

LAKE DELHI VOICE

Newsletter of the Lake Delhi Taxing District and Community—June, 2015

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Message From the Lake District Trustees **Continued Progress and** **Moving Forward!**

As you all know, our Phase 2 construction efforts hit a mild setback on Sunday when a small portion of the temporary construction steel wall that was diverting water from the future spillway site gave way causing flooding through the Phase 2 construction site. Very fortunately work had not begun on constructing the new dike and spillway so no permanent facility was lost or damaged. In addition, all construction equipment had been removed prior to the flooding. The temporary construction wall was in the process of being installed but had not been completely sealed prior to the heavy rains last Thursday and Friday. The Contractor is busily working this morning, less than 48 hours after the problem, to repair the damages and restore the temporary coffer dam.

The timing of the heavy rains was very unfortunate. Your local leaders, in partnership with the contractors and engineers, are all working very closely together to take quick action to repair and improve the temporary construction (coffer) dam and to mitigate any possible future flash flooding events — with the common goal of completing the project as originally scheduled. What everyone needs to understand is that heavy rains like the ones we've had are capable of causing problems in the construction process. Let's hope for better weather in the coming weeks!

In addition, we have great news to share with you in regards to other progress. The dam gates are in the process of being installed — the first new flood gate was installed Tuesday morning, June 16th at 9:30 am. Height 204", Weight 27,000 lbs. We are not sure if it is a boy or girl. First delivery of expected triplets. Second one is expected to arrive on Thursday this week!

And... the Emergency Diesel Generator for the Dam arrived Tuesday this week as well. This piece of equipment is part of the redeveloped Lake Delhi Dam. It's purpose is to provide backup electricity to operate the flood gates in the event the local electrical system is out of service similar to what hospitals use to keep things running.

The following is a link to the news story that was run on KCRG the other night that speaks to the progress Lake Delhi is making toward restoring the Lake by October, 2015.

<http://www.kcrg.com/subject/news/flood-gate-installation-to-continue-after-temporary-wall-failed-at-lake-delhi-site-20150615#Dm6U9W2erkf09OTe.03>

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Dam Construction Update

Top half of Flood Gate being positioned into gate guides for the first time today, Tuesday, June 16th, 2015



Bottom half of gate in place waiting for top half of gate



New Diesel Generator mounted on concrete pad and being electrically hooked up



Constructing the temporary Cofferdam—see page 3 for a spectacular aerial photo



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Turtle Creek Bridge is Open — and Look At The Progress of the Turtle Creek Park Boat Ramp, Bridge, and Parking Area!



A great photo of the fantastic progress of the new taller bridge, beautiful new boat ramp, and parking area near Turtle Creek Park. Rest-room facilities, a beach, and boat docks to come.



A spectacular aerial photo taken a short time ago high above the Lake Delhi dam, showing the Cofferdam installed and preparing for water diversion away from Phase 2 Spillway work site.

Photo taken by Pat Schmitz

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Where/What In The World Is It? CONTEST

***Can you guess what/where this well
known place and landmark is and
win the contest?***

The image below is a landmark somewhere in Iowa. If you guess where/what it is correctly and your name is drawn from all the correct responses submitted, you will win a Free Lake Delhi shirt of your choice. To participate in this contest, you will send an email to LakeDelhiTrustees@LakeDelhi.org, use a Subject of "Where In the World Is It Contest", put your guess in the body of the email, and provide your contact information.

Responses are **Due by 6/25/14**. Good Luck!!!



You can Still Buy a limited edition Lake Delhi Cookbook!

Mary Jo McDermott put together a fantastic Lake Delhi cookbook and has sold many copies while raising money that has been donated to the Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi. You can still buy one of these fantastic cookbooks by contacting Mary Jo at Todmarjo@yousq.net or pick one up at Widner Drug in Manchester.

These cookbooks are a limited run edition, so you would be wise to purchase one of these wonderful Lake Delhi limited edition collector's items while there are still some available! And when you do, you contribute money towards the rebuilding of the dam and restoration of Lake Delhi. It's a great gift!!

Prevent Zebra Mussels from Getting Into Lake Delhi

The Lake Delhi Trustees received a document provided to us by the DNR to advise how to prevent the transport of aquatic species.

You can access it at:

<http://lakedelhi.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Zebra-Mussel-Information.pdf>

Or Just go to LakeDelhi.org, click on the 'Reference Documents' Link, and find the document.

This is one of many types of information we will be forwarding to the lake community as we all get ready for the re-filling of Lake Delhi. We currently do not have any zebra mussels in Lake Delhi. The attached document gives details as to how to avoid bringing the mussels into our lake if you use your boats in other bodies of water. Thanks in advance for reading this information and adhering to the recommendations.

Dock Permit Application Open House for Lake Delhi Property Owners — June 20th

Conservation Officer Jared Landt and Sue O'Loughlin (DNR District Secretary) will host an open house to assist Lake Delhi residents in applying for dock permits on Saturday, June 20, from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the Manchester Trout Hatchery. Appointments can be made ahead of time by calling 563-927-3276 during the week of June 15. Customers can walk in without appointments; however, they may be required to wait for an available time slot. Residents are strongly encouraged to apply online at www.iowadnr.gov/boatdocks using the attached step-by-step directions. The paper applications are no longer being accepted. Whether applying online or in person, having a sketch of your property and dock(s) with all measurements (width of shoreline, dock length/width, offsets, etc.) will aid the permitting process.

Great Quote:

"Things do not happen. Things are made to happen." John F. Kennedy

Lake Delhi Shirt/Apparel Order Form

All Proceeds Go to: The Community Fund to Rebuild Lake Delhi



Item	Color	Price	Size	Order Qty	Ext \$ Amount
Lake Delhi Hooded Sweatshirt (<i>with zipper</i>)		\$30			
Lake Delhi Hooded Sweatshirt 2XL+ (<i>with zipper</i>)		\$35			
Lake Delhi Regular Sweatshirt		\$20			
Lake Delhi Regular Sweatshirt 2XL+		\$25			
Lake Delhi Ladies White T-Shirt	White	\$15			
Lake Delhi Ladies Heather T-Shirt	Heather	\$15			
<i>I Gave a DAM T-Shirt or Dam-Just Build It T-Shirt – White</i>	White	\$15			
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Lake Delhi Polo Shirt – Ladies Style	Yellow	\$30			
Lake Delhi Polo Shirt – Reg Style	Navy	\$30			
Lake Delhi Fleece Jacket	Black	\$40			
Lake Delhi Cap	Gold/Black	\$15			
Lake Delhi Cap	Navy/White	\$15			
Lake Delhi Cap	Royal Blue	\$15			
Lake Delhi <i>Visor</i>		\$10			
				Total \$:	

Name: _____

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