Got Weeds?

The Lake Management Group of Hickory Hills Lake is excited to be able to offer owners of lakefront property a simple means to allow them to use their waterfront free of the nuisance of lake-bottom weeds.

The Lake Management Group (LMG) has been installing **benthic barriers** to help control lake-bottom weeds, and this will be the third year that we are offering to purchase materials at cost for any lakefront landowner who would like to deploy them on their own waterfront (materials paid by landowner). We ask that any interested party donate some volunteer time for the activities of the LMG.



The benthic barriers are composed of biodegradable burlap sheeting and are held in place on the bottom with burlap sandbags, also biodegradable. The barrier prevents light from getting to the weeds, killing them in about 10 weeks. We suggest that the barriers be left in place to decompose, but they can be removed if you desire.

We have a limited amount of materials on hand and may have to place orders based on demand. Pricing is based on actual costs with no markup. The barriers are most effective when placed early in the season before weeds get too large.

Pricing (2018) - based on cost plus shipping and handling

Burlap sheeting and sandbags:

10' x 30' with 21 sandbags, one buoy: \$ 65

Waterfront 30' x 30', incl 3 strips, 50 sandbags: \$160

Actual costs may vary slightly due to inflation and actual shipping expenses. Sale is contingent on approval of application by Hickory Hills Board. We will provide instruction but installation is by homeowner.

IF YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED, PLEASE EMAIL THE WEED MITIGATION COMMITTEE AT wmg@hickoryhillslake.com.

If you are interested in more than a 30' x 30' benthic barrier or have installed one previously and want to expand your coverage, please put in your request and the Hickory Hills Board will consider your particular situation.