

STAFF REPORT

GENERAL INFORMATION

MEETING DATE:	January 15, 2026
APPLICANTS:	Andy Buysse & Brent Buysse
LANDOWNER:	Beaver Dam Resort
911 ADDRESS:	46115 Beaver Dam Road, Cleveland, MN 56017
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:	Requests that the County amend Conditional Use Permits #15023 and #2021108 to add 19 campsites in Tier 3, permit a series of public Special Events, allow year-round lodge operations, and upgrade the liquor license for on- and off-sale of 5.0% beer and alcohol at the Beaver Dam Campground in a Recreational Commercial zoning district.
PARCEL NUMBERS:	04.430.0150, 04.440.0130 & 02.032.0111
CUP NUMBER:	PCCUP-001049-2025

SITE INFORMATION

LOCATION:	Property is located in Lot 1, Block 4 Beaver Dam Plat and Outlot 2, Auditor's Subdivision, Government Lot 1, Section 5, Elysian Township, and part of the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4, Section 32, Cordova Township.
ZONING DISTRICT:	Recreational Commercial "RC" Shoreland District
ZONING DISTRICT PURPOSE:	The intent of the Recreational Commercial (RC) District is to provide suitable locations for, and to encourage the development of, water orientated commercial recreation facilities in those areas of Le Sueur County which benefit the recreational needs of both residents and tourists, to avoid land use conflicts with residential areas and restrict incompatible commercial and industrial uses.
GENERAL SITE DESCRIPTION:	The existing campground/resort, lake frontage and an area north of German Lake Road that consists of the septic system serving the campground, parking for the campground and a community septic system that serves a nearby development on leased land.
ACCESS:	Existing access from Beaver Dam Road, Scotch Lake Road, and German Lake Road.
EXISTING LAND USE WITHIN ¼ MILE:	
North: German Lake Road (CSAH 12), and Tillable Agriculture Land	South: Beaver Dam Road (CSAH 13), and German Lake
West: Scotch Lake Road (CSAH 13), several Residential Dwellings, and Lake Jefferson	East: German Lake

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The subject parcel is part of a licensed campground that began operations in the late 1950's. County records indicate a Conditional Use Permit was approved in 2015 to allow the previous owner 3/2 on and off sales for the existing campground. In addition, an After-the-Fact Conditional Use Permit was approved in 2021 to allow an expansion of 34 camp sites. A variance was granted in 2023 to reduce the setback from the Ordinary High Water Level (OHWL) for the commercial deck and fish cleaning structure, and to allow a total of 34 boat slips. In 2024, a variance was approved to increase the maximum density allowed in Tier 3 to accommodate up to 19 additional campsites. The 2024 request also included a deviation for impervious surface coverage from 25% in a Tier and on a Lot, and a reduction to the open space requirements for a campground from 50% to 47.2%. The last component of that variance was to increase the maximum total number of boat slips from 34 to 50. As a condition for the approval of this variance, the applicants were required to create a stormwater pond in Tier 3 that can manage the runoff generated by the increased impervious surface coverage.

The current request is to amend the existing Conditional Use Permits to allow 19 additional campsites in Tier 3, permit a series of public Special Events, allow year-round lodge operations, and upgrade the liquor license for on- and off-sale of 5.0% beer and alcohol. The owners of the Beaver Dam Campground have worked with the Environmental Services Department to ensure all outstanding conditions from previously approved Variances and Conditional Use Permits have been completed. In addition, there are no outstanding zoning violations in the campground.

If approved, the number of campsites allowed within Tier 3 would increase from 11 to a maximum of 30. The Beaver Dam Lodge could be operated all year long but no more than sixteen (16) hours in any one day, and the owners of the campground would be allowed to apply for a standard on and off-sale liquor license. The addition of the 19 campsites in Tier 3 would generate more wastewater needs than the previously permitted septic systems could handle. For this reason, the owners of the campground worked with Environmental Services and had a third system approved and installed in 2025. The intensification of the lodge operations placed it into a different Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) category for septic needs. The owners of the campground again worked with their septic designer and County staff to identify options and a suitable location to accommodate those needs. If approved, the wastewater treatment option for the lodge would need to be installed prior to April 1, 2026, in order to accommodate the requested usage.

TOWNSHIP BOARD NOTIFICATION

- Public Notice sent to Township via mail.
- Elysian Township was contacted by the applicant when this process began back in 2023. Environmental Services contacted the Township to verify they are aware of the request and asked if they had any concerns. As of the time this report was written, there were no comments received by the Township.

NATURAL RESOURCES INFORMATION

SHORELAND: Nearly all of the three subject parcels that make up the campground are within the Recreational Commercial Shoreland District. The extreme north / northeast portion of PID # 02.032.0111 is reserved for future septic replacement and is within the Agriculture zoning district.

BLUFF AND

STEEP SLOPES: There are no areas on the subject parcel that meet the County's definitions for Bluff or Steep Slope.

WETLANDS: According to the National Wetlands Inventory Map, there are no areas of identified wetlands within the campground.

ATTACHMENTS

Application, Description of Request, Site Plan, LIDAR Map, Aerial Image, & Findings of Fact Form

ORDINANCE REVIEW

ZONING ORDINANCE SECTIONS: **Section 4** – Rules and Definitions, **Section 13** – Recreational Commercial (RC) District, **Section 19** – Land Use Performance Standards, and **Section 21** – Conditional and Interim Use Permits

GOALS & POLICIES: The current Land Use Plan as adopted in 2007, refers to the improvement of the County’s water quality.

GOAL #3: Improve water quality in Le Sueur County

Objective 1: The County will undertake actions to help protect groundwater as well as surface water features.

RULES and DEFINITIONS - SECTION 4

CAMPGROUND - An area of property, whether privately or publicly owned, used on a daily, nightly, or longer basis for the placement of three or more camping units for the purpose of people occupying the unit on an overnight basis, where proper sanitation facilities and spacing of camp units are provided and maintained.

CONDITIONAL USE - A land use or development as defined by this Ordinance that would not be appropriate generally but may be allowed with restrictions as provided by official controls upon a finding that certain conditions as detailed in this Ordinance exist, the use or development conforms to the comprehensive land use plan of Le Sueur County, and the use is compatible with the surrounding area.

