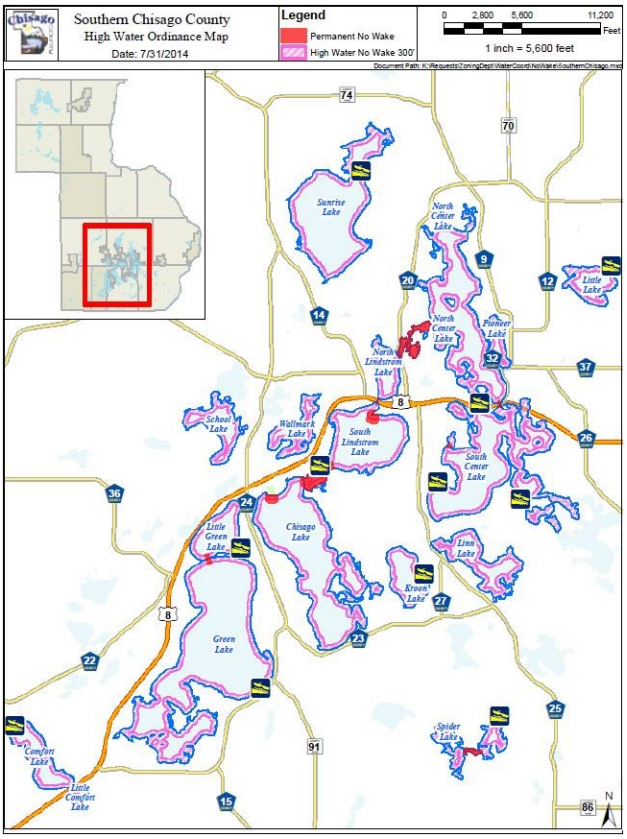
Slow No-Wake Ordinance

This past spring, when the ice melted off the lakes, many lakes in Chisago County experienced high water conditions. During high water conditions, fast moving watercraft close to shore can increase shoreland erosion into the lakes. As a result, Chisago County is in the process of adopting a slow no-wake ordinance covering the larger lakes in the county.

Partners:

- Chisago County
- Water Plan Policy Team
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

The proposed ordinance will temporarily restrict boat speeds near shore during high water conditions, permanently restrict boat speeds in many channels connecting the lakes, and establish Bull Lake as a non-motorized lake. It is anticipated that ordinance development will be completed prior to the 2015 open water boating season.