

March 19, 2025

Dear Sir or Maam,

I am writing to remind you of an important maintenance project scheduled to take place at our DuBay dam in 2025, which will affect lake levels throughout next year's boating season. We last communicated with you on August 28, 2024, and wanted to follow-up indicating we have received approval to proceed with the construction.

After routine inspections in April 2024, and subsequent evaluations by an engineering firm specialized in dam safety, some weathered steel was discovered in the walkway support structure. While temporary repairs were successfully completed to the walkway support structure last summer, a full replacement of the walkway is planned to ensure the continued safety and reliability of the dam's operations. This construction project is scheduled to take place throughout 2025. The design plans received FERC approval earlier this month. The project timeline now depends on the duration of the spring runoff, but we expect to commence work in June 2025 and continue for the duration of the calendar year.

To safely conduct these repairs, CWPCo will maintain the headwater elevation at 1114.30 feet +/- 0.3 feet, which will result in the lake level being approximately 6-8 inches lower than what residents and boaters typically experience. This lower elevation is similar to the levels maintained during the temporary repairs completed in the summer of 2024. **As we begin to raise the headwater elevation this spring, we plan on HOLDING the elevation at our construction elevation.** However, should a significant rainfall event require us to temporarily raise elevations we would do that for safe dam operations. At this time, users of the DuBay flowage should plan for this elevation for the entire boating season.

We will be re-issuing a news release to WAOW Channel 9, WSAU Channel 7 and the Wausau Daily Herald to inform property owners and community members in advance so they can prepare accordingly when installing docks for the 2025 boating season. Please note that we do not plan to release ongoing updates to the media during the construction phase, but we will periodically keep you informed of any significant developments. Feel free to share this letter with your constituents, post at the Town Halls, etc. Additionally, to help spread the word near Lake DuBay, we provided notices to local restaurants, gas stations, campgrounds, bait shops near the lake and posted notices at all our boat launch facilities.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we undertake this essential work. Should you or the Property Owners Association have questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 715-422-3073 or martin.burkhardt@billerud.com.

Sincerely,

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