

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Workshop

When: May 9th, 2025

Where: Washburn County Services Center- 304 2nd Street Shell Lake, WI 54871

Time: 5:00-7:00pm

The Washburn County Land and Water Conservation Department is hosting a free AIS Citizen Lake Monitoring Workshop. AIS monitoring involves searching the lake for aquatic invasive species like Eurasian watermilfoil, zebra mussels, rusty crayfish, and others. The frequency that volunteers perform AIS monitoring varies, but most volunteers do this a few times per year. Most volunteers conduct AIS monitoring in high-risk sites around their lakes (like boat landings) to detect early populations of AIS. Early detection of AIS is crucial for effective management, so these volunteers are incredibly valuable.

Welcome & Introductions

- What lake will you monitor or are you interested in monitoring?

Aquatic Invasive Species information

- Why are they a problem
- What lakes have AIS?
- Species Identification
- Look at real examples



Citizen Monitoring

- Why monitor for aquatic invasive species?
- Setting up a monitoring team
- How and when to monitor
- Distribute kit and discuss forms

***To register, please contact Lisa Burns at 715-468-4654 or email lburns@co.washburn.wi.us**