



The Green Sheet

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For Sale: "Vibo" 24 Foot - Aluminum Pontoon Lift (3600 Pound Capacity)
Model # 36108 Cantilever Style Lift (9' Foot 1" Inch between vertical uprights)
Including: Pontoon Guide Rails / 24 Foot - Aluminum Canopy
Canopy Cover / Four Wheels / Price = \$2,500. Cash Only - No Checks
(320) 743 - 2549

For Sale: 2001 Ercoa pontoon 21' with 70HP - Norm 320-281-4920
Can e-mail pictures if you like. \$3990.00

For Sale: Dried Red Oak Firewood / \$160.00 Per Full cord (4' x 8' x 4' high)
Northwest End of Lake Julia / (320) 743 - 2549 / Denny

In Mid-August several others and I noticed a pump (with no markings of ownership) parked alongside the ramp at the Rush Lake access. It was on a substantial trailer and had two, four to six inch hoses, one for intake and the other outflow. The outflow hose was in the parking lot and the inflow one was coiled on the trailer in the lake. We were curious if this was something the DNR allowed or not. So, I spoke with them.



The HARDDRIVES pump placed at the Rush Lake Access to provide water to control the dust from the County Road 16 resurfacing project.

See reverse ..

PUMP ON RUSH—CONT'D

My source at the Sauk Rapids DNR office said no permit is needed if a person takes less than 10,000 gallons of water/day or 1,000,000 per year. Even from a DNR access. (This is the same amount property owners living around lakes can use from the lake without a permit.) The pumper is not allowed to pump or drain anything into the lake and is assumed to have a check valve in the intake system to prevent back flushing. The pumper is also assumed to be aware of the issues involved in preventing the spread of aquatic invasive species when introducing the intake tube into the lake. My source would check if there was a permit attached to the pump for water use and would contact the construction companies doing the repaving of County Road 16 to see if the pump belonged to them.

Subsequent to this conversation, a caller informed me the pumper was from HARDDRIVES and if the pump was left in the lake over the Labor Day Holiday, it could be a liability due to the extra volume of access users. I hadn't thought of that, so I passed it on to the County Road 16 HARDDRIVES Project Manager. During our conversation he explained he had a permit to pump 25,000 gallons per day and a 3 million gallon total from Rush Lake. Because the engine on the pump was gasoline and its tank held around 1½ gallons, the trailer didn't need any fuel spillage containment. (Small amounts of gas spread out and evaporate pretty fast.) He said containment was only required if the fuel tank was five gallons or larger. He planned to remove the pump for the holiday weekend then place it back in service. The repaving project's need to use the water for dust control for the people who live in the construction area would end, he said, within three weeks after the holiday and the pump removed. The last time I boated through Rush Lake the pump was gone.

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