



BLACK LAKE SPECIAL DISTRICT

Black Lake Special District Meeting
Monday, August 18, 2025 • 6:15 pm

ACTION ITEMS:

- Lake will review the contract threshold for public notice obligations.
- Cory will reach out to NW Aquatics to schedule special meeting in the fall.
- Cory will request sonar maps from NW Aquatics to evaluate before-and-after conditions.
- Cory will gather resident feedback on current weed conditions.
- Lake will contact the Department of Ecology for more historical data.

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order – **Chair Stintzi called the meeting to order at 615 pm.**
2. Roll Call
 - a. Lake Stintzi – Present
 - b. Kirk Vanlandeghen – Present
 - c. Cory Freeborn - Present
3. Approval of Agenda – **It was moved, seconded, and unanimously passed to approve the agenda as presented.**
4. Approval of Consent Agenda – **It was moved, seconded, and unanimously passed to approve the consent agenda.**
 - a. July 28, 2025 Minutes
 - b. Financials – **It was moved, seconded, and unanimously passed to approve the financials as presented.**
 - c. Payment Transmittal and Invoices

(Funds) Voucher (Warrant)	Total
Invoice #1	\$2500

5. Old Business
 - a. Website
 - i. Lake updated the website by removing outdated content and adding a link for residents to report algae bloom concerns to Thurston County.
 - ii. A link to Thurston County Lake Advisories was also added.
 - iii. Recent water sample analysis confirmed no harmful results.
 - b. Newsletter
 - i. Lake proposed presenting a final edited version of the newsletter at the next meeting. It will include:
 - Questionnaire links
 - Graphics
 - Development maps
 - ii. Intended recipients: parcel owners, county commissioners, Environmental Health, Road Services, and Department of Ecology.
 - iii. Kirk suggested including Ecology in the mailing list.



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6. New Business

- a. Outline for Vegetation Management Plan prepared by Carlos Herrera (attached) and next steps
 - i. Carlos confirmed that he followed county procurement guidelines but recommended a simplified RFP format, in line with state auditor requirements.
 - ii. *Lake will review the contract threshold for public notice obligations.*
 - iii. The board discussed limiting RFP distribution to 4–6 firms with a justification for that approach.
 - iv. *OrgSupport will provide word processing support for the RFP for the Vegetation Management Plan.*
 - v. Kirk suggested requiring site preview responsibilities in the RFP.
 - vi. Carlos will draft the RFP and highlight areas where the board needs to provide input.
 - vii. The target timeline is to release the RFP in late fall and apply for a vegetation management plan grant by December for a spring 2026 implementation.
 - viii. Cory proposed forming a committee with Kirk and including Carlos as an advisor (eligible for reimbursement).
- b. Water Residence Testing and Floridone Implementation for 2026
 - i. Cory reported that NW Aquatics conducted sonar mapping post-treatment.
 - ii. Cory proposed inviting Kyle and Steve from NW Aquatics to a board meeting to discuss treatment effectiveness, Floridone options, and application methods.
 - iii. *Cory will reach out to NW Aquatics to schedule a special meeting in the fall, potentially hosted at his home.*
- c. Current lake weed conditions and possible need for second treatment
 - i. Kirk supported a second treatment in the same areas.
 - ii. Cory will gather resident feedback on current weed conditions.
 - iii. Lake noted that herbicide effectiveness declines after mid-September.
 - iv. *Cory will request sonar maps from NW Aquatics to evaluate before-and-after conditions.*
- d. Overview of Aquatic Herbicide Permit
 - i. Lake shared a link to Department of Ecology source documents.
 - ii. Plans to publish this information on the website.
 - iii. Kirk suggested the RFP should include up to five years of permit data and lake levels.
 - iv. Lake currently holds three years of annual reports. *Lake will contact the Department of Ecology for more historical data.*

7. Items from the Floor - No additional items were presented.

8. Public Communication – *Limit of 3 minutes per person. Zoom host will provide warning when 30 seconds remain. Meeting minutes will only reflect the name of the person speaking.

- a. Fran Clifton

9. Adjournment of Public Meeting – **With no further business, Chair Stintzi adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm.**

Next Meeting: September 15, 2025