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Lake District Board Votes to Continue Legal Challenge *Dillon Decision Gives Hope to Fishing and Boating Enthusiasts*

EDGERTON—The Rock Koshkonong Lake District (RKLD) Board of Commissioners voted unanimously Thursday to continue their fight for amended lake levels they say will improve safety, navigation, fishing and wetland restoration on Lake Koshkonong and the Rock River.

“The Board voted to finish what we started,” said Brian Christianson, Lake District Chairman. “The judicial system rarely sees a case like ours, and for minimal cost, we can get closure to complex legal questions, that so far, are left unanswered.”

Christianson said the board negotiated limits to the legal fees required to move forward to the Appellate Court and possibly further to the State Supreme Court. It is estimated that the special tax applied to each parcel within the lake district boundary would pay an additional \$5.00 to cover legal fees for the appellate court, and an additional \$12.50 per parcel should the case proceed to the supreme court.

“Government can be a bully sometimes,” said Christianson. “Individual property owners usually give-up fighting with the DNR because the legal fees climb too high. But for less than \$20.00 each, the cost to move forward was judged to be a good investment.”

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***The current special tax was lowered from \$100.00 to \$45.00 at the 2007 Annual Meeting of Electors*