Kabetogama Township

Box 191

Kabetogama, MN 56669

FirstName LastName

Address

City, State Zip

Dear FirstName,

As you may be aware, a group of your fellow township residents are working together to establish a wastewater infrastructure in the Kabetogama community. You are in one of the potential service areas as proposed in the *Comprehensive Wastewater Plan- Namakan Basin Sanititary Sewer Initiative (2010).* The first step in moving forward with this initiative is to form a subordinate service district under the management of the Kabetogama Township Board of Supervisors. We are reaching out to you to gather support and ask you to sign a petition to form a subordinate service district so we may begin the process to implement a community-based sewer treatment option.

We believe that this is an opportune time to petition to form the district for many reasons, including:

* Almost 80% of the wastewater treatment systems on the properties surrounding the lake are at some level of noncompliance under standards set forth by St. Louis County SSTS Ordinance 61
* The investment in a community-based system can make individual properties more valuable and easier to sell
* Lake water quality has deteriorated, with frequent and persistent algal blooms
* Many residents will be forced to install expensive holding tanks or other unsustainable options in the near future to prevent damage to the ecosystem
* State grants are currently available to offset much of the cost of installing a community-based system
* Other nearby communities with similar situations, including Crane Lake, Ash River, Island View as well as Puck’s Point here on Kabetogama, have successfully pursued and are constructing similar systems
* We can help preserve the land, lake, and park for future generations.

At this phase of the project we are in a petition process, and will need your support for this initiative to succeed. One of your neighbors on the board will be stopping by over the next 60 days to answer questions regarding this important issue. If they are unable to catch you, or if you have questions you would like answered please contact either:

Your local area representative:

RepFirstName RepLastName

RepPhone

Email?

Or

Kabetogama Township Clerk

218-875-2082  
 Email?

Sincerely,

Kabetogama Clean Water Steering Committee