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With summer arriving we find ourselves halfway through our second sampling season with the LaRosa Partnership Program. This season we started taking water samples from the fourth tributary, Dewing Brook. You can go on the LaRosa Partnership website to see the results from last year's sampling.

This spring, the Lake Parker Association purchased a LaMotte Horizontal Sampler. This tool will provide phosphorus samples from the deepest part of our lake. Bob Richards and I will be trained to use the LaMotte Horizontal Sampler.

Earlier this spring I burned all Phragmites that were cut in the fall. At this time, it looks like 80-85% of Phragmites on land at the south end of our lake have been killed. Approximately 60-65% of Phragmites in the water have been killed. We will do another water cut at the end of July. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated. I will post on our website when we'll be cutting. Anyone who notices Phragmites can reach out to me and I'll help you remove it from your property.

I will talk more at Annual Meeting about the Lake Wise Program and how it can help property owners maintain shoreline landscape practices that protect water quality in our lake and control Phosphorus.

Thank you, Michael Pierce Water Quality Chairperson