

JANUARY 15, 2013 CARP UPDATE

Tony Havranek, St. Croix Chippewa Tribe Biologist, contacted me today with an update to the planned "under ice" carp removal to take place this winter. The last two years the permit for the removal has been classified as experimental. This year however, the state has required that we put the removal out for open bid. Unfortunately for us, the winning bid was not JR Fisheries whom we have been working with since the beginning of this process. Tony indicated he has transmitters in 7 carp in which they have been monitoring. The checking that has been done by airplane has indicated they are still congregating in the SunFish Bay area. I will keep everyone up to date as I receive new information from Tony.

Tom Stoffel

Clam Lake PRD

MARCH 11, 2013 CARP UPDATE

On March 11, 2013, our latest effort to remove the carp was unsuccessful. The carp were located by Tony, Biologist with the St. Croix Chippewa, using electronic equipment plus the tags that are in the carp, in close proximity to Camp Northland Resort. Jeff from JR Fisheries (JR Fisheries was granted the permit for this year because the original bid winner defaulted on his contract) had put in the nets on the north side and was in the process of putting in the net for the south side and because of the noise from drilling the holes, (the carp are very spooky) the carp were on the move. If the carp had gone north they would have gone right into the net and we would have had a "boat load" again. Unfortunately, they headed south and we ended up with zip. Tony is going to be in contact with Jeff of JR Fisheries to plan future removals; they want to hopefully make another under ice removal yet this winter followed by another attempt right after ice out.

I will update when I have new info. Tom Stoffel, Clam Lake PRD.