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is a periodic publication that contains information relevant to our District's constituents.

Interview With Jerry Sellers

Question # 1 What is a typical day in your life as the LMC coordinator like?

I am not sure there is a typical day for me, that is what makes the position interesting. What is typical is that I will on average spend 3-4 hours a day on some sort of LMC business, 5 days a week. Much of what I do involves talking to various state agencies and or people involved in providing services or affecting our lake and its watershed. This would include outside consultants and contractors providing services to the RCD.

Most recently I project managed the removal of silt from the Silt Basin on Flagg Road. I provide some oversight and direction to the various project managers that report in to me i.e. Wild Life Manager, VLMP Manager, Fish Stocking / Shocking Manager. These volunteer managers provide invaluable time and energies to their respective responsibilities all of which benefit Lost Lake or our watershed. It is not unusual for me to make as many as 4 phone calls a day related to LMC business and send 2-3 emails.

2 Why did you volunteer for this important position in the RCD organization?

At the time I volunteered to become LMC Chairperson I was Vice President of the

RCD. Because of the Open Meetings Act it was going to be difficult if not impossible for a board member to hold impromptu meetings and coordinate activities within the watershed.

I resigned from the board and volunteered to put together a lake management organization reporting into the RCD and the LMC was born.

3 Are you paid to do this job?

No, I am not paid to do this job.

4 How long have you been doing the job of LMC coordinator?

I began in 2006 in January by putting together a mission statement, goals and some program manager's position descriptions.

5 What kind of help would you like to have from district volunteers?

There are a couple of Program Manager Opportunities that need to be filled. One is for Dredging and the other is for Watershed Management.

The LMC was also looking for a Lake Shore Stabilization Manager. We have now procured the services of our outside consultant Jadeco to fill the Shoreline position and the

other two remain open.

#6 What would you say to anyone who just doesn't want to "get involved" through volunteering?

We all have our priorities,



Jerry Sellers
LMC Coordinator

however it is difficult to understand why someone would not want to improve/enhance their community through the giving of their time.

#7 Any final thoughts on the future of Lost Lake?

I believe that every step is being taken to by the LMC to fulfill our Mission Statement "to promote understanding and comprehensive management of lake and watershed ecosystems".

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