

Lake Committee Report

December 20, 2023

Submitted by Val Helterbran, Lake Chair

- I. **Water Quality:** Salinity is .9—lower than last month and approaching an acceptable number. Phosphorus counts are still out of range.

- II. **Lake Refurbishment:** Attending a HWA event recently with Micky Major and speaking a few days later with our engineer, Jack Archambault, we have learned that there is a great deal of behind the scenes movement on our project. HWA and Lee County are communicating back and forth to determine, first and foremost, if our permitting can be handled administratively in-house (preferred) or whether it must be discussed in an open, public forum, the issue being that HWA is recommending riprap for Zones 3 and 4 (WE3) and said riprap exceeds 25% of the entire lake.

Also being discussed between the two entities are various egress safety measures to employ should someone fall into the lake. This is an issue specific to riprap in Lee County and is why the use of riprap requires a variance in single family home environments.