

Exeland Rod and Gun Club

Exeland, Wi, 54835

Dear Landowner/Riparian

Windfall Lake, Sawyer County Wisconsin

Please allow this letter to inform you of the **Exeland Rod and Gun Club** and the **2010 Fish Habitat Project for Windfall Lake**.

“This project is sponsored with the cooperation of the Wisconsin DNR and local wildlife officials. We are asking for your support as riparians on Windfall Lake to support the Exeland Rod and Gun Club acting as your proxy (riparian). We are NOT asking for monetary donations nor access to your property or shoreline.”

Our plan is to place fish habitat structure (fish cribs) in Windfall lake through the later part of the year 2010 and early 2011. This will improve the spawning and shelter opportunities for the fish in the lake and will hopefully improve the overall environment for our community fishery.

We are asking for you to return the enclosed form indicating your support for this project which allows us to place several structures under one permit and one fee, saving everyone administrative fees (which will be covered by the **Exeland Rod and Gun Club**) and processing. This is a great opportunity for all of us to join together and help to support a worthy cause.

Some Specifics for the placing of Fish Habitat Structure (per the DNR) include:

The fish crib(s) may be placed and maintained only by a riparian, and shall be placed entirely within the riparian’s zone of interest. (with cooperation of folks like you, we are allowed to place multiple structures under one permit)

The fish crib(s) must be placed solely for the purpose of improving fish habitat.

The riparian shall report the placement of the structure to the local department fisheries biologist within 30 days after placement. The report shall contain a description of the project and its purpose, the name of the waterway and a map showing where the structure was placed. (The Exeland Rod and Gun Club will provide all necessary documentation to the appropriate authorities)

A deposit of sand, gravel or stone may be associated with the placement of a fish crib provided the deposit is limited to the area immediately underneath or within one foot of the structure and is less than 2 cubic yards. (currently no plans are made to place any stone/gravel under any fish cribs)

Dredging is not allowed for the placement of a fish crib. (No dredging is planned for any portion of this project)

Fish cribs shall have a minimum of 5 feet of water over the top of the structure. The depth and clearance of the fish cribs shall be based on the normal lowest water level condition in a calendar year.

Fish cribs shall be constructed of biological materials, with the exception of fastening and anchoring devices.

The dimensions of a fish crib shall be no larger than 8 feet tall by 8 feet long by 8 feet wide.

Fish cribs may not be placed within 100 feet of swimming beaches or swim rafts.

Fish cribs may not be located in soft sediment or muck that is greater than 12 inches in depth.

Fish cribs may not be placed where the bottom contour of the waterway exceeds a slope of 4-foot horizontal to one-foot vertical.

The **Exeland Rod and Gun Club** will also provide to the authorities the appropriate detailed plans and/or drawings, legible site maps and photographs required for the completion of the application and project.

We Thank You for your cooperation and support.

You are invited to follow along with this project and all **Exeland Rod and Gun Club** activities at http://exelandarea.com/ExelandRod_Gun/index.htm

Feel free to contact us at exelandrodandgun@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Nevin Zezza - Secretary

Exeland Rod and Gun Club

Please sign and return the signed form below so it can be attached to the permit application..... Thank You

I _____, a homeowner/riparian on Windfall Lake, Sawyer County Wisconsin, support the **Exeland Rod and Gun Club** and the **2010 Fish Habitat Project** for **Windfall Lake** and agree to their acting as my proxy for placing of fish cribs/fish habitat in the waters of Windfall Lake per the guidelines as set by the Department of Natural Resources.

Signed _____

Date _____