

# Lake Sutherland Newsletter

Lake Sutherland Management District 2 Steering Committee

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Many of the volunteers who keep Lake Sutherland alive posed last fall after another day of weed pulling.

## 2010: Late fall haul shows milfoil hasn't quit

The Lake Sutherland management program finished 2010 with a budget surplus of \$2,298 this year, including paying back the district's original loan from the county's Weed Board Fund to get the lake project going until the district's own assessment funds came in.

Category	Actual	Budgeted	Net
Office supplies	28.82	300	
Operating supplies	1130	600	
Field supplies	562	2942	
Professional services	1745	1500	
Travel, training	479	900	
Salary, benefits staff	8233	8233	
Indirect	1100	1100	
Weed Fund reimbursement	17500	17500	
BALANCE	30788	33086	+2,298.00

Here are other stats reported by Cathy Lucero, our district administrator: We pulled 539 plants total (278, 52% from Heron Cove). This was an increase of 66 plants over 2009, but less total mass, measured by bucketfuls. Fisher Cove and "pile driver" cove had a bunch of plants discovered at the end of October in a final round. Every other place in the lake had a significant decline of plants overall. It was a successful season despite more algae than usual, which made it hard to see the milfoil until fall. Generally, a single plant became 10 from when it must have started, until we could see it. We collected approximately half (less than a five-gallon bucket) of what we found early in 2009, but at the beginning of October we probably took in about 1 1/2 more buckets, especially from tall plants in Fisher Cove. So overall about a third less than the previous year. It means, all in all, plants were smaller.

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## Lake Calendar

Proposed schedule for 2011:

Small-group dives, Fridays, June 15-Oct. 31.

Steering Committee, Aug. 9.

Community weed pull, Aug. 13.

Steering Committee, Sept. 6.

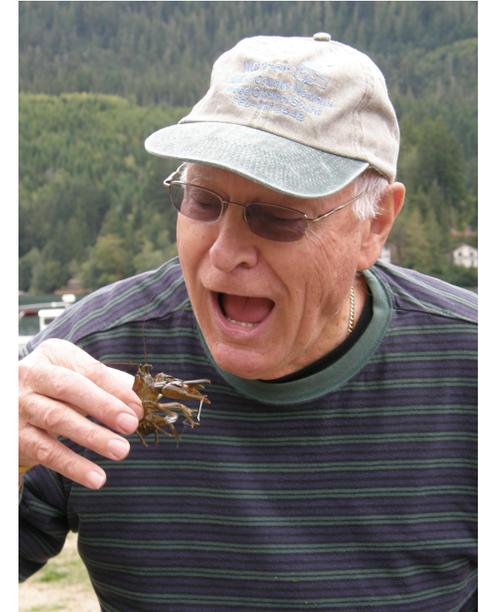
Community weed pull, Sept. 10.

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Is Don Nunley really going to eat that crawdad?

## 40 volunteers, many hours

Forty people volunteered to help pulling milfoil from Lake Sutherland, most more than once, during 2010. Jan Snyder gave nearly 100 hours -- again. Total volunteer hours: 494. This was down from 602 hours and reflects improved conditions and less demand for extra weed pulls. The number of volunteer hours on our focus days, when a few divers target special areas, was about 20 less this year than last (234 vs. 259) and reflects having fewer volunteers each day. Those who do focus dives put in 19 extra days vs. 17 in 2009.