



LOON WATCH

The Townsend Flowage Protection District is fortunate to have several district members participating in LoonWatch, a program of the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute.

But its more than just “watching” the beauty of the loons on the flowage. The program focuses on the protection of common loons and their habitats and works on activities such as migration, nesting, and chick survival activities. With increasing loss of their natural habitat, changing air and water quality, and increased lake recreational use, loon protection and survival are important activities.

There are many ways we can help to reduce these issues such as shoreline restoration, use phosphorus-free products, and remaining at least 200 feet away from loons as we enjoy their beauty and during recreational activities.

Carole Haggstrom, TFPD LoonWatch leader is always looking for “Loon Ranger” volunteers, especially from the upper flowage. Carole is required to fill out paperwork accordingly. She can be contacted as follows:

715-276-1187 (hm), 714-261-3312 (cell) 714 is correct
Email: twoswedishhaggs@mac.com

Volunteers:

- East side of south end (lower): John Brantmeier, Ott, Coopman
- West side of south end (lower) and central: Haggstrom
- North end - Lorraine Aro
- South end - channel: Alice Goffard

To learn more about what you can do to protect the symbol of our northern woods and waters you can read more at these websites:

For more information on loon watches in general: www.northland.edu/sustainability/soei/loonwatch.

For more information on the Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute, visit: www.northland.edu/sustainability/soei/sigurd-legacy.