











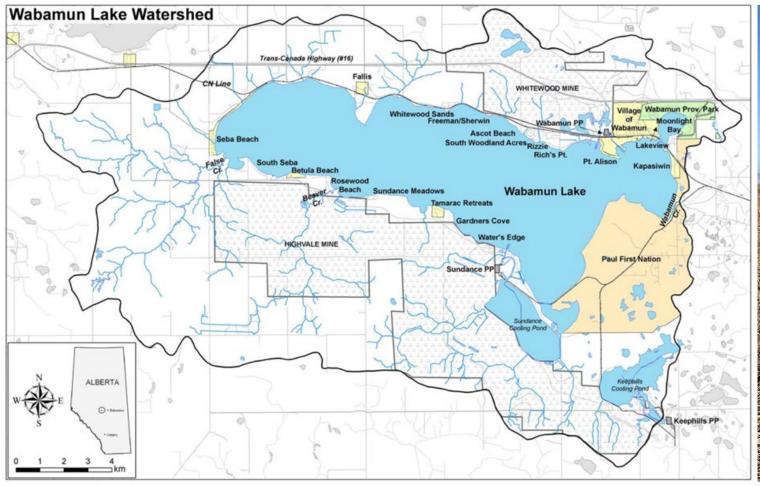
#### Wabamun Lake Bulrush Restoration

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# Background

# The Story







#### The Plant

#### Schoenoplectus acutus (Hard-stem Bulrush)





https://www.illinoiswildflowers.info/grasses/plants/gt\_bulrush.htm

### Habitat







### **Function**





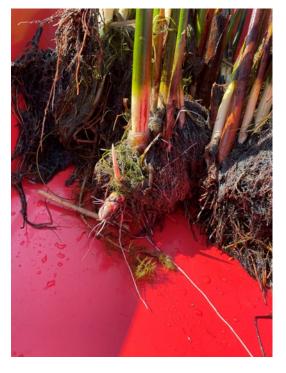
### **Bulrush Planting Project Sites**



### **Plant Material Sources - Wild Harvest**







### **Plant Material Sources - Nursey Stock**











- Wild harvest from site planted in deepest area (~50 x 1 gallon pot sized)
- 45 x 4 inch plugs of native bulrush
- 150 x 150cc green house plugs in area closest to shore
- ~43m² of area planted











- Wild harvest from site planted in deepest area
- 30 x 4 inch plugs of native bulrush
- 100 x 150cc green house plugs in area closest to shore
- ~41m² of area planted









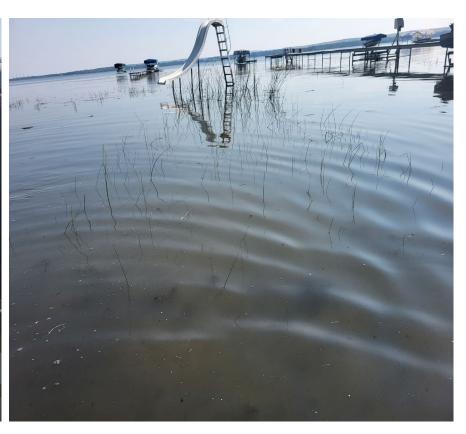


- Wild harvest from site planted in deepest area
- 60 x 4 inch plugs of native bulrush
- 200 green house plugs in area closest to shore
- 30 Soft stem Bulrush planted along shoreline (seen in purple)
- ~57m² of Hardstem bulrush planted



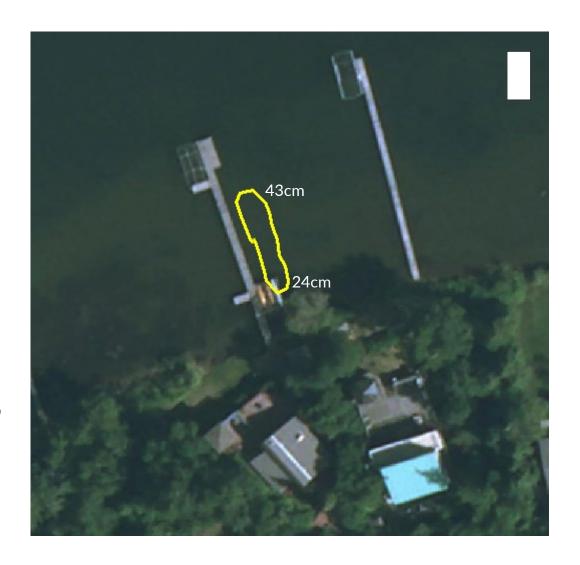








- Water depths of area planted ranged from 24-43cm
- Wild harvest from site planted in deepest area
- 60 x 4 inch plugs of native bulrush
- 10 x 1 gallon green house plugs in area closest to shore
- ~59m² of area planted











#### Considerations

- Regulatory approvals
- Funding and timelines
- Water level fluctuation
- Wave and ice action
- Substrate





## **Next Steps**

#### What's Next?

- Monitor sites annually
- Share information with landowners, stewardship groups and scientists
- Promote conservation and continue restoration
- Workshop at Seba Beach area Oct 28





#### **Shoreline Restoration**







# Workshop October 28 - Seba Beach







# Thank you!









