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Ted Ritter  
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Dear Ted,

Enclosed is a summary of USDA-Wildlife Services beaver control activities from 2006 thru May 2009. As you know our program starts around mid April and continues through October each year. During this time we conduct ground surveys, along with periodic aerial surveys to locate any beaver and dam activity. Since 2006 we have been removing beaver and beaver dams on Muskellunge Creek through our Cooperative Service Agreement. The attached spreadsheet shows removal totals by year. Overall thru May of this year, a total of 16 beaver and 59 beaver dams have been removed from the creek.

As we discussed the water quality appears to be very good. However roadway culverts in the creek are still a problem for the overall flow of the stream.

We will continue our control efforts thru October of this year. If your lake Association would like to continue this program in 2010, we would be happy to set-up another Cooperative Service Agreement.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Kelly Thiel  
Project Leader

cc: Bob Willging  
Dave Ruid



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# MUSKELLUNGE CREEK - ST. GERMAIN PROJECT

1-1-2006 through 7-27-2009

(This is raw data and has not been validated by WS Headquarters)

| YEAR                   | COUNTY | AGREEMENT                       | BEAVER<br>REMOVED | DAMS<br>DUG | DAMS<br>BLOWN | TOTAL<br>DAMS REMOVED |
|------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 2006                   | Vilas  | Muskellunge Creek - St. Germain | 4                 | 43          | 1             | 44                    |
| 2007                   | Vilas  | Muskellunge Creek - St. Germain | 2                 | 6           | 0             | 6                     |
| 2008                   | Vilas  | Muskellunge Creek - St. Germain | 8                 | 9           | 0             | 9                     |
| 2009 (through 5/31/09) | Vilas  | Muskellunge Creek - St. Germain | 2                 | 0           | 0             | 0                     |
|                        |        | <b>Totals</b>                   | <b>16</b>         | <b>58</b>   | <b>1</b>      | <b>59</b>             |