

2013

regardless of how you measure it, the efforts of today will pay benefits for generations to come - it's our legacy.

current progress

The 2013 Dredge Season is anticipated to begin in April once the lake thaws and run through the end of October. With the current spoil site close to full the amount of dredge material removed will depend on the quality of water and speed in which we can return it to the lake during the 2013 season. Started in the fall of 2012, the new spoil site should complete construction toward the end of summer 2013 and potentially be available for the start of use in the 2013 season.

units dredged/clarity readings

Year	Days	cubic yards pumped	average clarity in inches
2002		1,320,000 ⁺	
2003		50,000	
2004	136	699,112	10
2005	125	548,389	12
2006	138	573,225	14
2007	111	527,837	17
2008	69	244,450 ⁺⁺	19
2009	143	559,966	21
2010	156	579,673	18
2011	133	574,204	15
2012	125	281,448	13
TOTALS:	837	5,958,304	

⁺State of Iowa Project

⁺⁺Repairing damage to dredge from late 2007 incident

funds contributed/pledged

(This does not include the \$4,000,000 spent by the state in 2002.)

State Allocation	\$4,942,920
Federal Allocation	\$1,765,000
City of Storm Lake	\$1,378,995*
City of Lakeside	\$110,477**
Buena Vista County	\$680,000***
Private Pledges	\$1,385,964
TOTAL:	\$10,263,356

cost to date

- 2003 to December, 2010: \$6,646,623.02
- State cost from 2002 dredging project and spoil site construction was approximately \$4,000,000.
- Annual dredging operations are approximately \$1,000,000.

* Annually contributes a portion of Hotel/Motel Tax

** Annually contributes a portion of Local Option Sales Tax

*** Annually contributes insurance for the dredge and related equipment
Purchased the dredge and related equipment at project's start for \$600,000

future

The Lake Improvement Commission has agreed to a partnership with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources on a five year plan, pending continued state funding. This plan includes the construction of the extension of the existing spoil site that will hold another 3.5 million cubic feet of silt and which is currently under construction and anticipated to be completed in 2013. The State of Iowa and the LIC have partnered with Iowa State University to conduct a study on Storm Lake to determine the best locations for continued dredge operations over the next five years. The study is expected to be completed in 2013. The overall goal of the project remains the same: to restore the lake and to improve water quality, enhancing the environmental benefits of this natural resource.