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Subject: Extension - Aquatic Plant Management Plan

Dear Mr. Maxwell:

The Minong Flowage Association has invested a great deal of time and effort in understanding and managing the waterbody and the various interests that depend on it. A result of your investment in the Flowage was the DNR's approval of the Minong Flowage Aquatic Plant Management Plan in 2016. I understand the approved APM Plan was intended to be for a 5-year period. The major management recommendation of a drawdown, however, has not been implemented for several reasons, including a longer-than-expected regulatory process, uncertainties about the cost and reimbursement of lost energy revenue, and quantitative thresholds for Eurasian watermilfoil not being reached.

I am sharing this letter to document the Department will extend the duration of the approved Plan to 2023 to allow for a drawdown to occur, along with pre- and post-drawdown point-intercept surveys. As a result, an updated plan will not be necessary for control grant funding or regulatory purposes. Thanks again for your many years of commitment to this and other projects on the Minong Flowage. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

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