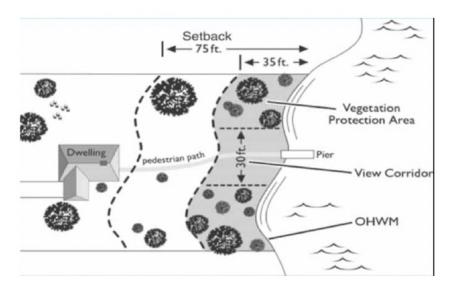


SHORELAND VEGETATION

The Town's Land Use Ordinance 17-88 seeks to protect natural beauty and protect fish and wildlife habitat through robust guidance to reduce effluent and nutrient flow into the water from the shoreland.

To satisfy that intent, a **35 foot buffer zone along the lakeshore shall be established and maintained as a vegetative buffer zone,** a statewide regulation. This area should remain untouched with the exception of an *Access and View (Use) Corridor* (see Ord 17-88 for additional details). Piers/Docks, boat lifts, boathouses, shelters or any accessory structure shall be located in the Use Corridor. **The Access/View/Use Corridor should not exceed 30 feet wide**, as measured perpendicular to the side lot lines at the shoreline. See the diagram below.



Vegetation in the 35' buffer zone should not be removed (this includes mowing – don't!), except for the view corridor and in the circumstances of invasive/exotic species, or damaged/diseased vegetation which may cause an imminent safety hazard. Prior to any vegetation removal, the property owner should contact the Zoning Administrator (zoning@townofspiderlakewi.gov) to determine if a permit is required.

Should a permit be required, the property owner may be granted a permit for additional vegetation management activities. The application must contain a detailed plan showing erosion control measures, the intended plantings, monitoring/maintenance activities and preservation plans for the restored area.

Additional resources for waterfront property owners can be found on the DNR website:

https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/ShorelandZoning/Care/explore.html

and the Healthy Lakes and Rivers website, which highlights best practices as well as a 'score your shoreline' exercise:

https://healthylakeswi.com/best-practices/

Please review these guidelines with your caretakers and lawn service providers, and thank you for being good stewards of the natural environment.



OUTDOOR LIGHTING

The Town of Spider Lake's lighting requirements enable a balance between the ability to see at night with the desire to preserve the beauty of the night sky. (Visit the Land Use Ordinance 17-88 Part I, Section 4.4- Lighting, pg 28 on the Town website.)

The DNR publication "Sensible Shoreline Lighting", found at https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/sites/default/files/topic/ShorelandZoning/shorelandlighting.pdf,

provides useful tips for shoreland lighting and fixtures. Should you want to dig further, please visit the Dark-Sky Association website at www.darksky.org for more information and recommendations. Suggestions for modifying existing lighting are shown on the next page.

Please take some time to view your property at night and minimize sources of glare so that others may enjoy the night sky.

Questions? Please contact the Town's Zoning Administrator at zoning@townofspiderlakewi.gov.

Modifying Existing Fixtures

