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September 14th, 2026

Mayor Chris Nance
City of North Muskegon
1502 Ruddiman Dr.
North Muskegon, MI 49445

Paul

Dear Mayor Nance,

Thank you for reaching out regarding the need for additional funding to support environmental remediation efforts on Bear Lake. I appreciate your leadership and advocacy on behalf of the City of North Muskegon and share your belief that Bear Lake is a vital environmental, recreational, and economic asset for our community. Protecting and restoring this important resource is critical not only for current residents but also for future generations who will benefit from its continued health and vitality.

I remain committed to supporting efforts that preserve Michigan's natural resources and strengthen community assets such as Bear Lake. A project of this scale will require significant funding. The legislature has already set the budget for the upcoming fiscal year, but I will add this to my list of community projects to advocate for in the next budget cycle. Keep my office updated early next year on where funding stands, how much funding would be needed, and what partnerships the city has established to take on this project.

I appreciate the City's ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship and your willingness to champion this important issue. Please do not hesitate to continue sharing updates, project information, or potential funding needs with my office. We would be happy to set up a meeting for you with the DNR/EGLE – if you do not hear from my office by the time you receive this letter, please shoot us a quick email so that we can get started with setting up a meeting.

Thank you again for your partnership and for your dedication to protecting one of Muskegon's most valuable natural resources. I look forward to continuing to work together in support of Bear Lake and the broader Muskegon community.

Sincerely,

State Representative Will Snyder
Michigan's 87th House District

Cc: Kim Arter, Laketon Township Supervisor
Paul Pek, Bear Lake – Lake Board Chairperson