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Evergreen Lakes Resident,

We are writing today to share an exciting update in regards to the shoreline erosion on your lakes. Since our last communication in late September the Park District has signed an agreement with an engineering firm to perform a study on both bodies of water. This particular study will provide the following:

- Engineers will visit Evergreen Lakes multiple times to evaluate every foot of shoreline on both bodies of water.
- After evaluating the shoreline(s), engineers will place a ranking on various areas of shoreline.
- The ranked list will allow us the ability to identify the most critical areas of the shoreline.
- Additionally, our engineering firm will be placing a budget number on each identified area so the Park District can plan appropriately in future years.
- Essentially, at the end of our review, we will have a document that ranks all areas of concern, places a budget number to those areas and allows us to plan for the future of Evergreen Lakes.

The plan is for the engineers to start their process in late March (depending on weather). The study will take several months to prepare. Our goal is to have the information by September/October 2024 for our 2025 budget process. Please note, there will be no actual shoreline work performed in 2024 unless our engineering firm identifies any areas of immediate concern. If we have areas of immediate concern, as stated by our hired engineers, we will act accordingly.

The Park District has also re-seeded, with native seed mix, a couple areas along the banks of the lakes to re-establish native vegetation in those areas. In the fall of 2023 we also sprayed for lily pads and will perform another treatment of the lily pads if/when they arrive in 2024.

Thank you for your continued patience. There is clear light at the end of this tunnel! We will continue to update the progress of our study and publish the results upon completion.

Sincerely,

Sue Rini
Executive Director