

**LAKE PEWAUKEE SANITARY DISTRICT**



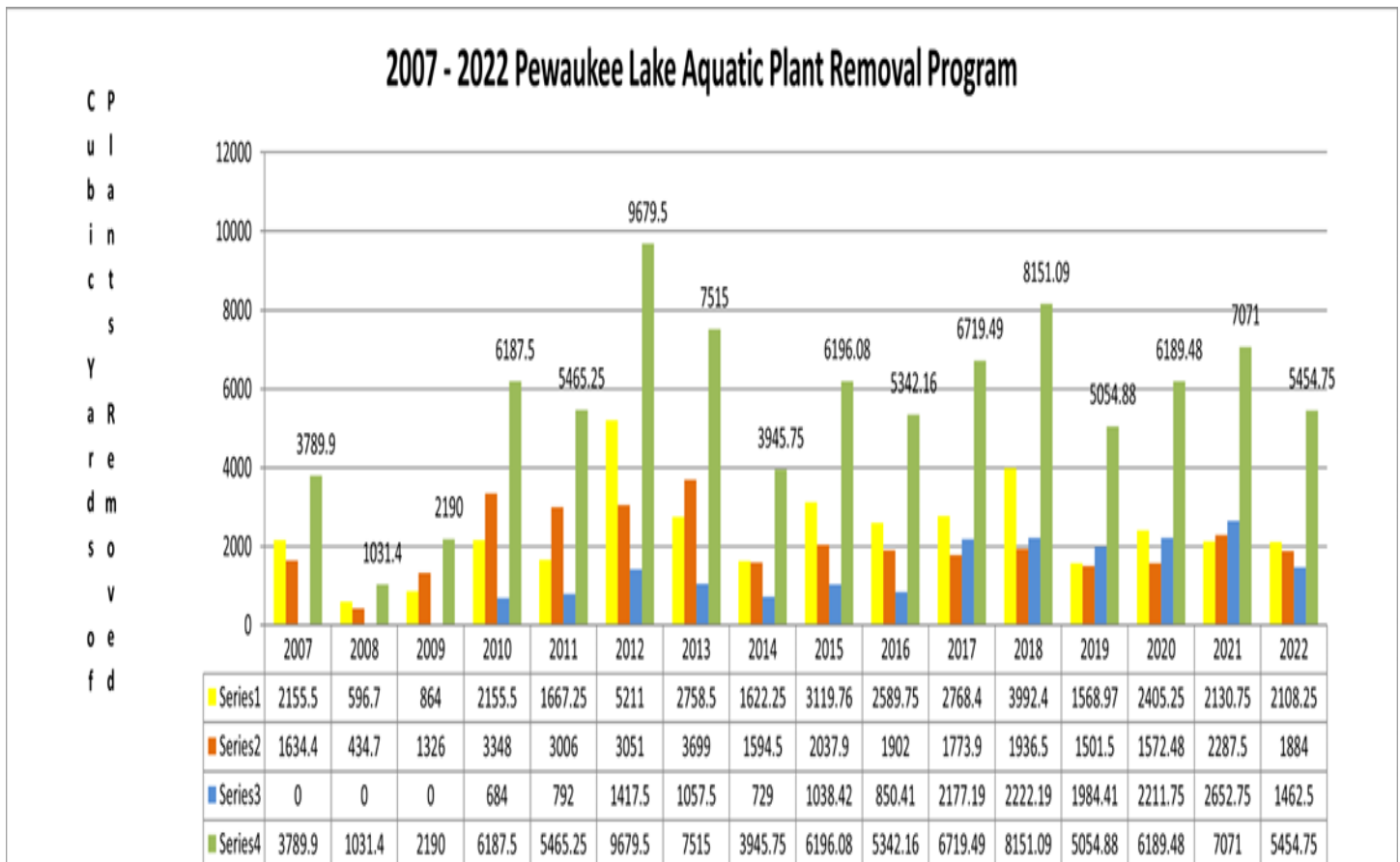
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**HAPPY HOLIDAYS AND A PROSPEROUS AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR TO ALL!**

**LAKE CLEAN UP SUMMARY**

It was fair year with the aquatic plants on the lake. Clean-up crews worked through October cutting, picking up shorelines and doing pile pick up. We have included a chart that shows the volume of aquatic plants taken out of the lake over the years and how this last year compare's to the previous years and cycles.

The total volume of aquatic plants removed from the lake equates to 5,454 cubic yards or 181 very large truck loads. Below is a graph of the volumes of aquatic plant removed over the past 16 years. The tallest spikes are the combined volumes of all the methods of the districts removal operations (the harvesters, shore barges and pile pick up).



In the last few years we stepped up our Harvesting and aquatic plant removal program. If we take the previous 22 years recorded and find the average volume and compare it to the last 8 years you'll find that we have actually doubled the volume of aquatic plants being removed on an annual basis. I think the lake shows this improvement.

## SEWER SYSTEM

One of the biggest problems the district faces is when rags or anything other than toilet paper is flushed down the toilet. The other day we received an alarm call at 3:30 a.m. We get up out of a warm bed and ran to work in 0-degree weather to work on a sewage pump outside. After winching the pump up we were able to see that someone flushed their soiled underwear down the toilet. How they didn't clog their own sewer lateral is the first question we had.

Somebody between Rocky Point and Peninsula drive soiled their underwear, then flushed it down the toilet causing a major pump failure. This required staff to physically remove the underwear with a pliers, wet gloves, and frozen fingers.



If the other pump would fail during this time, that person would have caused all their neighbors to have sewage backups into their basements. If you didn't eat it, don't flush it. This sewage waste doesn't just magically disappear. Pumps cannot handle rags, t-shirts or underwear. Please use your heads and pass the word to others so we do not ever encounter unnecessary issues like this again.

## Employment – Summer Lake Crews

Lake Pewaukee Sanitary District will be looking to hire enthusiastic people to help with the lake operations this next year. The temporary summer employees work from early May until the end of August. The shift starts at 7:00 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. Applications for the seasonal help will be accepted for review starting any time after January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age.

We also have a need for some temporary help that could start earlier and work through October. Call Rita at (262) 691-4485 for more information.