC 2025





Aquatic Plant Management Overview

- Cravath & Trippe Lakes | 2024 SEWRPC Survey
- Focus Areas:
 - Improve navigation
 - Protect native plants
 - Control invasive species (EWM, CLP, Hybrid Cattails)
- **Drawdown Success:** Significant reduction of invasive species since 2017
- **Ongoing Challenges:**
 - Decline in plant diversity
 - Increase in tolerant species & cattail overgrowth
 - No sensitive species detected (indicator of lower water quality)



Key Findings

- **Cravath Lake**
- Species dropped from **18 (2017)** to **9 (2024)**
- EWM reduced from **98 points** to **3 points**
- Cattail coverage grew from **5% (2015)** to **47% (2023)**
- **Trippe Lake**
- Vegetation coverage declined by **47%**
- Species dropped from **22 (2017)** to **13 (2024)**
- EWM eliminated; CLP minimal
- Cattail coverage grew from **22% (2015)** to **41% (2023)**



Management Plan

- **Cattail Control:**
 - Prescribed burns & selective chemical treatments
- **Invasive Species Control:**
 - Manual removal, Diver-Assisted Harvesting
 - Maintain low EWM & CLP levels
- **Native Plant Restoration**
- **Prevention:**
 - Join **Clean Boats, Clean Waters** program
 - Monitor launches & stay updated on best practices



Funding & Next Steps

- **WDNR Grant Opportunities:**
 - **Clean Boats, Clean Waters:** 75% of \$24,000
 - **AIS Prevention & Control:** Up to \$150,000
 - **Boating Facilities Grants:** 50% of \$250,000
- **Conclusion:**
 - Continue proactive management
 - Balance recreation, ecology, and invasive control
 - Secure funding to support long-term lake health
 - This document becomes part of our comprehensive plan