Subject:                LOFS Update

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From:                    Jim Krygier, on behalf of the Management Committee

It’s time for another update on the Lake of Four Seasons (LOFS) dam, and I am pleased to report that our engineers from 2LMN and Terracon have made significant progress on the construction design for the LOFS remediation. HAH has received a modified design drawing and computer cross-sections that looks quite promising. We will share it with the members once it is certified by 2LMN. The main difference from the original drawing (posted online in March at [www.hideawayhillsclub.com](http://www.hideawayhillsclub.com)) is that design changes will enable us to build the dam lower and still accomplish Class 1 status. We are also hopeful that reduced costs can be accomplished because we will use less material.

2LMN has also completed the Inundation Plan, an ODNR requirement for all earthen dams. The Inundation Plan is primarily a computer projection of what would occur in the event of a “Probable Maximal Flood” and even a dam failure. It is our expectation that ODNR will review and approve this quickly as our engineers and ODNR staff have worked closely on its development. This is an important milestone because without approval the construction plan cannot move forward.

On August 21, Jim Lloyd, Curt Shonk of 2LMN, and I will meet with senior ODNR administrators. The agenda includes our request to reclassify the dam from Class 1 to Class 2 and our updated construction schedule. We are hopeful that elevating the dialogue to senior staff will help to emphasize the importance of the LOFS project to the HAH membership as we suspect that ODNR’s attention has been diverted by the problems at Buckeye Lake and statewide toxic algae blooms. We will let you know how this goes.

Our schedule calls for the constructions plans to be finalized by our engineering consultants and then be submitted to ODNR for project approval by early September. Meanwhile, the water level of the LOFS has remained at approximately 812 feet above sea level, 3.5 feet below normal pool level. We expect it will stay there for the next month or so and then we will slowly begin lowering the lake so that construction can begin as soon as is wise in 2016.

We also continue to discuss finance options but will hold off on a final plan until we are more certain of the final project cost. Please be assured that Hide-A-Way Hills Club Members will have ample time to review the plan and discuss any recommendations before any vote is scheduled.

Thank you for your patience and support. As a reminder, this topic is discussed at every Management Committee meeting (second and fourth Tuesdays) and at each Board meeting on the third Tuesday of each month. You are encouraged to attend to ensure you are getting the most accurate and current information on this topic between email briefings.