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Subject: 2010 Citizen Lake Monitoring Network Update/Workshop Schedule

Response Requested by March 22, 2010

Dear Volunteer:

Spring is fast approaching and I am preparing for another successful sampling season in 2010. Hopefully you enjoyed yourself last year and are looking forward to the upcoming season as much as I am.

I will again be hosting 4 workshops throughout the Northeast Region to distribute your chemistry supplies (i.e. new titration chemicals, new acid, and items that are generally provided in the spring mailing), answer any questions, and address any training/sampling protocol concerns that you may have. I was extremely impressed and grateful for the turnout last year. I believe that our region had the best overall workshop turnout in the state! For this year's workshops, if you wish to simply pick up your supplies and be on your way that is fine. However, I recommend that you attend a brief refresher of the sampling protocol which will follow the chemistry manual, highlighting the areas that commonly generate confusion. Even if you only monitor water clarity, I invite you to attend the workshops as we can also discuss Aquatic Invasive Species monitoring, reporting your data in SWIMS, or any other monitoring topics volunteers may have.

Dissolved Oxygen

Last year, I mentioned that CLMN was phasing out the colorimetric method of monitoring D.O. I recently found approximately 20 more colorimetric kits and would like to see them put to good use. If you would like to continue with the colorimetric method, let me know and I will be sure to have the refills available for you at the workshop. CLMN will continue to provide chemicals for the titration method on a yearly basis.

Another option for dissolved oxygen is a D.O. meter which can be purchased at costs ranging from \$650 to greater than \$1,000. The cost of a D.O. meter can be offset by a small scale grant from the DNR. Grant information can be found at <http://dnr.wi.gov/lakes/grants/>. Please contact your regional water quality biologist or me with your questions regarding grants.

QA/QC

QA/QC sampling will continue for this year and we hope to include 10% of the chemistry volunteers once again. The list for QA/QC lakes is randomly generated, meaning that even if you participated in 2009 you may be asked again in 2010. Once the list of lakes is generated, I will contact you regarding your participation.

What you should bring to the workshop:

1. If you still have your **Styrofoam acid container**, please bring that along to the workshop so you have something for your new acid. This is the small gray container/box for the small acid ampoules (holds 24).
2. Old dissolved oxygen chemicals and/or acid
3. Broken or worn equipment (Van Dorn samplers)

If you have any special equipment requests (new eye dropper for titrations or additional forceps for the chlorophyll filters), let me know before hand so I can make sure I have the extra supplies at the workshop. The workshop schedule is as follows:

Monday April 5, 3-8pm	Thursday April 8, 3-8pm	Wednesday April 14, 3-8 pm	Wednesday April 21 3-8pm
Wautoma Service Center 427 E Tower Drive Suite 100, Wautoma 54982	Green Bay Headquarters 2984 Shawano Ave. Green Bay, WI 54313-6727	Oshkosh Service Center 625 E. CTY Y, Oshkosh, WI 54901- 9731 Volunteer Room (Main Lobby area near UW-Extension)	Peshtigo Service Center 101 N Ogden Rd, PO Box 208, Peshtigo 54157

The hours listed are the hours that I will be there for you to pick up your supplies. Depending on attendance, I am planning on beginning the refresher training around 5 pm. In no way are you expected to attend a five hour event, although you are welcome to do so if you would like. It is not necessary for you to attend the workshop closest to your lake if another location works better for you. If you are unable to attend any of the workshops contact me at your earliest convenience and we can make arrangements to make sure that you get your supplies; options include picking up your supplies at a service center, the Lakes Convention, or having another volunteer pick them up for you. As was the case last year, our budgets for travel and shipping expenses are limited. Picking up your supplies is greatly appreciated.

In the event that you would like me to leave your supplies at one of the service centers, please note that service center hours have changed. The service centers are open to the public on the following days from

9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. and from **1:30 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.**

X = office open	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Green Bay		X		X	X
Oshkosh			X		X
Wautoma	X				
Peshtigo			X		

Please respond to this letter by March 22, 2010. In your response please include:

- Which workshop you plan to attend (If you cannot make any of the workshops please indicate that so we can make alternate arrangements).
- If you have any special or new equipment requests (this includes titration chemicals/kits, forceps, etc.).

Thank you again for all of your help and dedication to the Wisconsin Citizen Lake Monitoring Network. I look forward to working with you through another sampling season. If you have any questions about this letter or the upcoming workshops, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Jay Schiefelbein

