

Iowa Department of Natural Resources  
Natural Resource Commission

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DECISION

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Contract with City of Emmetsburg for Five Island Lake Dredging

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Commission approval is requested for a one year 28E Agreement with the City of Emmetsburg, Iowa. The contract will begin on July 1, 2009 and terminate on June 30, 2010. The total amount of this contract shall not exceed \$400,000. DNR shall have the option to renew this contract long as this contract and any extensions do not exceed a six-year period.

This contract will be funded through the Lake Restoration Program with funding appropriated under SF376, Section 24. The parties propose to enter into this Contract for the purpose of reimbursing the City of Emmetsburg for continued and planned lake dredging operations at Five Island Lake (Palo Alto County).

Five Island Lake (Palo Alto County) is one of the 35 significant public lakes prioritized for restoration. Lake Restoration Program guidelines recommend the department give priority for funding to active lake projects so long as progress toward completion of the project remains consistent with the goals of the program. The City of Emmetsburg is in the final stages of a multi-year dredging project. The goal of the project is to increase lake mean water depth and improve the lake water quality.

This Agreement is made pursuant to statutory authority granted to the parties pursuant to Iowa Code section 28E.4 or 28E.12 (2009). The DNR and the City enter into this agreement pursuant to a program established under 571 Administrative Code 30.14, known as the State and Local Cooperative Lake Rehabilitation Pilot Program. Administrative Code 571 provides for implementing a program of state and local cooperative lake rehabilitation.

Joe Larscheid, Fisheries Bureau Chief  
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