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3. Golf

Recommended Actions:

Existing turf management education efforts of the Minnesota Extension Service and UW-Extension should be coordinated to make these courses more available to Twin Ports residents. In addition, courses should contain more information on the alternatives to, and environmental implications of, using pesticides and fertilizers.

Implementors:

Minnesota Extension Service, Duluth; University of Wisconsin-Extension, Spooner.

Actions Taken:

4/10/98: Letter sent to Minnesota Extension Service.

10/00: Work plan, Task 1, to be assigned to intern: Spring 2001.

5/01: Working with local environmental studies students, the CAC identified the 13 golf courses within the lower St. Louis River. Both phone and mail contacts were made with golf course managers. The CAC provided information to them about ways to reduced maintenance costs. A part of this program stresses the management of rough areas and ways to significantly reduce labor and fertilizer costs. And how it is good for the environment. The program promotes sound land management and conservation of natural resources. All in a way that beautifies the golf course and increases wildlife habitat. Information was mailed to the golf course managers. Contact was also made with two programs currently underway – Audubon International and the Green Thumb Project. Some of the local golf courses were interested in more information about these projects, and one, the Nemadji Golf course was already participating in the Green Thumb Project.

Project Status:

Project not completed, but there are one or more agencies currently working on it.