
You Are Invited To Join OTC COLA

· *Lake / River Associations*

COLA Membership dues are prorated by number of Association Members. Minimum is \$10 annual dues for 10 Association Members.

· *Individual Property Owners*

Individual Memberships annual dues are \$10.

· *Donations*

OTC COLA accepts unsolicited donations from lake property owners and Associations to help sustain the efforts and programs of COLA.



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sociation · Franklin Lake Association · Hoffman
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provement District · Pickerel Lake Improvement
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tion · Stuart Lake Association · Swan Lake Associ-
ation · Sybil Lake Association · Tamarac Lake As-
sociation · Ten Mile Preservation Association ·
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Association · West Battle Lake Association · West
McDonald Lake Association

*OTC COLA is dedicated to
protecting and preserving
Otter Tail Lakes*



*The Otter Tail County Coali-
tion Of Lake Associations (OTC
COLA) is a private volunteer
group working with Lake As-
sociations and lake property
owners for the common good
of all OTC lakes*

We Love Our Lakes



Challenges Facing OTC Lakes

· **Climate change** is accelerating the encroachment of aquatic invasive plants and algae formerly limited to southern regions.

· **Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS)** including zebra mussels are migrating from the great lakes to OTC lakes.

· **Poor shoreland management** is accelerating shore and beach erosion

· **Excess weeds in lakes** can be caused by land chemical runoff, inadequate septic systems and use of phosphate fertilizers.

· **Desire for organizational expertise** to form Associations, LIDs and Foundations.

Cross-infestation of lakes with Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) is occurring due in part to lack of public education and viable preventive systems and programs.



OTC Lakes Need COLA

· OTC COLA partners with Lake Associations sponsoring water quality testing programs, communications, education and legislative forums.

· OTC COLA maintains strategic alliances with organizations, government lobbyists, State and County government officials.

· OTC COLA is an advocate for its Member Lake Associations providing assistance and support.

Why Associations And Individuals Join OTC COLA

· **COLA Water Sampling**

Over 50 member lakes participate in COLA's water testing program each year. Data analysis contributes to promoting healthy lakes.

· **Influence Legislation**

Member meetings include forums to confer directly with Federal, State and County legislators to give input on current issues.

· **Networking and Socializing**

Events including monthly seasonal meetings provide opportunities to mix with others that have the same challenges as you do.

· **Association Administration**

Get assistance in creating and managing various administrative functions and organizational projects.

· **Stay informed**

Stay informed on lake news, current issues and legislative developments with COLA'S website and monthly E-Newsletter.