RECREATIONAL COMMERCIAL (RC) DISTRICT – SECTION 13.4

SUBDIVISION 4. CONDITIONAL USES

The following uses may be allowed in the Recreational Commercial (RC) District as Conditional Uses:

C. Campgrounds.

I. Taverns.

LAND USE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS – SECTION 19

SUBDIVISION 5. PARKING AND LOADING STANDARDS

A. PARKING

2. Size Requirements

- a. Each parking space shall contain a minimum area of not less than three hundred (300) square feet, including access drives, a width of not less than eight and one-half (8 ½) feet and a depth of not less than twenty (20) feet.
- b. Handicap parking requirements shall be in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act as amended, from time to time.
- c. Each parking space shall be adequately served by access drives.

4. Location of Parking Facilities and Combined Facilities

Required on-site parking space shall be provided on the same lot as the principal structure or use, except combined or joint parking facilities may be provided for one (1) or more structures or uses in the General Business (B), Recreational Commercial (RC) and in the General Industry (I) districts provided that the total number of spaces shall equal the sum of the requirements for each structure or use.

6. Required Number of On-Site Parking Spaces

- a. On-site parking areas of sufficient size to provide parking for patrons, customers, suppliers, visitors and employees shall be provided on the premises of each use.
- b. The minimum number of required on-site parking spaces for the following uses shall be as follows:
 - 15. **Restaurant, café, tavern, bar, or adult-use establishment.** One (1) parking space per each four (4) seats and one (1) space for each two (2) employees on the major shift.

SUBDIVISION 7. SIGN STANDARDS

B. GENERAL SIGN STANDARDS

2. No sign shall be erected, re-erected, or altered unless adhering to the rules outlined in this subdivision.
3. A zoning permit shall be required for signs larger than thirty two (32) square feet and all Off-Premises Signs / Billboards.

SUBDIVISION 8. OUTDOOR LIGHTING STANDARDS

B. APPLICABILITY

All outdoor, electrically powered illuminating devices shall be installed in conformance with the provisions of this Subdivision and the state electrical code.

C. STANDARDS

1. In all districts, any exterior lighting used to illuminate an off-street parking area, sign, or structure, shall be arranged as to deflect light away from any adjoining residential district and all road rights-of-way.
2. Any light or combination of lights, which cast light on a road right-of-way shall not exceed one (1) foot candle, as measured from the centerline of said road. No light shall be directed in such a manner as to blind the driver of any vehicle.
3. The source of light shall be shielded or controlled in some manner so as not to illuminate adjacent property.
4. Any light, or combination of lights, which cast light shall not exceed one (1) foot candle, as measured from the property line.

D. PROHIBITIONS

2. No outdoor recreational facility, public or private, shall be illuminated after 11:00 P.M. except to conclude a specific recreational or sporting event or any other similar activity conducted at or in the facility which was in progress under such illumination prior to 11:00 P.M.

SUBDIVISION 12. SPECIFIC LAND USES

G. CAMPGROUNDS AND RESORTS

2. Any non-conformities with existing Campgrounds and Resorts will be allowed to continue in accordance with provisions of Sections 4, 13, and 24 of this Ordinance. The expansion of the campgrounds and resorts will require a Conditional Use Permit and will require the implementation of the following standards in the expansion area

J. SPECIAL EVENT STANDARDS

1. All special events within the County, whether permitted, approved administratively, or approved through the interim use permit process, require a review by the Department.
2. The organizer of any special event shall be required to contact the Department no less than forty five (45) days prior to the commencement of a new event.
 - a. The organizer of a previously approved special event shall be required to contact the Department no less than ten (10) days prior to the commencement of a special event.
3. The operational area of a special event shall be set back a minimum of twenty (20) feet from any Road right-of-way, and all property lines.
4. The organizer of a special event shall provide the following information:
 - a. Information shall be submitted to the department in the form of a business / operations plan. Said plan shall include information regarding the services offered, types of facilities, sanitary sewer and waste disposal facilities, hours of operation, and other issues relevant to the proposed use.
 - b. Proposed signage
 - c. A traffic management plan shall be submitted to address off-street parking, overflow parking, traffic circulation, traffic control, and any potential impacts on surrounding roadways.

- d. The applicant shall provide a plan outlining the safe evacuation of its attendees in times of severe weather conditions.
- e. Any additional information deemed necessary to complete the review of the proposed special event.

X. OFF-SALE LIQUOR AND TAVERNS

2. The use shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county rules and regulations.
3. The owner shall comply with all Minnesota Department of Health requirements.
4. Shall comply with all parking and loading standards as required by this Ordinance.

CONDITONAL AND INTERIM USE PERMITS – SECTION 21

SUBDIVISON 2. PROCEDURE

H. The Planning Commission and staff shall consider possible adverse effects of the proposed conditional or interim use and what additional requirements may be necessary to reduce such adverse effects. Its judgment shall be based upon the following factors to include, but not limited to:

1. Relationship to County plans.
2. The geographical area involved.
3. Whether such use will negatively affect surrounding properties in the area in which it is proposed.
4. The character of the surrounding area.
5. The demonstrated need for such use.
6. Whether the proposed use would cause odors, dust, flies, vermin, smoke, gas, noise, or vibration or would impose hazards to life or property in the neighborhood.
7. Whether such use would inherently lead to or encourage disturbing influences in the neighborhood.
8. Whether stored equipment or materials would be screened and whether there would be continuous operation within the visible range of surrounding residences.
9. Abatement of Environmental Hazards as regulated in this Ordinance.
10. Other factors impacting the public health, safety and welfare.

I. The Planning Commission and/or the Department shall have the authority to request additional information from the applicant and/or landowner concerning operational factors or to retain expert testimony with the consent and at the expense of the applicant and/or landowner concerning operational factors, said information to be declared necessary to establish performance conditions in relation to all pertinent Sections of this Ordinance.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION CONSIDERATIONS

The Planning Commission shall recommend such conditions relating to the granting of said Conditional Use Permit, as they deem necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Ordinance or recommend that the request be denied. Such recommendation shall be in writing. The conditions may include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Increasing the required lot size or yard dimension.
2. Limiting the height, size, or location of the structures.
3. Controlling the location, size, and number of vehicle access points.
4. Increasing the street width.
5. Increasing the number of required off-street parking space.

