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From: Kayla Hellum <watershed@lica.ca>
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Subject: Letter of Support Request for the Aquatic Invasive Species Fund

Good afternoon,

LICA will be applying for the [Aquatic Invasive Species Fund](#) for the Beaver River watershed. The intent of this multi-year grant funding is to increase the prevention, early detection, and response efforts of aquatic invasive species (AIS) in our region. If LICA is a successful recipient of this grant, this funding will support increased disbursement of AIS educational resources, will implement a monitoring program for various AIS and where/if AIS are detected, the implementation of necessary control efforts.

LICA is seeking letters of support to accompany this grant application. We hope you find value in the following project components that will benefit your County/Municipality located within the Beaver River watershed.

- Implement an Aquatic Invasive Species monitoring program at a variety of lakes in the watershed. Testing will be completed for a variety of invasive species.
- Offer a voluntary public boat cleaning station at different locations during high-traffic weekends for lake users.
- Increased dispersal of educational resources.
- Installation of AIS educational signage at priority lakes.
- Implement AIS control measures where necessary.

Priority lakes for the monitoring program will be determined based on the threat of AIS spread due to public access/boat launch and the number of residents around the lake.

I am hopeful that you will be in support of this project by providing a letter of support to accompany the application. Letters of Support are needed by August 22nd. In addition, if you have input regarding priority lakes for monitoring and sign installation or a location to host the voluntary boat cleaning station, please let me know.

Please let me know if you have any questions, I look forward to hearing your response.

Kindly,

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