



June 23, 2021

Jessica Jagoe
City of Arden Hills Senior Planner
1245 W Highway 96
Arden Hills, MN 55112

RE: Shoreland Classification Status of Johanna, Little Johanna, and Karth Lakes

Dear Ms. Jagoe,

The City of Arden Hills and the DNR have been in periodic communication concerning the classifications of lakes Johanna (Lake ID Number 62007800), Little Johanna (62005800), and Karth (62007200) since 1984. At that time, the City requested that the shoreland classification for Lake Johanna, as well as Little Johanna Lake (62005800) and Karth Lake (62007200), be changed from their original Recreational Development (RD) classifications to General Development (GD). The City presented evidence and justification in support of the reclassifications to GD. DNR agreed with the City’s reasoning, and responded with a letter to the City informing them that the request would be approved when DNR received notice of a resolution from the City requesting the reclassification, as required by Minnesota Rule Part 6120.3000 Subpart 3.

DNR still concurs with the reasoning supporting the requested reclassifications of these three lakes made in 1984 and is ready to officially adopt the new classifications. The DNR considers the recent City Council actions, as well as the provision of the original resolution passed in 1985 (Resolution 85-22), to be sufficient official acknowledgement of the City’s request. Therefore, the DNR now considers these lakes to be officially reclassified:

Lake Name	Lake IDNumber	Old DNR Classification	New DNR Classification
Johanna	62007800	Recreational Development	General Development
Little Johanna	62005800	Recreational Development	General Development
Karth	62007200	Recreational Development	General Development

A shoreland ordinance is an important land use regulation that helps to protect surface water quality, near shore habitat, and shoreland aesthetics of Minnesota's public waters. We appreciate your efforts to protect these resources for all present and future Minnesotans. Area Hydrologist Dan Scollan is available to assist with shoreland ordinance technical guidance and to consult you on other land and water-related projects.

Sincerely,



Dan Lais
Regional Manager, Ecological & Water Resources Division

Attachments:

Resolution No. 85-22, 05/13/1985

Wehrman Consultants Associated Inc. to DNR, 12/26/1984

c: Dan Scollan, DNR East Metro Area Hydrologist
John (Jack) Gleason, DNR Hydrologist Supervisor
Kathy Metzker, DNR Land Use Program Hydrologist
Dan Petrik, DNR Land Use Program Specialist