

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
MASTODON TOWNSHIP, IRON COUNTY**

LAKE MARY LAKE AQUATIC WEEDS - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

TO: ALL RECORD OWNERS OF OR PARTIES IN INTEREST IN LAND IN THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT DESCRIBED BELOW:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of Mastodon Township, Iron County, Michigan ("Township"), will hold a special meeting with a public hearing at **5:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at the Mastodon Township Hall (1371 Hwy US 2 South, Crystal Falls, MI 49920)**, to review the proposed special assessment roll and hear objections thereto from record owners of land in the Township for improvements to Lake Mary by methods including by not limited to: (1) aquatic weeds and plant control and/or eradication; and (2) other lake improvements related to aquatic weed and plant control and/or eradication such as water quality testing, algae control, and general related lake improvements and education to the public (referred to as the "Lake Mary Lake Improvements"), at an estimated cost to the Special Assessment District as outlined in Exhibit A of the Mastodon Township Lake Mary Lake Improvements (*Resolution 2 of 4*), among other sources, that is available for inspection by the public, in a special assessment district described herein. The improvements and the special assessment district established by the Township Board as the district against which the cost of the improvements are to be assessed are generally described as follows:

Proposed Lake Mary Lake Improvements: Aquatic weeds and plant control and/or eradication; and other lake improvements related to aquatic weed and plant control and/or eradication such as water quality testing, algae control, and general related lake improvements and education to the public. **Annual assessments are estimated for most properties at \$160.00 for a three-year term beginning in 2025 and ending in 2027. Please contact the Township if you would like to know your exact proposed assessment on the special assessment roll.**

Proposed Special Assessment District: All properties that have private legal access to Lake Mary (front lots and backlots). Periodic redeterminations of costs may be necessary for the project without a change to the special assessment district and such redeterminations may be made without further notice to record owners or parties in interest of properties.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the petitions and plans showing the proposed Lake Mary Lake Improvements, locations and estimated costs, and the proposed special assessment district are on file with the Township Clerk, Karen Mallon, 1371 Hwy US 2 South, Crystal Falls, MI 49920, for public examination during ordinary business hours and at the public hearing. The special assessment proposal would assess the cost of the proposed improvements to the properties benefiting therefrom.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the owner or any person having an interest in property within the proposed district may file a written appeal with the Michigan Tax Tribunal within thirty (30) days after confirmation of the special assessment roll. However, appearance and protest at the public hearing on the special assessment roll are required in order to appeal the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner or other party of interest or his or her agent may (1) appear in person at the hearing to protest the special assessment, or (2) file his or her appearance or protest by letter before the close of the hearing.

The Township Board shall maintain a record of parties who appear to protest at the hearing. If the hearing is terminated or adjourned for the day before a party is provided the opportunity to be heard, a party whose appearance was recorded shall be considered to have protested the special assessment in person. Information as to how to submit an objection petition of written objections to the Lake Mary Lake Improvements under Act 188 can be found in MCL 41.723.

Mastodon Township will provide auxiliary aids or services to individuals with disabilities. Persons needing such services should contact the office of the Township Clerk by writing or calling the Clerk not less than four days before the public hearing.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

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