6. Limiting the number, size, location, or lighting of signs.
7. Requiring diking, fencing, screening, landscaping or other facilities to protect adjacent or nearby property.

ADDITIONAL REVIEW COMMENTS

1. This request was sent to the County’s Senior Planner, Jon Hammel for review. In his review Mr. Hammel stated in 2025, septic system #3 was permitted and installed, with the tanks on the southern property and the soil treatment area on the northern property. The system was sized specifically to accommodate the 19 proposed additional campsites. The new mounds and the required septic reserve areas now occupy the majority of the northern property. Future expansion of the soil treatment areas is very likely not possible on the northern property.

Septic system #1 is designed to accommodate 29 campsites, 3 cabins, the lodge/store, and the pool house. The system is already at design capacity. The change in use from lodge to tavern would put the system over capacity. Without acquiring additional land, the ability to locate another full system on the resort properties is very unlikely. On December 29, 2025, the owners’ designer submitted a holding tank design to serve the tavern. The design includes one large holding tank with a capacity of 18,000 gallons. After a preliminary review by septic staff, the proposal appears to be feasible. There appears to only be a small number of revisions that would be necessary prior to approval. An agreement was made between the County and the property owner that septic system #1 be allowed to continue serving the tavern while the campground is closed for the winter season. However, prior to April 1, 2026, when the new camping season begins, the tavern must be connected to a new system. A condition will be added to this effect.

2. This request was sent to Andrew Nicolin with the County’s Public Health Department. In his review Mr. Nicolin stated, additional campsites and the expansion of the lodge hours are unlikely to pose a threat to the wells in the campground. The owners recently had a new well and larger waterlines installed so future capacity should not be an issue. If this request is approved, the owners would be required to go through an Recreational Camping Area (RCA) Plan Review with the County’s Public Health Department prior to the installation of the proposed sites. Water supply is one of the components of this review.
3. This request was sent to Mn DNR Area Hydrologist Alan Gleisner for review. At the time this staff report was written, the County had not received any comments. More information may be available during the Planning Commission public hearing.

PROPOSED FINDINGS

1. **The conditional use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminishes and impairs property values within the immediate vicinity.**
 - The expansion of Tier 3 in the campground would have no impact on surrounding property. The area where the expansion would occur is immediately adjacent to a County Road and other developed areas of the campground. Therefore, it appears unlikely this request would be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other properties in the immediate vicinity.
2. **The establishment of the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.**
 - The campground has been in place since the 1950’s. This expansion would have no impact on the ability of the owners of surrounding property to develop in the future. In addition, the proposed intensification of the lodge would not require any expansion of the structure, nor would it impose any burden on the surrounding properties. Therefore, it appears unlikely that this request would impede the normal development of surrounding vacant properties.
3. **Adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other facilities have been or are being provided.**
 - The applicants recently had one of their access points, that was previously deemed to be non-compliant, found to be compliant and approved by the County Highway Engineer. In addition, they have installed a gravel parking area for overflow parking and installed a stormwater pond and new septic system to accommodate the proposed expansion. Therefore, it appears as though the proposed use is providing adequate utilities, drainage, and other facilities.

4. **Adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to service the proposed use.**
 - Based on the required parking standards, the campground would need to provide a minimum of 21 parking spaces to accommodate the expanded use of the lodge. The applicants have worked with staff and developed a parking plan that shows they have room for 15 parking spaces in front of the lodge and another 6 by the shed on the main parcel. In addition, there is room for approximately 35 spaces across the street in the overflow lot. Therefore, the proposed use appears to be providing an adequate amount of off-street parking to service the proposed use.
5. **Adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent and control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise, and vibration, so none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control any lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result.**
 - The use should not produce any offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise, or vibrations outside of the initial construction. The area where the expansion would occur does not border any developed parcels. In addition, the lodge is located away from neighboring parcels so the expanding operating hours should not result in a nuisance to neighboring landowners. Therefore, the proposed use appears unlikely to create a nuisance for any neighboring properties.
6. **The conditional use is consistent with and supported by the statement of purposes, policies, goals, and objectives in the Ordinance.**
 - Campgrounds and Taverns are a listed conditional use within the Recreational Commercial Zoning District. Provided all standards are being met, the proposed use meets this requirement. Based on this information it appears the conditional use is consistent by the statement of purposes, policies, goals, and objectives in the Ordinance. Therefore, the Conditional Use Amendment appears to be meeting this standard.
7. **The conditional use is consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.**
 - One of the listed goals in the County’s Land Use Plan is to Improve water quality in Le Sueur County. The proposed expansion would incorporate a stormwater pond and two new septic systems to help ensure the campground is doing its part to meet this standard. Therefore, the proposed use appears to be consistent with the Land Use Plan.

PROPOSED CONDITIONS

1. *If approved*, the Project Description and Site Maps (submitted December 17, 2025) would become part of the permit. Any deviation from this request would trigger a review from the Environmental Services Department for determination of whether the Conditional Use Permit needs to be amended.
2. *If approved*, the Conditional Use Permit shall remain valid provided all requirements of the Ordinance and approved conditions are being met.
3. *If approved*, the County’s Environmental Services Department shall conduct biannual inspections of the facility to ensure maintenance of the stormwater pond and compliance with the standards of the Conditional Use Permit.
4. An extension must be requested in writing and filed with the Department at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the Conditional Use Permit.
5. *If approved*, a Zoning Permit shall be issued prior to installation of the septic system servicing the lodge.
6. *If approved*, Beaver Dam Campground shall contact the Le Sueur County Environmental Services Department no less than ten (10) days prior to the start of any scheduled Special Event and provide staff with any requested information related to the Special Event as listed in the Zoning Ordinance.
7. *If approved*, the lodge shall be disconnected from System #1 and the new septic system servicing the lodge shall be installed and operational prior to April 1, 2026
8. *If approved*, the owners of the Beaver Dam Campground shall monitor the pedestrian crossing from their auxiliary parking area to the main campground across CSAH 12 to determine if any pedestrian safety measures should be incorporated.
9. *If approved*, all parking shall occur within the individual campsites, the auxiliary parking lot to the north, or within the designated parking spaces as shown in the plan. Parking within any public road right-of-way shall be prohibited.



CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

LE SUEUR COUNTY
PLANNING COMMISSION
88 SOUTH PARK AVENUE
LE CENTER, MN 56057



Application Date:	<u>December 17, 2025</u>	Permit Number:	<u>PCCUP-001049-2005</u>	Fee:	<u>\$996.00</u>
60-Day Ruling Date:	<u>February 12, 2026</u>	911-Address:	<u>46115 Beaver Dam Road, Cleveland MN</u>		
Applicant(s):	<u>Andy & Brent Buysse</u>	Landowner(s):	<u>Beaver Dam Resort</u>		
Mailing Address:	_____	Mailing Address:	<u>46115 Beaver Dam Road</u>		
City:	_____	City:	<u>Cleveland</u>		
State:	_____ Zip: _____	State:	<u>MN</u>		Zip: <u>56017</u>
Phone:	_____	Phone:	_____		
Email:	_____	Email:	_____		

Township:	<u>Cordova & Elysian</u>	Parcel No.:	<u>04.430.0150, 04.440.0130, & 02.032.0111</u>		
Section:	<u>5</u>	Subdivision:	<u>Beaver Dam Plat & Auditor's Subd. of Gov't Lot 1</u>		
TWP #:	_____	Lot #:	<u>1</u>	Zoning District:	<u>RC</u>
Range#:	_____	Block#:	<u>4</u>	FEMA Panel #:	<u>27079C0 300E</u>
1/4 - 1/4:	_____	Road Type:	<u>CR</u>	Flood Zone:	<u>X-Outside</u>

I (We), the undersigned, owner(s) and/or applicant(s) of the property described herein, do hereby respectfully petition your Honorable Bodies to grant a Conditional Use Permit, as hereinafter designated, and in support thereof, the following facts are presented:

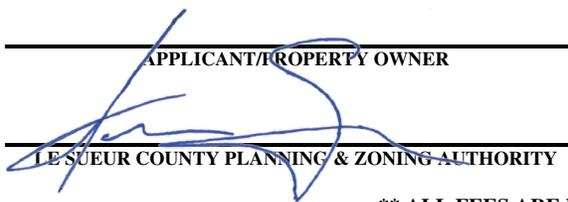
1.) Reason for the Request:

Requests that the County amend Conditional Use Permits #15023 and #2021108 to add 19 campsites in Tier 3, permit a series of public Special Events, allow year-round lodge operations, and upgrade the liquor license for on- and off-sale of 5.0% beer and alcohol at the Beaver Dam Campground in a Recreational Commercial zoning district.

2.) Reasons for approval or denial of the request are listed in the Findings of Fact.

3.) Special Conditions of the Conditional Use Permit:

Please see the Final Decision Notice for all Conditions related to this request.

_____ APPLICANT/PROPERTY OWNER	_____ DATE
 LE SUEUR COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING AUTHORITY	<u>December 17, 2025</u> DATE

**** ALL FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE****

PUBLIC HEARING DATE:	<u>January 15, 2026</u>	RECOMMENDATION:	_____
	_____	AS WRITTEN IN THE REPORT	_____
		WITH SPECIAL CONDITIONS	
COUNTY BOARD DATE:	<u>February 3, 2026</u>	ACTION:	_____
	_____	AS WRITTEN IN THE REPORT	_____
		WITH SPECIAL CONDITIONS	

_____ PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR	_____ DATE
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_____ BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CHAIR	_____ DATE
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CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT



FINDINGS OF FACT

Name of Applicant(s) or Landowner(s): Beaver Dam Resort - Andy & Brent Buysse

County Board Meeting Date: February 3, 2026

Permit #: PCCUP-001049-2025

Conditional Use Permit Request: Requests that the County amend Conditional Use Permits #15023 and #2021108 to add 19 campsites in Tier 3, permit a series of public Special Events, allow year-round lodge operations, and upgrade the liquor license for on- and off-sale of 5.0% beer and alcohol at the Beaver Dam Campground in a Recreational Commercial zoning district.

- A. Conditional uses may be approved upon a showing by an applicant that standards and criteria stated in the ordinance will be satisfied.
- B. Such standards and criteria shall include both general requirements for all conditional uses and, insofar as practicable, requirements specific to each designated conditional use.
- C. In connection with ordering the issuance of a conditional use permit the designated approval authority may impose such additional restrictions or conditions as it deems necessary to protect the public interest, including but not limited to matters relating to appearance, lighting, hours of operation and performance characteristics.

Y N 1.) The conditional use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminishes and impairs property values within the immediate vicinity.

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Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

Y N 2.) The establishment of the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.

<input type="checkbox"/>						
Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

Y N 3.) Adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other facilities have been or are being provided.

<input type="checkbox"/>						
Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

Y N 4.) Adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to service the proposed use.

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Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

Y N 5.) Adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent and control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise, and vibration, so none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control any lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result.

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Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

Y N 6.) The conditional use is consistent with and supported by the statement of purposes, policies, goals and objectives in the Ordinance.

<input type="checkbox"/>						
Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

Y N 7.) The conditional use is consistent with the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

<input type="checkbox"/>						
Mike R.	Pam T.	Doug K.	Shirley K.	Tina K.	Al G.	Jeanne D.

Finding: _____

D. IF THE PLANNING COMMISSION DETERMINES ALL OF THE ABOVE STANDARDS HAVE BEEN MET BY A SIMPLE MAJORITY, THEN THE STANDARD FOR GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT HAS BEEN MET.

ACTION: RECOMMEND APPROVAL RECOMMEND DENIAL NO RECOMMENDATION

CONDITION(S): _____

APPLICANT'S RESPONSE TO THE CONDITIONS: _____

PLANNING COMMISSION CHAIR

DATE

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

88 South Park Avenue, Le Center MN 56057

Website: www.lesueurcounty.gov

Phone: 507-357-8538 Email: EnvServices@lesueurcounty.gov



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Application – Conditional Use Permit

I. Applicant:

Name Beaver Dam Resort
Mailing Address 3132 River Meadows Drive
City Mankato State MN Zip 56001
Phone # Andy - 507.317.1313 Phone # Kylian - 507.317.6351

II. Landowner:

Name Andy & Brent Buysse
Mailing Address 46115 Beaver Dam Road
City Cleveland State MN Zip 56017

Property Address 46115 Beaver Dam Road
City Cleveland State MN Zip 56017
Phone # _____ Phone # _____

III. Parcel Information:

Parcel Number 04.430.0150 Parcel Acreage 13.16
Attach Full Legal Description (**NOT** abbreviated description from tax statement)
Township Elysian Section 5
Subdivision Hoffman's Addition Lot _____ Block _____

IV. Township Notification: Township must be notified of proposed use prior to application.

Elysian Township notified on _____
(Township Name) (Date)

Board Member _____ regarding the proposed use.
(Name)

V. Quantities and Submittal Formats:

- a. One (1) reproducible 8.5" x 11" copy of the request and all other supporting documents.
- b. An electronic version of any supporting documents is preferred, *if available*.
- c. Additional copies may be requested as deemed necessary by the Department.

