

A photograph of two bald eagles perched on a large, weathered piece of driftwood. The eagles are facing each other, with one slightly ahead of the other. The background is a lush, green forest with a body of water visible in the lower left corner. The scene is captured in a natural, outdoor setting.

Christie Lake Stewardship Committee Update - July 2010

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Committee (LSGC)**

Our Purpose

“The maintenance of a healthy balance in the ecosystem of Christie Lake through the sustainable actions of its residents and stakeholders.”

Where Are We

The Lake Stewardship Guideline Committee (LSGC)

- Formed in July 2007
- Guide community through process
- Completed Christie Lake 'State of the Lake' Report – Summer 2009
- 1st Survey January 2008
- 2nd Survey February 2009
- Developing a Lake Stewardship Guideline

Important Factors

- Promote communication & education
- Seek community feedback and support
 - Promote discussion & consensus
- Organize Social and educational events
 - Organize workshops
 - Protect that which is valued
 - Translate into action with a LSG

Why a Stewardship Guideline

- Natural progression from ‘State of the Lake Report’
- Implement lake stewardship activities of interest to our community
- Sets goals and objectives for the protection and enhancement of our lake health

Supported Recommendations

- **Water quality**
- **Restore and maintain shoreline habitat**
- **Protect fish communities and fish habitat**
- **Sustainable development**
- **Building a Sense of Community**
- **Maintain and improve wildlife habitat**
- **Educate on safe and environmentally friendly watercraft practices**

Way Ahead

- **Develop a draft Lake Stewardship Guideline**
- **Focus on the 7 supported areas of concern**
- **Identify what needs to be done, how, frequency, with whom and purpose**
- **Throughout process involve community**