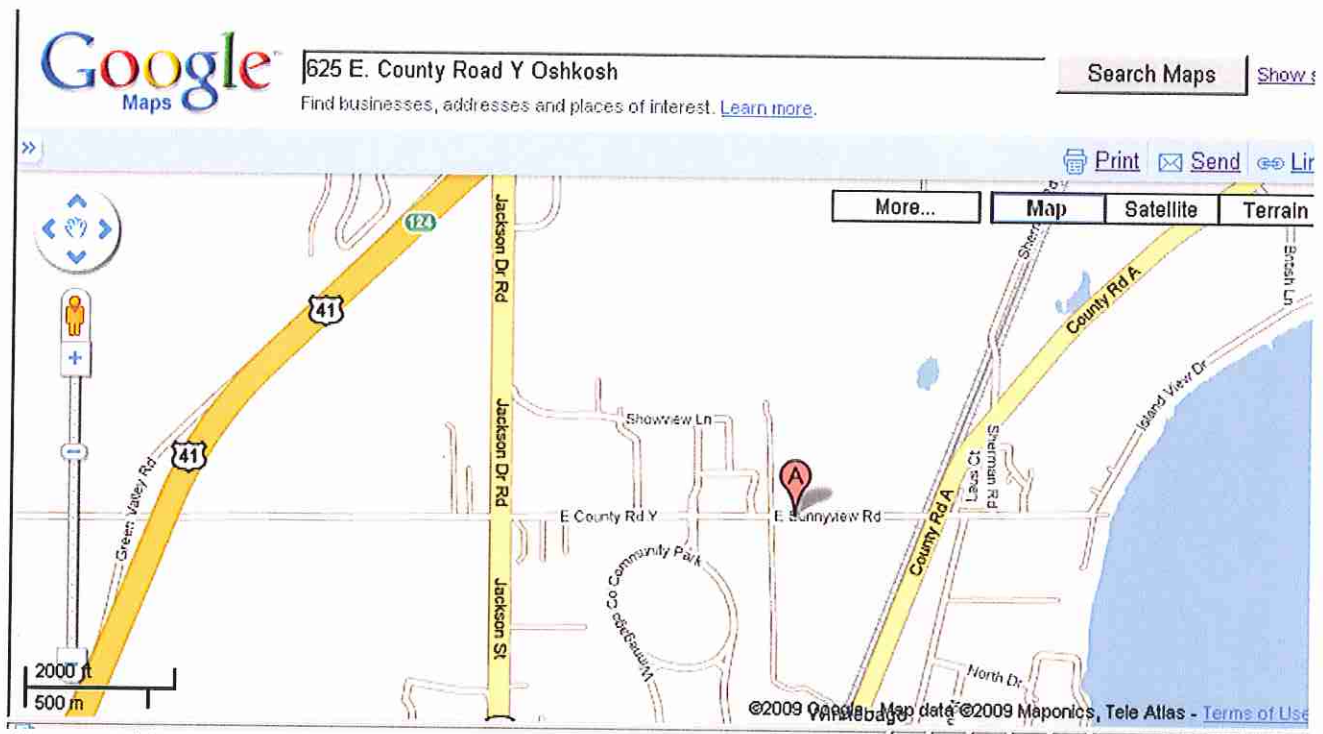
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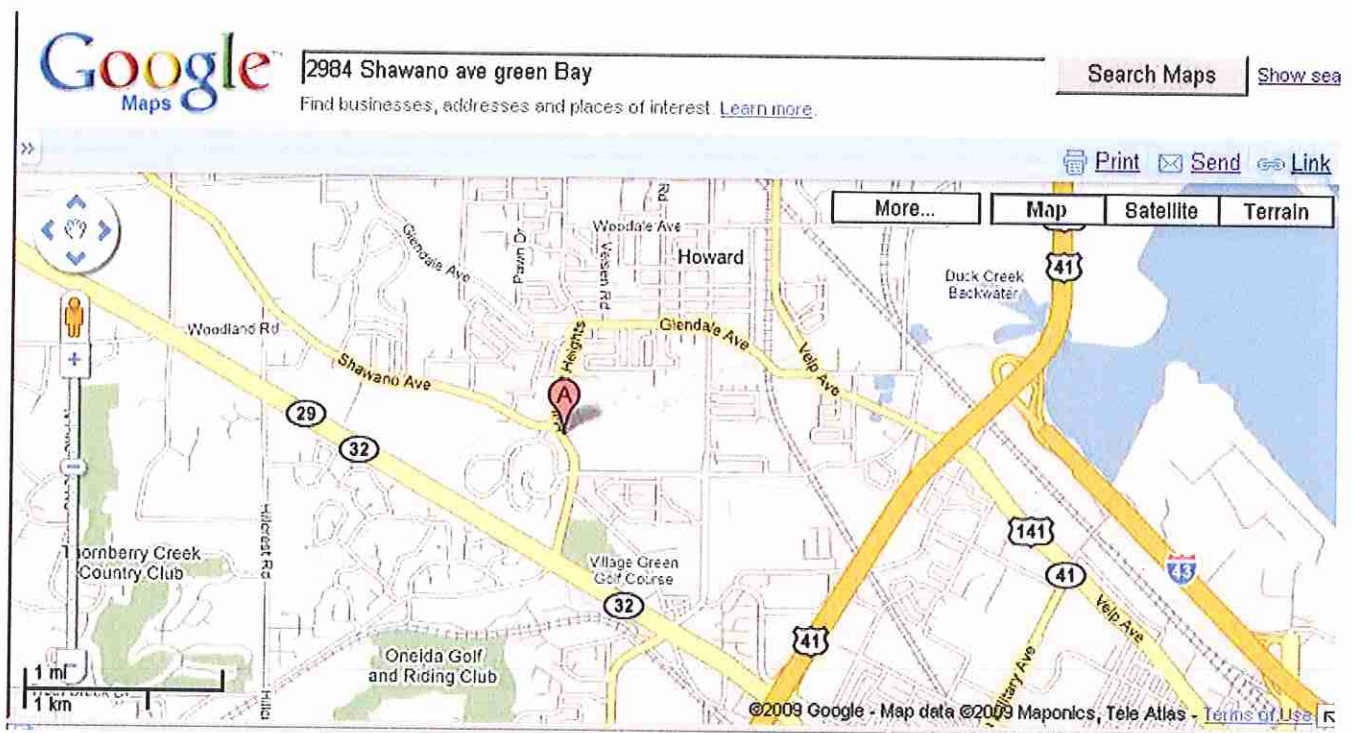
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