



MLSA
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Protecting Michigan's Lakes & Streams

Goals and Objectives of the Michigan Lakes and Streams Association

Providing Education for waterfront property owners:

Monthly (or more) newsletter - free subscriptions

Quarterly magazine - *The Michigan Riparian*

- Also available digitally

Annual Conference and partner conferences:

- MiCorps conference each fall
- MLSA Annual Conference each spring
- MILP Conference in fall of even years
- Shoreline and Shallows Conference in winter of odd years

Publications:

- Books - Nuts and Bolts, Buying and Selling, Practical Guide
- Brochures - available for members and on our website for download

Best Management Practices protect and restore the freshwater of Michigan for ecosystems and human health:

- Shifting minds and hearts to sustainable living, especially on the water
 - Changing landscape fashions with natural shorelines and rain gardens
 - Aquatic vegetation
 - No fertilizer/weed control
 - Reduction of impervious surfaces
 - Trees

Providing Support for capacity building:

Bringing lake and stream organizations together regionally

- Sharing best practices and solutions

Organizing as an association

Using local and state government to advocate for lake and stream issues

Scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students

MiCorps Cooperative Lake Monitoring Administration: volunteer training and support

Problem Solving Issues facing waterfront property owners:

Aquatic Invasive Species

Balancing agriculture, development, and conservation

Water Quality monitoring and protecting

Navigating EGLE and permitting for shoreline projects

Effects of Boat Wakes

PFAS

HABs

Working with Partners throughout the state:

DNR, EGLE, MSU, MILP, MNSP, McNALMS, MEC, Watershed Councils, Conservation Districts, Associations

Improve Reach and Membership:

Mymlsa.org - resources and membership benefits

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