

BEWET AND WKC PADDLERS APPRECIATION FOR LAKE KAPOWSIN JULY 7

Lake Kapowsin Aquatic Reserve

Lake Appreciation Month – July 2018

Pierce County is home to more than 100 lakes. From swimming to our daily cup of coffee, lakes and reservoirs play a central role in our lives. July is great time to get out and celebrate your local lake. Here are several ways to celebrate our local lakes.

The National Secchi Dip-in is an annual data-gathering event that takes place during Lakes Appreciation Month demonstrating the value of citizen gathered data. In July, volunteers measure transparency at their monitoring sites using either a secchi disk (lakes) or a turbidity test kit (streams), and the data is submitted to the Secchi Dip-In website. The data provides a comprehensive snapshot of water transparency and how it varies according to regional geology and land use. Contact Isabel at isabelr@pierced.org to learn how to participate in the Dip-In.

Lake Kapowsin Appreciation Day will be celebrated on **Saturday, July 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the WDFW Boat launch on Lake Kapowsin

located at 29405 Orville Rd E, Graham, WA 98338. Lake Kapowsin is the first freshwater aquatic reserve in Washington and is a unique local treasure. Lot's of fun activities for all ages are planned to highlight the history of the lake, water safety, fishing, and other critters in the lake.

Pierce Conservation District staff manages a volunteer lake monitoring program on several lakes in Lakewood (American, Gravelly, Louise, Steilacoom, and Waughop); two lakes in Bonney Lake (Bonney and Debra Jane) in Bonney Lake; and Milton (Surprise Lake). If you live on or near one of these lakes and want to participate in monitoring contact Isabel at isabelr@pierced.org.

We have recently added the 2017 annual lake reports for our volunteer monitored lakes. They are organized by jurisdiction and can be found on the PCD lake monitoring website. Here is the link: <https://www.pierced.org/249/Lake-Monitoring>. □

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