

The Elkhart Lake Improvement Association (ELIA) is in the midst of a comprehensive lake watershed survey to assess impacts that are negatively affecting the water quality of the lake. And you can be an important part of the input that is being collected. All responses will be anonymous so there will be no use of any of your personal information. (Survey will be open through Sept. 16, 2022)

Here is an <u>online link</u> that will connect you to a short survey that will help capture a variety of Elkhart Lake user information. User input is an important part of the overall data base being created for this project. If you prefer a hard copy for your submittal, you can <u>contact ELIA</u> and a copy will be sent to you.

The goal of this assessment study is to help identify critical areas around the lake where improvements can have the most positive effect on maintaining and improving lake water quality.

The survey is being managed by <u>Stantec</u>, an environmental engineering firm which has been contracted by ELIA to perform the assessment work. This is being done through funding support from the Catharine B. Stayer family foundation, and is coordinated with the <u>Sheboygan County office of Planning and Conservation</u> and the <u>Lakeshore Natural Resource Partnership</u>

Based on assessment results, ELIA will be applying for DNR grant funding to help implement prioritized improvement projects.

Keeping Elkhart Blue is a long-term effort. The lake is in good shape but keeping it that way is critical for enjoyment by generations to come. Thank you for taking part in the survey and please feel free to raise questions or include any observations you may wish to share. Send your questions or observations to: Contact ELIA.

Thanks for your participation, ELIA Board of Directors