

RESTORE BADIN LAKE

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2026 Treatments are Underway

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The first two of six black algae treatments for 2026 was completed in April and May.. Supporters of this effort generously donated funds to treat a total of 32.19 acres in 2026. this is an increase from 2025's treatment area of 14.1 acres.

It is exciting to see and hear the Aqua Services airboat start treatments but we must remember that this is a multi-year journey. NCSU treatment research indicates that it may take 4 years of treatments to clear an area. This year's treatment of 14.1 areas is Year 2 of 4 and the 18.09 additional acres is Year 1 of 4.

Thank you for your continued support! We still need donations so please visit our RBL website.



I Joined the Journey! . . . How about you?



2026 Corporate Partners

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The black algae treatment plan for 2026 has been made possible by several generous companies. These corporate partners serve our community on a daily basis and have also chosen to show their support for the RBL efforts by their financial contributions. Visit our webpage to learn more about our Corporate Partners.

(<https://www.restorebadinlake.org/partners>)

Please join RBL in thanking our corporate partners and when possible support these businesses in our community.

DIAMOND PARTNERS (\$5000+)

Heron Bay HOA **

McConnell Golf **

Old North State Realty **

Uwharrie Point Community Association. **

Uwharrie Point Community Foundation **

GOLD PARTNERS (\$1000+)

Badin Lake Vounteer Fire Department **

SILVER PARTNERS (\$500+)

First Bank *

* indicates the years of donations

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The Challenge of a Non-Profit

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The challenge for every non-profit is to sustain a steady flow of donations. Non-profits do not manufacture or sell products. They rely on people who share the vision and trust management to be good stewards. RBL has been fortunate to have a dedicated group of donors for the past two years, but we do need your help because things change.

- Each year, donors sell and leave the area. New owners purchase homes and lots and do not know about RBL. Please share the RBL story with new residents when you meet them.
- While waterfront homes benefit the most, that is why their suggested donations is \$750-\$2000. However, it is also reasonable to submit that algae-free shorelines and coves improve everyone's property values. .
- RBL applied for a grant and we are researching a possible matching grant opportunity. One common question asked is, "Tell us about your donor base." Currently we have about a 20% participation rate, leaving about 600 neighbors on the sidelines. If we could just get 200 to **Join the Journey**, our participation rate would be 50%. That would be impressive! A donation of \$100 or more would definitely help us financially and show grantors that there is a strong community support for RBL and our mission.

Remember no donation is too small!

RBL Files for a T-Mobile Grant

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In April, RBL applied for a grant from T-Mobile Home Town Grants for up to \$50,000. This grant is specifically for a non-profit, 501C3, operating in a town with fewer than 5000 residents. Projects must focus on enhancing, restoring, and revitalizing such things as streets, recreational areas, and increasing community access. All funds must be utilized within 12 months. Grantees will be announced in June. We are optimistic but we also know the competition is nationwide.

A special shout-out to William Baumann, son of Bill and Tina Baumann of Uwharrie Point, who uncovered this opportunity. William asked if RBL could use him to do some community non-profit work for a school assignment. We asked him to research grants. Thanks William for your great work!

President's Message

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On April 12 and May 13th, two treatments for 2026 were completed. For the RBL team, it is a time filled with abundant gratitude and amazement. We stand in sincere gratitude to the many residents of Heron Bay, Uwharrie Point, area companies and other lake communities who contributed to the algae treatment programs for a second year and to all those who **Joined The Journey** this year. We look back in sheer amazement that a journey, beginning with a dream in 2021, is now successfully treating 32 acres of Badin Lake for algae.