

NEWS **You** **Can Use!** **- Spring 2008**

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WABAMUN WATERSHED **MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

What are we working on?

Nutrient Reduction Strategy

The WWMC is implementing a Nutrient Reduction Strategy to help address this serious issue at the lake through work with the following groups:

- Boaters - focus on responsible boat care & maintenance
- Watershed Residents - focus on how to "live by water" plus free homesite consultations
- Municipalities - focus on improving operations & policies
- Government - focus on good monitoring and effective enforcement
- Agriculture - starting development of focus, email us if you'd like to be involved.

Visit www.wwmc to learn more about the issue and strategy.

Watershed Research

Alberta Environment is undertaking some additional research at the lake this summer, looking at levels and sources of nutrient loading to the lake, as well as a study to determine levels and sources of *E. coli* in the lake.

Watershed Management Plan

One of the main aims of the WWMC is to develop a watershed management plan for the Wabamun Lake watershed. The nutrient reduction work that the Council is doing now represents one aspect of the type of issues the watershed plan will address.

The WWMC is starting the process through the establishment of a framework for the plan. The Council will eventually work with the broader community on development of the plan.

Calendar of Events

Over the summer of 2008 we are focusing most of our activities on Seba Beach, before doing a more lake-wide program next year.

- April 26th: Nutrient Reduction Strategy Presentation to Seba Beach Council
- May 10th: Booth at Wabamun Trade Show, 10 am to 4 pm at Wabamun Jubilee Hall
- Selected dates July & August: Free homesite consultations for Seba Beach residents (contact Kelly Aldridge for more information at 780-953-2695)
- July 13th: Community Presentation: Keeping Wabamun Lake Clean & Clear, 2 pm at the Seba Beach Community Hall
- August 2nd: Booth at Seba Farmer's Market, Noon to 2 pm



What can you do?

- Stay informed about the work of the WWMC by visiting their web site at www.wwmc.ca.
- Ask to be put on the WWMC mailing list by emailing info@wwmc.ca or using the form on the web site.
- Volunteer to help with WWMC education and awareness programs in the watershed.