

Forester's Report 11 30 2016

Two burning permits were issued during October.

Cleared debris from Sunfish Lake overflow once. It only takes a twig and a few leaves to restrict the water outflow. Spoke with City Engineer about likely blockage following latest rain storms. Have also cleared debris from Horseshoe Lake outlet two times.

I do not recall a time when the soil was so wet going into winter. Normally the lakes are at their low points for the year now. Once the soil freezes, all runoff will go into the lake basins so I expect that we will see high water come spring 2017. The only trees adversely affected are those that grew in areas that have not been so wet for a couple decades as they are now. Spring/summer 2017 will show us the effect of excessive moisture on these trees.

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