
RESTORE BADIN LAKE

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August 2025

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Clear The Way

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The third of four black algae treatments was completed and we have the last treatment of the season targeted for September. In preparation for this final treatment for the summer, please try to make sure the Airboat has unobstructed access to the treatment area. This means any logs or other obstructions should be removed if possible. The Airboat driver can turn it on a dime, but the Airboat can not get to areas blocked with logs or other obstructions. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Share Your Shots

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If you have a favorite photo of Badin Lake and would like to share it for display on our website, contact Jen Caldwell by going to www.restorebadinlake.org and click on Contact Us. Photos must be 300DPI hi-resolution. Please note that photos from cell phones have proven to be difficult to use.

Fundraising Update

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RBL is excited to announce that we have exceeded our goal for this year. At this point 27% of the lot owners in Heron Bay and Uwharrie Point Community Associations have contributed to the health of Badin Lake. In addition to lot owners, family trusts and several local companies have contributed to our fund, recognizing the importance of the treatments. If the donations continue and the amount matches or exceeds the amount collected in 2025, then we can evaluate how to expand the treatment areas for 2026. THANK YOU to everyone who ***Joined the Journey*** with a donation. If you have not made a 2025 donation, it is not too late please consider an additional donation. Go to www.restorebadinlake.org and donate online.

The Remainder of 2025

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The last treatment will take place in September. Over the Fall, the remaining shoreline and coves of Heron Bay and Uwharrie Point will be mapped and quoted for possible treatments. If you see algae in your area, go to www.restorebadinlake.org and share your street address and comments with us.

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Upstream Nutrient Loading Feeds the Black Algae

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High levels of nutrients in the waterways act as fertilizer for algae and can lead to excessive algal growth or an algal bloom as is the case with the black algae on Badin Lake. YRK is advocating for the High Rock Lake Rules with the goal of reducing nutrient pollution, therefore, reducing algal growth.

Yadkin Riverkeeper is a nonprofit, membership organization whose mission is to protect and enhance the Yadkin Pee Dee River basin through education, advocacy and action. YRK's efforts to reduce the high level of nutrients will benefit our efforts to reduce the Black Mat Algae in Badin Lake. Please click on the link below to learn more about YRK and their efforts to protect and enhance the Yadkin Pee Dee River.

<https://www.yadkinriverkeeper.org/news/hrl-update>

Alcoa's NPDES Permit Renewal

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Protect Badin Lake in conjunction with Yadkin Riverkeeper has alerted the surrounding community about a public comment period to voice your concerns regarding the Alcoa NPDES permit in effect until August 20th. All comments in writing need to be received by August 20, 2025 by 5:00pm. There is a public hearing on August 19th in Albemarle at 6:00pm. If you have any questions, please email ProtectBadinLake@gmail.com. To respond to the Alcoa NPDS permit email publiccomments@deq.nc.gov or call ((919) 707-8604

Funding Assistance

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Restore Badin Lake is in need of anyone in the community familiar with the grant process. It is our wish to supplement, maybe replace, donation funding with government money available through grants. Please visit www.restorebadinlake.org and click on Contact Us if you can be of any assistance to us or pass on our information to anyone that can be our hero!

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Uwharrie Point Habitat Team
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Badin Lake Realty

If given the opportunity, please try to reciprocate by supporting our local businesses.