

PETITION TO THE WRIGHT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TO ESTABLISH A LAKE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HEREBY PETITION the Wright County Board of Commissioners to establish a Public Inland Lake Protection and Rehabilitation District pursuant to authority vested in it by Public Law 378, Chapters 41-57 of the Minnesota State Statutes, as amended.

ARTICLES OF PETITION

WE STATE OR BELIEVE:

1. That the petitioners herein are owners of land to be included within the proposed district.
2. That the District, if established, shall be known as the Lake Pulaski Improvement District.
3. That currently Lake Pulaski is experiencing an extremely high water level, very close to the natural high water level as established by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and that the water level is continuing to rise, specifically endangering many structures adjacent to the lake and the public and private sewage and septic systems adjacent to the lake. As a result, the public health, comfort, convenience or public welfare is endangered.
4. That the objective of the District will be to alleviate as many of the problems above as are within economic and scientific feasibility.
5. That to achieve the objective of the District, a comprehensive investigation will be initiated to determine problem sources and a thorough short-range and long-range plan will be instituted to correct those sources and problems, including but not limited to those listed above.  
  
A more detailed statement of the type or types of water resource management programs to be undertaken, including studies, remedial actions and/or construction projects is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
6. That the proposed programs by the District shall be financed through the following means:
  - a) Federal grant money made available through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 314 Clean Lakes Program, or other applicable federal programs.
  - b) State grant money made available through the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) to supplement the EPA 314 Clean Lakes Program, or other applicable state programs.
  - c) District tax assessments by the authority of Wright County.
7. A map showing the boundaries of the proposed lake improvement district and the number and location of permanent homes and seasonal dwellings in the district is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".
8. That there exists a high degree of public interest and commitment to the preservation of Lake Pulaski and its uses, not only from the property owners adjacent to the lake, but also in the surrounding area. The DNR considers Lake Pulaski an important lake resource in that area.
9. That the total equalized valuation of the property within the District is estimated to be \$ 2,954,463.00.

10. That implementation of any of the programs forwarded in Articles 4 and 5 of this Petition will have minimum impact on adjacent lands or waters. (See attached Corps of Engineers Report attached hereto as Exhibit "C").
11. That currently there exist two (2) public landings (accesses) to Lake Pulaski and two (2) public beaches, all of which are affected and endangered by the current high water levels. With some upgrading, the current access to Lake Pulaski should be adequate.
12. That the existing public access to Lake Pulaski is regulated by the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources as governed by Section 97.48, Subd. 15 of the Minnesota State Game and Fish Regulations, and is under no influence of local or regional ordinances.
13. That the District Board of Directors will be comprised of five (5) members, to be appointed by the County Board at a later date from a list of ten (10) nominees. The initial Board of Directors shall include persons owning property within the District, at least two (2) of whom are residents of the District.