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VI. Fees:

CUP Application:	\$	950
Time Extension:	\$	750
After the Fact Application:	\$	1900
Filing Fee:	\$	46
Special Meeting:	\$	2,000
After the Fact Penalty:	\$	1,500 OR 10% of value of improvement (whichever is greater)

VII. Zoning:

- o Conservancy
- o Urban & Rural Residential
- o General Industry
- o Recreational Residential
- o Agricultural
- o General Business
- o Special Protection
- o Recreational Commercial

VIII. Type of Request:

Amendment to an existing CUP - 19 additional sites in Tier 3, upgraded liquor license, ability to host Special Events, and revised operations of the lodge.

IX. Description of Request:

- a. A full description of request with detailed information must be attached.
- b. Complete the following in relationship to the proposed Conditional Use Permit.
 1. Proposed Days & Hours of Operation: See attached description
 2. Estimated Daily Trips Generated by the Proposed Use: See attached description
 3. List of Public Sanitation Plans:
 - a. Water Supply: See attached description
 - b. Restroom Facilities: See attached description
 - c. Solid Waste Collection: See attached description
 4. Fire Prevention: See attached description
 5. Security Plans: See attached description
 6. Retail Sales: See attached description
 7. Food and/or Alcohol served or for Sale: See attached description

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8. Describe any services requested to be provided by the County:

See attached description

9. Describe the use of any Amplified Sound:

See attached description

10. Describe the use of any Exterior Lighting:

See attached description

11. Describe the management of Parking and Loading:

See attached description

12. All Proposed Signage: See attached description

13. Road Access (Approved by the Road Authority): See attached description

14. Certificate of Insurance; See attached description

15. Meet all Applicable County, State, & Federal Regulations (additional licensing / permitting):

See attached description

X. Site Plan: Shall include but not limited to the following:

- North Point
- Lake
- Existing Structures
- Septic System
- Setbacks
- River
- Proposed Structures
- Well
- Property Lines
- Wetlands
- Lot Dimensions
- Access (Size & Location)
- Road Rights-of-Way
- Streams
- Easements
- Drainage
- Parking
- Ponds
- Landscape, Screening, and/or Buffering

**** Site Plan & As-Built may be required to be completed by a licensed surveyor or professional engineer. ****

XI. Attachments:

- Description of Request - See Part IX for full details and requirements.
- Site Plan - See Part X for full details and requirements.
- Full Legal Description - Not abbreviated description from tax statement
- Access Approval - Attach approval in writing from proper road authority
- Township Notification - See Part IV for details and requirements
- Septic System Compliance Inspection (when applicable)
- Erosion Control Plan - Attach completed and signed plan including map
- Floor Plans and/or Building Plans

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XII. Procedure:

- a. A pre-application meeting is highly recommended. Please note, applications submitted without having a pre-application meeting may need to be delayed if the submitted application cannot be deemed complete prior to the required application deadline. **Please note that scheduling an Appointment for this meeting is required.**
- b. An application must be submitted either in person or electronically by the applicant and/or landowner no later than 2 P.M. on the date of application deadline.
- c. All required information must be submitted at the time of application, or the application may not be deemed complete.
- d. Incomplete applications shall be placed on Hold until such time all required information is submitted.
- e. **All fees shall be paid at the time of application.**
- f. The Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing on the proposed Conditional Use Permit at a scheduled Planning Commission meeting.
- g. The Planning Commission is an advisory board to the County Board of Commissioners and will make a recommendation to the County Board.
- h. The Department shall report the Findings and recommendations of the Planning Commission to the County Board for final decision.
- i. Action by the County Board shall be a majority vote of its members.
- j. The Department shall notify the applicant and/or landowner in writing of the County Board decision.
- k. A certified copy of the Conditional Use Permit shall be filed with the Le Sueur County Recorder by the Department.

XIII. Acknowledgement:

I understand that Le Sueur County will never request payment from applicants via wire transfer, gift cards, cryptocurrency, or any other unconventional or insecure method. Any such request should be considered fraudulent and treated as a scam.

If I receive a suspicious communication claiming to be from Le Sueur County and asking for payment, I will not respond or send any money. Instead, I will immediately report the incident to Le Sueur Environmental Services Department and to the appropriate authorities, such as the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) or local law enforcement.

By signing below, I acknowledge this policy and agree to remain vigilant against potential scams.

XIV. Signatures:

Applicant signature

Date

12-22-25

Property Owner signature

Date

12-22-25

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR BEAVER DAM RESORT

Beaver Dam Resort LLC

46115 Beaver Dam Road Cleveland MN 56017

Andy Buysse 507-317-1313 / Brent Buysse 507-317-7456

Andy.buysse@northcentralintl.com

Property Information

Address: 46115 Beaver Dam Rd. Cleveland MN 56017

Parcel ID 04.430.0150

Description: Aud Sub/ Lot 1 Sec 5 (Jeff) 13.76 AC Outlot 2 less 1/33 AC & Outlot 3 Less .12 AC & Less Hoffman's Addn.

