



Washburn County  
*Planning, Land & Resource Management Department*

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To whom it may concern,

This letter is in support of Des Moines Lake Association application of a 2024 WI DNR AIS Prevention Grant.

In 2018, Washburn and Burnett Counties amended their "No-Transport Ordinance" to include the required use of a decontamination station by boaters, if one is present. The current decontamination station and Clean Boats Clean Waters inspection program, are in full force at Des Moines and Long Lake. Having the station set up for both waterbodies is unique. Adding the hot water pressure washer would be even more effective at removing unwanted invasive species.

Washburn and Burnett County Land and Water Departments collaborate to implement AIS prevention and containment efforts with lake groups. Washburn County's Land and Water Resource Management Plan (Goal 4) focuses on Lake and Stream Protection, including AIS education, prevention, and control. This hot water station supports that goal.

I appreciate your consideration of Des Moines Lake Association's AIS Prevention Grant application.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa Burns".

Lisa Burns  
Washburn County Conservation Coordinator