

ISCCW - Watersmeet Lakeguards
Invasive Species Control Coalition of Watersmeet
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Dear Neighbors,

ISCCW is recognized as one of Michigan's leaders in the fight against Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). We pride ourselves in our extensive AIS Management Plan. We use qualified biologists to monitor the waterways in Watersmeet Township and several border lakes with Wisconsin. We develop and implement plans for each body of water, working with local lake associations as needed. We employ various methods of removal of AIS including hand pulling, Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH), or use of DNR-approved chemicals to control or eradicate Eurasian Water Milfoil (EWM). We ensure the recreational quality of our pristine waters for the benefit of Watersmeet and neighboring townships which encourages tourist traffic and supports our local businesses. Finally, our boat inspection work at landings offers free boat and trailer washings; the best way to control the spread of AIS. This also provides the opportunity to make contact with boat owners and operators to educate and spread awareness of AIS.

Thanks to our ISCCW Boat Washers in 2024:

- 9,453 total watercraft/trailers inspected
- 19,844 total individuals contacted by the boat washers
- Lake landing sites served: Thousand Island, Misery Bay (LVD), Thunder Bay (LVD), Crooked Lake (Sylvania Wilderness), Big Lake (Palmer Bay), Duck Lake, Palmer Lake
- 3,883 total power washed watercraft/trailer

Our funding comes largely from our membership contributions. Your continued support funds approximately half of our operations during the year and is necessary to continue activities in critical areas of lake monitoring, treatment, and support of our boat washing and education efforts. Enclosed is a membership form and a pre-addressed return envelope provided for your convenience. Please join us by completing your membership invitation today or visit isccw.org to learn more about our activities and how to contribute online. Please help us protect our lakes for generations to come!

Sincerely,

Rachel Wheeler

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