13.76 acres

NON-Homestead Commercial Seasonal Recreation Resort
Elysian Township

Parcel ID 04.440.0130

Description: Beaver Dam Plat (Jefferson) Lot 1, Block 4

0.573 acres

Non-Homestead Commercial Seasonal Recreation Resort
Elysian Township

Address: 23916 German Lake Rd., Cleveland MN 56017

Parcel ID 02.032.0111

Description: Sect-32 Twp-110 Range-024 5.07 AC Comm at W ¼ Cor of Sec 32th S 1913 FT. TH SE'LY along NON- Tangential Curve 309.94 FT. TH E 576.11 FT to POB. TH E 475 FT to E Line of SW ¼ of SW ¼. TH S 592.2 FT TH W 305.90 FT. N 306.24 FT. W 185.01 FT. N 290 FT to POB

5.07 acres

NON-Homestead 1-3 UNIMPR Land
Cordova Township

SITE ANALYSIS

The (3) parcels that make up Beaver Dam Campground are all irregular in shape and are accessed from County Road 12/German Lake Rd or Beaver Dam Road, both asphalt County roads. The sites are 0.573, 5.07, and 13.76 acres. When combined, the lakeside sites have approximately 470' of lake frontage. The land in this area is mostly flat at street grade with mature trees. The main 13.76-acre parcel supports the campground, cabins and store. The 5.07-acre site is vacant land and includes septic mounds. There is also a gravel driveway and newly created parking areas. The RV / Camp sites have water and sewer services, and electrical connections. There are docks and boat slips. There is a large septic system that services the RV sites and cabins. The septic system is continually monitored and inspected for compliance. In 2024, a new septic was installed with new electrical for a total of \$315,000. There are (70) RV sites, (2) rentable cabins and an office/lodge supported by the main parcel. The second parcel is land and houses the septic mounds, across German Lake Road to the north. Beaver Dam Road bisects the resort with the store, pool, shower house, and cabins with the bulk of the RV sites and the maintenance shed north of the road. All sites meet the minimum required 2,000 sf standard and are able to provide adequate space for a camper, parking, deck/platform, etc.

There are 70 (RV) pad sites which are a mix of gravel base and crushed granite base. Each site has water/sewer and electricity. There is a large septic system that services all the RV sites and cabins. The septic system is new, and lines are new. There is a 42' x 81' (3,402 sf) steel shed with a steel roof used for maintenance, storage, and a new well and pumphouse also servicing the site. This area houses boat storage in the winter and is not fully insulated. There are 2 rental cabins. The 1960 cabin (7) is 16' x 28' (448 sf). The 1965 cabin (8) is 18' x 28' (504 sf). All cabins have 2 bedrooms, an open concept kitchen and living area, a hide-a-bed, carpeting, air conditioning and ceiling fans in the living room and bedrooms. There is a fish cleaning and laundry structure of 14' x 20' (280 sf) with wood frame construction, metal roof on concrete floor. The interior is lined with wood and the floor is epoxy. There is a 22' x 32' (704 sf) bath/shower house with two shower/changing areas next to a pool. The bath house is wood frame construction with asphalt shingle roof. The bath house has ceramic tile flooring and walls and painted gypsum board ceilings. There is a single-story lodge/store building of 20' x 62' (1,240 sf) and a 1,755-sf deck. The construction envelope includes concrete foundation, wood interior framing, and painted concrete exterior with an asphalt shingled roof. There are double-hung and slider windows. The interior has vinyl tile flooring and wood walls and ceiling with mounted fluorescent lighting. There is a kitchen that serves food. There is a single-user restroom in the lodge with ceramic tile flooring and wainscoting and painted gypsum board walls and ceiling. There is a new water heater and new mini-slit servicing the lodge/store.

In May of 2024, a variance was approved that allowed a total of fifty (50) boat slips to be shared between the two lakeside parcels. There has recently been 100' of dock added for a total of 50 dock slips. The 2024 variance also approved increases to maximum impervious surface, the density in Tier 3, and decreased the overall required Open Space. The purpose of the variance was to determine whether the campground would be able to support a future expansion. After the variance was approved, a stormwater pond was installed to capture and properly manage stormwater runoff from the future impervious surface.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Beaver Dam lodge hours of operation will be Wednesday through Sunday In the Summer and Thursday through Sunday in the winter. The hours may vary from 7 AM to 1 AM depending on the time of year and special events, but at no time will the lodge ever be open more than 16 hours on any given day.

LODGE SERVICES

The lodge provides food services and strong beer/liquor sales. Food services can range from breakfast to dinner. Fried food / Pizza and Burgers also ice cream and candy. The menu is subject to change at the owner's discretion provided it adheres to public health regulations and standards. A Conditional Use Permit that was approved in 2015, allowed the Lodge to also sell apparel, groceries, bait, and tackle. That 2015 Conditional Use Permit also allowed the on and off sale of 3/2 alcoholic beverages. The owners of Beaver Dam Campground are requesting this standard be revised to add the on and off sale of all beer, wine, and other intoxicating liquors.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PERSONS TO ATTEND

The total number of campers and lodge customers is between 350-450 customers per week with a higher range being on holidays.

ONSITE SEPTIC SYSTEM

In 2023, the Campground upgraded its septic system to increase the overall capacity to accommodate the additional camp sites approved in the 2021 CUP amendment while under previous ownership. In 2025, the septic was again updated to add more capacity in anticipation of a potential future expansion that includes more camp sites in Tier 3. The future upgrade of the kitchen and the significant increase in patronage moves the Lodge into a different flow determination for sizing the septic system. The Lodge was originally sized for "short-order w/ no alcohol" of 25 people per day at 7 gallons per person (175 gallons per day into System #1). Based on the proposed increased usage and the increased seating, the Lodge would now be calculated at 30 gallons per day, per seat. There are currently 78 seats

inside and out so the capacity for the Lodge would need to increase from 175 gallons per day to 2,340 gallons per day. System #1 is sized for 2,400 gallons per day. The Lodge, 3 cabins, 29 campsites and the Pool House flow into System #1 at a total of 2,400 gallons per day. To accommodate the proposed changes to the Lodge, we need to increase the overall septic system capacity or seek alternate means of calculating the required capacity.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Updated kitchen plumbing and sink fixtures to bring the kitchen up to current health codes. Including but not limited to a new stainless steel hand washing station. New 4 compartment stainless steel sink. Future plans include an update to the kitchen to include but not limited to adding a flat top and fryer. A new stainless steel kitchen hood with fire suppression and make-up air system will also be installed.

There are two (2) wells servicing the campground. The newest well provides water to the lodge year-round.

Toilet facilities- complete septic system updated in 2023.

Solid waste collection- multiple dumpsters used for collection. The campground is contracted with Hason Sanitation for collection.

