

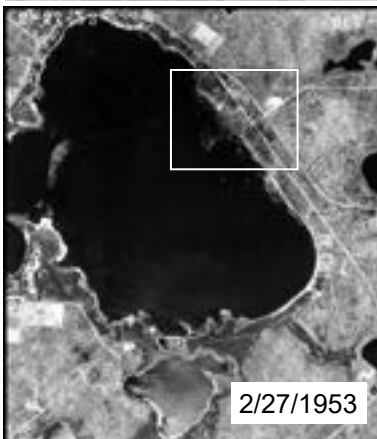
# SAVE OUR LAKES



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**The Lake Geneva Public Boat Ramp off SR 100,** has been out of service for over 30 years. The main body of the lake, currently at 92.15 FT NAVD (North American Vertical Datum), had fallen as low as 82.41 FT NAVD in 2012. When the Black Creek Water Resource Project is fully functioning, the new normal high water level is expected to be 102.9 FT NAVD. SOLO President Vivian Katz James writes:

*SOLO began meeting with the SJRWMD, Clay County and the City of Keystone Heights late last year to begin the process needed to start the “cleanup” of Lake Geneva. I put “Cleanup” in quotes for a reason!*

*Many questions must be answered before the cleanup begins:*

- 1. What can be removed and how?*
- 2. What permits are need and from whom?*
- 3. Who actually does the cleanup?*
- 4. Who gets to foot the cost?*

*This picture shows how vegetation (full grown trees) have virtually eliminated boating on the lake! The lake cleanup is a massive undertaking but we hope to begin with the clearing at this boat ramp. - Vivian*

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# BLACK CREEK PROJECT PROGRESS



Sheet Pile at Pump House Site with dewatering piping, pumps and filtering system.

Black Creek Pump Station Site



Digging the foundations at the Pump House Site. One machine saws through the hard clay and another one digs it out.



Black Creek Water Resource Development Project



SJRWMD Photo of Pipe Laydown Area in Camp Blanding



Slide from SJRWMD Progress Presentation to Governing Board 2/14/23

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*Please feel free to check us out!*

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**VERIFY on website: [www.sjrwmd.com/governingboard/](http://www.sjrwmd.com/governingboard/) (Live Streaming is available)**



**Black Creek Inlet Facility Site**

**At the Black Creek Inlet Facility Construction Site**, in the left photograph, adjacent to Black Creek, sheet pilings are being driven in place with a machine that, because of variable hardness of the subsurface soils, works as an auger and as a hydraulic hammer. The machine sits on previously driven sheet piles as it works its way around the edge of what will be the foundation for the inlet facility. This complex machine is remotely controlled from a panel manipulated by an operator seen here seated on a bucket safely away from danger.

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***Vivian will report on THE GENEVA PROJECT at our next meeting: 7PM, March 14th at the First Baptist Church. We will met in the Fellowship Hall. Look for our meeting signs around Keystone Heights, See you there!***

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