



## MINONG FLOWAGE ASSOCIATION

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TO: MFA's website for general public's access  
FROM: MFA Board of Directors  
SUBJECT: Lake water level management

Greetings to all:

The recent heavy rainfall and the resulting flow-through of water into the Minong Flowage system caused many of us great concern and "flash backs" to the 2016 flood. Extraordinary rainfall events test our equipment, management and patience at such times.

Through the course of the week we struggled to consolidate the facts, ascertain the actions of key personnel and communicate that information. Through the course of it all, we learned that:

1. The initial drop in the lake's water level was done in anticipation of an influx of water from the storms.
2. The following rise in the lake's water level was due to the sheer volume of water entering the system.
3. Our direct communications with Washburn County managers needs improvement.

Representatives from the Board of Directors have been, and will be, working with Washburn County management personnel to improve our communications in this regard with the intent efficiently communicating with them, and our MFA constituents.

Through it all, we ask that folks remember that all of the MFA board members are volunteers who work on lake management issues as their personal time allows, and offer their best efforts in such regard.

Thank you for your continued support.