FIRE PREVENTION

Many campsites have a fire ring less than 3' in diameter. Cleveland Fire Dept provides coverage for fire and rescue for the resort.

SECURITY PLAN

The owners have a good working relationship with the Le Sueur Co. Sheriff's Department.

RETAIL SALES

The only retail sales are contained to the Lodge.

COUNTY SERVICES OR PERSONAL

We have worked with most of the Environmental services staff including Aaron Stubbs, Michelle Mettler, Holly Bushman and Trevor Rudenick. We have also worked with Andrew Nicolin who is with the Public Health Department and with Dave Tiegs who is with the Highway Department, and our County Commissioners David Preisler and Steven Rohlfig.

SOUND AMPLIFICATION, PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM, PLAYING OF MUSIC

Sound amplification is limited in the main campground as it is surrounded by trees on nearly all sides. The campground typically has music playing by the pool area and on the lakeside deck. Quiet time in the campground is observed nightly and begins at 11PM. The campground no longer has a public address system. Most communication is done by phone and text messaging. We will have all campers email addresses and could add in mass email notification alert.

EXTERIOR LIGHTING

The Lodge, Lodge parking lot, pool, shoreline and the shed all have exterior lighting for safety. Beaver Dam would like to reserve the right to add or remove lighting as needed for safety and security. If approved, all future lighting would be positioned in accordance with the applicable County outdoor lighting standards.

PARKING AND LOADING

The resort currently has a main parking lot on the north side of the campground, across German lake Road, and also has an off-street parking and loading area between the Lodge and Beaver Dam Rd. This parking area is used primarily for store customers and for staging boats and trailers that are being launched at the boat landing. In addition, each campsite is large enough to allow for some level of parking within the approved site.

SIGNAGE

The campground currently has signage at road intersections. We would like to reserve the right to add signage to the Lodge and more/different signage at the intersections. All future signage would be reviewed and approved by the Environmental Services Department and/or the County Highway Engineer prior to any upgrades or other changes.

CURRENT ROAD ACCESS

The campground currently has two (2) access points. The main access is across from the Lodge. There is also a secondary access south of the shed that was recently approved by the County Engineer . There is also access to the northern parking lot.

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

See attached.

MEET ALL COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Owners are working diligently to bring all areas of operation to meet regulations and stay in good standing with governing parties.

EVENTS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

The campground would like to have an average of 15 events per year. Larger bands on Holidays, smaller bands on weekend nights and Sundays throughout the afternoon. During bigger bands we fence off an area and I.D. event goers and hand out wristbands for people of age. The campground also has a silo that we would like to use for events to serve beer from. Working with Health department to ensure correct permit is in place for use of the Silo during events The other events would be similar but not limited to Bingo, arts and crafts day – other events would be related to children such as a golf cart parade, kids' bingo, face painting, tricker treating and pumpkin painting. Several other items that Beaver Dam is involved in is the take a kid fishing with the Minnesota Vikings and several fishing tournaments with the Sons of the American legion in Le Sueur and the Battle of the Badges with Le Sueur Co. Sheriffs dept. and surrounding County Sheriff's departments. During these Special Events, we would bring in portable restroom facilities to offset the increase in patronage above the current septic capacity for the Lodge.

STORM SHELTER EVACUATION PLAN

The campground's shower house serves as a storm shelter. Also, uses of cell phones to advise campers of upcoming storm events.

DOCK AND BOAT SLIPS

The campground was granted a variance to have up to 50 boat slips.

MISC. ITEMS

Brush/burn pile will be located west of the parking lot.

Winter storage of boat lifts and docks will be stored on the property.

