

Horseshoe Lake Newsletter
August 30, 2021

Hello,

I thought this Grant opportunity described in the email from Kathy Bartilson below might be of interest to our property owners who have suffered shoreline erosion when the water level on the lake was higher. Shoreline vegetation is a natural way to prevent future erosion. With the water levels down this will make shoreline restoration easier.

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From: **Kathy Bartilson** <oh2paddle@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Aug 24, 2021 at 4:15 PM

Subject: WCLRA message: Shoreline restoration grant funding opportunity

To:

Greetings Washburn County Lakes and Rivers Association (WCLRA) members and friends.

I'm writing to let you know about another opportunity for cost-sharing for shoreline restoration using native plants. The Washburn County Land and Water Conservation Department plans to apply for a grant this fall to help more landowners interested in improving their shoreline health, habitat and potential erosion problems.

Under the Wisconsin DNR Healthy Lakes program, grant funding can cover up to 75% of costs per practice and is capped at \$1000 per project. Landowners would need to contribute a 25% match. If you and your family and friends do the prepping, digging and planting, volunteer hours can count toward the landowner's portion of the project cost. Shoreline restoration projects generally cost around \$1000 to \$1300. The practice must remain in place for 10 years to protect the shoreline of a lake or river.

To apply for the grant, county staff need to recruit landowners now and do site visits to gather information for the grant application. If you are interested, please contact Lisa Burns by **October 1st** at lburns@co.washburn.wi.us or 715-468-4654 to set up a site visit and discuss the program.

Please pass this on to your own lake association/district members or anyone else you think may be interested, especially people on lakes that may not have a lake association.

If you prefer to not receive these direct emails from WCLRA, just reply to this message to let me know.

Thanks!

Kathy Bartilson

for the WCLRA Board of Directors