

Bass Lake Conservancy District (BLCD) has 3 functions:

- Sewer Management
- Maintain Lake Level
- Lake Water Quality Control

In its commitment improve lake quality, a long-term integrated aquatic vegetation management plan (weed control) was created. Each year the BLCD contracts to have the lake chemically treated to minimize/eliminate the invasive plant Eurasian Milfoil. The cost of the treatment is expensive and the BLCD would like to take additional measures that could save thousands of dollars each year - with your help.

It is of the utmost importance that we all join in this struggle to rid the lake of the Eurasia Milfoil, a harmful plant for swimming, boating and fishing – activities everyone here at the lake enjoy. The negative impact of the milfoil has on native aquatic vegetation reduces game fish populations, water quality, and other factors are well documented. Examples include:

- Damage to boat engines and can jam steering equipment
- Makes the lake unusable by boaters and swimmers
- Degrade Ecosystems
- Reduction of property values
- Effect local economies of water dependent communities

You ask, “What can I do?”

- ✓ If you see Eurasian Milfoil floating without roots -even if only one small piece - get it out of the water and into the trash. One cutting can produce tens of new plants. A PROP CAN PRODUCE HUNDREDS OF NEW PLANTS!
- ✓ If you pull the plant from the roots – GET IT OUT OF THE WATER!
- ✓ Wash your boat, recreational watercraft, etc. and include the motors, trailer wheels, bilge water and live wells. DON'T ALLOW THE WASH WATER BACK INTO THE LAKE!
- ✓ Keep fish tank water from entering the lake. The exotic plants are for aquariums only!

What does Eurasia Milfoil look like?