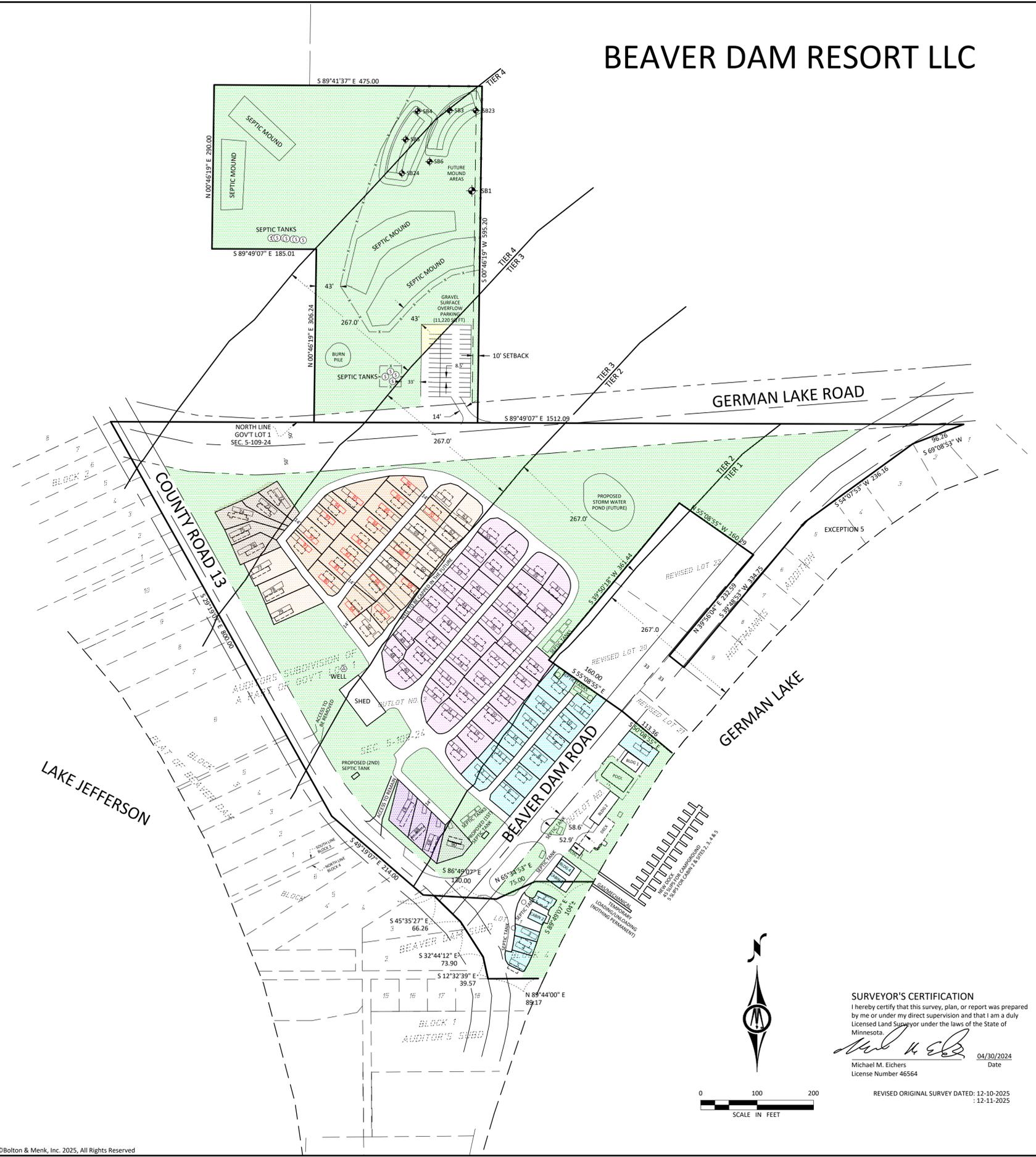
Proposed Expansion of Campground

The campground currently has 70 (RV) sites and 2 cabins. The campground has an approved variance to expand by adding 19 sites. Spring of 2026.

The parking lot on the 5-acre lot was constructed in conjunction with the storm water runoff pond. An aggregate surface has been put in place following county regulations.

The shoreline restoration was completed in fall of 2024 by MN. Earth Works.

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Tier 1 Area		Camper Site	Gravel Road	Tier 1 Area Total	162978	TIER 1 IMPERVIOUS SURFACE CALCULATIONS	
1	2047			BLDG 1 (SHOWER HOUSE)	701	TIER 1 TOTAL AREA	162978
2	804			POOL	1495	BEAVER DAM ROAD ROW	59610
3	822			BLDG 2 (STORE/BAR)	1221	SCOTCH LAKE ROAD ROW	2453
4	1012			BLDG 3 (FISH CLEANING HOUSE)	283	CAMPER 1 & DECK	440
5	1168			BLDG 4 (CABIN 2)	449	BLDG 1	701
6	2105			CABIN 1	372	POOL	1495
7	2044			DECK	1889	BLDG 2	1221
8	2032			GRAVEL SURFACE 6-11 & 12-17	4301	DECK	1889
9	2038			GRAVEL SURFACE IN FRONT OF DECK	8643	BLDG 3	283
10	2054				19354	BLDG 4	449
11	2070					CABIN 1	372
12	2015					CAMPER PADS 6-11	1140
13	2099					CAMPER DECKS 6-11	1200
14	2004					CAMPER GRAVEL 6-11	319
15	2002					GRAVEL SURFACE BETWEEN CAMP SITES 6-11, 12-17	4301
16	2008					CAMPER PAD 90	240
17	2206					CAMPER DECK 90	196
18	2052					CAMPER SITE 90 GRAVEL SURFACE	85
19	2140					GRAVEL SURFACE IN FRONT OF POOL, DECK, BLDG 1, 3, 4, CABIN 1	8643
20	2207					TOTAL	85037
21	2065						
22	2007						
23	2032						
24	2473						
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Tier 2 Area		Camper Site	Gravel Road	Tier 2 Area Total	239974	TIER 2 TOTAL AREA	239974
18	2052			SHED	2933	SHED	3446
19	2140			GRAVEL SURFACE	28337	CAMPER SITES	76829
20	2207				31270	GRAVEL SURFACE	28337
21	2065					TOTAL	108612
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56	2000			Overflow Parking	9766	CAMPER SITES	65430
57	2025			Shed	513	GRAVEL SURFACE	15558
59	2052			Gravel Surfaces between camp sites	15588	OVERFLOW PARKING	11220
60	2001				25837	TOTAL	92208
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Tier 4 Area		Camper Site	Gravel Road	Tier 4 Area Total	180747 W/ ROW	TIER 4 TOTAL AREA - NO ROW	137354
72	2079			Overflow Parking	1453	CAMPER SITES	12004
73	2038			Gravel Access Road	1453	OVERFLOW PARKING	1453
74	2956						
75	2251						
76	2680						
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56	2000			Overflow Parking	9766	GRAVEL PARKING OVERFLOW	11220
57	2025			Shed	513	GRAVEL ENTRANCE	195
59	2052			Gravel Surfaces between camp sites	15588	SCOTCH LAKE ROAD ROW	45869
60	2001				25837	GERMAN LAKE ROAD ROW	79278
61	2005					BEAVER DAM ROAD ROW	59610
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General Recommendations

- Only light the number of piles that can be adequately supervised at any one time (maximum of 3).
 - Have a water supply available and a means of dispensing it.
 - Piles should be sufficiently spaced and away from surrounding vegetation so that the potential for radiant heat to ignite and spread the fire is eliminated. You should be able to comfortably stand between the burning pile and any structure.
 - By keeping piles small in size, clean of soil, and well spaced, you will be able to more efficiently control the amount of debris that is burning at any one time.
 - When you think burning is complete, examine the ashes. Touch them to make sure they are cold. Use water as necessary to make sure it is out and cannot reignite.
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Minnesota DNR burning permits only allow the burning of clean vegetative matter.

This means unpainted, unstained and untreated wood and brush.

Unless restricted by local ordinances, you may also burn:

- Leaves
- Grass

Permits DO NOT allow the burning of:

- Painted wood or Paper
 - Plastic or other prohibited materials
 - Garbage
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Why does this matter?

Burning garbage or treated materials releases toxins that contaminate our air, water and soil. These toxins can cause serious health problems including cancer.

Is this a new concern?

No, household garbage burning has been illegal in Minnesota since 1969. New reports show that backyard garbage burning is now the LARGEST source of deadly dioxins in the United States.

Dispose of your garbage the safe way!

- Recycle or reuse
- Compost or chip yard waste
- Use garbage services

If you are burning garbage, you may be making poison.

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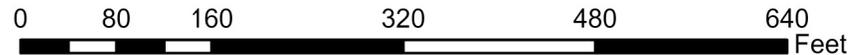


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