

BOOT LAKE ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZATIONAL COMMENTS

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In April, Bob Frost circulated a questionnaire to residents in the Boot Lake area to determine whether there was sufficient interest to attempt to organize a lake association. The following is a synopsis of additional comments residents placed on their questionnaires:

Organizational Comments: **# of Responses**

- Publish positive impact of a lake association to residents 1
- Invite members from another lake association to an organizational meeting 1
- Visit other lake association meetings 1
- "Even though we aren't year round residents, we are very interested." 2
- A lake association is long overdue. 2
- Lake association purpose: Mutual support of environmental conservation, right to private property/privacy, and social activities 2
- More can be accomplished through a group 2
- Looking forward to meeting other people in the area 3
- Cautious that differences of opinions do not divide residents 1
- Need to work together to keep lake and surrounding area clean and natural 1

Lake Quality Comments:

- Lake was cleaner in the '60's 2
- DNR tests show Boot Lake water quality is decreasing 3
- Water clarity in 1961 was 30 ft.; now it is about half that. 1

Animal Life Comments:

- What impact do small watercraft have on the loon population? 1

Fish Population Comments:

- The Boot Lake Sportsmen's Club's, formed in the 50's, sole purpose was to improve fishing. Residents and DNR cooperation was magnificent. 1

Environmental Conservation Comments:

- Preserve Boot Lake's natural heritage and surrounding area 1
- Interested in shoreline management 1
- Prevent large scale animal operations within two miles. 1
- Support/review existing development covenants 1

Other Comments:

- Common voice for property tax reduction 1
- Not in favor of a Boot Lake Association:
 - a) supporting any political party 1
 - b) limiting use of lake for recreation/fishing 1
 - c) limiting use of firearms recreation or hunting 1
 - d) limiting freedom to own dogs or cats 1