

Aquatic Consumption

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Draft issue statement:

Issue Source	Resource Issue	Priority Issue?	Specific Resource Identified	Category Type
Shell Rock River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	3 Lakes Not Supporting Aquatic Consumption			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	North Fountain Lake was listed in 2008 as impaired for aquatic consumption. Fountain Lake’s North, East and West Bays are impaired for aquatic consumption due to high levels of mercury in fish tissue. The North Bay was added to the impaired waters list in 2008 while East and West Bays were added to the impaired waters list in 2012. Fountain Lake receives over 50% of its phosphorus load from internal loading so District efforts to reduce internal loading are well targeted.		Fountain Lake	Concern

Aquatic Recreation

Draft issue statement:

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Shell Rock River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	5 Lakes Not Supporting Aquatic Recreation			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	Modest to Poor Lake Water Quality			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	Nutrient Eutrophication			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	No Assessed Streams Fully Support Aquatic Recreation			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	High Bacteria Levels			Concern
Winnebago River Watershed Stressor Identification Report	Bacteria Impairments			Concern
Winnebago River Watershed Stressor Identification Report	Eutrophication Impairments			Concern
Winnebago River and Upper Wapsipinicon River Watershed Monitoring and Assessment Report	Eutrophication Impaired Lakes			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load Implementation Plan	High Nutrients			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load Implementation Plan	Failing SSTS			Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load Implementation Plan	Feedlot Runoff			Concern
Freeborn County Comprehensive Water Plan Amendment to Implementation 2016-2021	Goal #6 - Provide recreational opportunities on public waters (shoreland)	yes		Value
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	Bacteria from ISTS and Feedlots		Shell Rock River	Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	The MPCA has listed Bancroft Creek and Wedge Creek as impaired for aquatic recreation due to high bacteria levels. The District's streams have been heavily channelized and now have a low gradient and fair to poor habitat.		Bancroft Creek Wedge Creek	Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	Phosphorus in lakes has two primary sources: external and internal loading. External loading is a result of sediment and pollutants carried off the landscape by stormwater runoff and deposited into the lake by upstream waters. Internal loading is caused by phosphorus rich bottom sediments being released into the water column by a multitude of processes.		Fountain Lake	Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	Albert Lea Lake as impaired aquatic recreation due to excess nutrients		Albert Lea Lake	Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	Pickeral Lake, upstream of Albert Lea Lake, was also listed due to excess nutrients in 2008		Pickeral Lake	Concern
Shell Rock River Watershed Water Management Plan	White Lake was assessed as impaired for aquatic recreation during the same assessment cycle (2008)		White Lake	Concern
Albert Lea Lake Watershed Management Plan DRAFT	Changing land use		Albert Lea Lake Pickeral Lake	Concern
2019 05 29 Shell Rock 1W1P DNR Comments.pdf	Public lands are limited in the watershed and access to these properties should be enhanced. Several recreation access projects are underway within the watershed. Focus is needed to complete these ongoing projects while adding public access on resources that lack such an access.	Yes		Concern
2019 05 29 Shell Rock 1W1P DNR Comments.pdf	There are high priority lakes in the Shell Rock and Winnebago River watersheds that support significant fisheries. These lakes offer recreational resources, abundant native aquatic plant communities with high species diversity and improved water quality.	Yes	na	Value

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Survey	Fishing			Value
Survey	Clean water for our waterfowl and fishing lakes as well as recreation.			Value
Survey	Water quality for both Fountain Lake and Albert Lea Lake as well as other local lakes,rivers/streams.Getting rid of the algae from all bodies of water.Making the lakes clean enough for swimming		Fountain Lake, Albert Lea Lake	Value
Survey	Safe and clean water for recreation			Value
Survey	Clean and navigational waterways and lakes (by lake dredging, upstream filtering and invasive species management, etc), preserving and improving ecosystems of wildlife especially fish and migratory birds and expanding the public access/enjoyment of area natural areas such as lakes, parks and wetlands.			Value
Survey	safe environment for people and wildlife, recreational opportunities, sustainability, sustainable use of resources meaning that future generations can use the natural resources.			Value
Survey	Water sports and recreation over natural habitat and clean water			Concern
Kickoff	Clean water trails and lakes for recreation			Value
Kickoff	Quiet places to escape to and enjoy the natural world			Value
Kickoff	Clean water for recreating			Value
Kickoff	Cleaner water for recreation			Value
Kickoff	Recreation			Value
Kickoff	Animals and fish - having fish and animals to hunt/catch, recreation			Value
Kickoff	Unwillingness to change habits that pollute. "culture"			Concern
Kickoff	I am interested in keeping as much nature as possible for recreation like hiking, boating and camping			Value
Kickoff	I care about the future of fishing in our lakes. I would like to see it flourish.			Value
Kickoff	Want to swim and fish safely again			Value
Albert Lea Lake Watershed Management Plan DRAFT	Protect and enhance fish and wildlife habitat and water recreational facilities.	Yes	Albert Lea Lake	Strategy
BWSR response to notification Shell Rock Winnebago.docx	Lakes – There are many lakes within the planning area that are valued for their recreational opportunities. All are considered shallow lakes by the Minnesota DNR's definition, and seven are currently listed as impaired for aquatic recreation by the MPCA. Due to their shallow nature and high phosphorus levels, BMPs that reduce phosphorus movement in the watershed and restoration efforts are important to help improve recreational opportunities and address re-suspension of that phosphorus throughout the open water season. Because of its location at the top of the watershed, Albert Lea Lake may be of particular concern.	Yes		Strategy

Public Safety

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Albert Lea Lake Watershed Management Plan DRAFT	Abandoned wells	No		Concern
Albert Lea Lake Watershed Management Plan DRAFT	Land use and hazardous byproducts	No		Concern
Survey	safe environment for people and wildlife, recreational opportunities, sustainability, sustainable use of resources meaning that future generations can use the natural resources.			Value
Survey	Wondering if the water is safe for swimming and fishing			Concern
Kickoff	Water is safe for humans and wildlife			Value
Kickoff	Clean water for healthy living			Value
Kickoff	I care about what is growing in our lakes and the safety to humans and animals and fish			Value
Kickoff	I love fresh air (nonpolluted)			Value
Kickoff	I am afraid of my grandkids swimming in the lake we live on (Fountain) even though they have life preservers on, if they came off accidentally. They might be lost in the cloudy water and drown.		Fountain Lake	Value
Kickoff	Being able to fish and swim in water without getting sick (care about not having blue-green algae blooms)			Value