

August 19, 2009

Dear Portage City Council:

At the recent Austin Lake Riparian board meeting held on August 12, 2009, our board voted to bring a proposal to Portage City Council allowing the Austin Lake Governmental Board to investigate lake muck remediation through the use of aeration. We feel that there is a significant interest in this project based on a petition circulated in December of 2008 which had 55% of south bay residents supporting a project of this nature. Although we understand that the specific costs and acceptance criteria outlined in the petition are no longer valid, we believe the petition supports a significant interest in this project by lake property owners.

Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions or if additional information is needed. I have attached a copy of the meeting minutes documenting the decision of our board to send this proposal to city council.

Sincerely yours,

Kirk Wolf

President, Austin Lake Riparian Association