

Once again there are few people who are in the minority who wish to discredit the Directors of The AGRED Foundation and The AGRED Foundation as well. One person in particular is alleging that the AGRED Foundation has misappropriated \$100k. This is a lie and such misinformation is bordering on defamation. These kind of actions will no longer be tolerated.

For those that may have received or heard grossly incorrect information, we thought it important to discuss a few things. First, Lake Erling is privately owned by the AGRED Foundation, something that is recognized and acknowledged by the US Army Corps of Engineers, The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission and the county courthouse in Lewisville. The AGRED Foundation is compliant with the Act of Exchange and there is nothing prohibiting the Foundation from charging motorized boat owners for the use of the Lake when all of these funds are used for maintenance of Lake Erling. It is also important to understand that the boat decal program, as well as other programs, do not violate the Act of Exchange and are consistent with policies found at other lakes in the region that are used to help to defray maintenance cost. The boat decal program, as well as the dock permitting and easement program, will continue. Remember, only gasoline-equipped boats are required to have a decal. There is no launch fee at AGRED's park boat launch ramp.



The above photos taken at Cypress Black Bayou Lake in Louisiana are indicative of how most lakes, whether state owned or otherwise, enforce their permit rules. Lake front owners on this particular lake also pay an annual fee to a commission which charges higher on average than what The AGRED Foundation is legally imposing. In addition, this lake, unlike Lake Erling, enjoys assistance from the state in the form of subsidies from taxes in excess of a million dollars for the maintenance of the Cypress Black Bayou. While the above signage is not something we wish to do, it may be necessary if these few people continue to insist that they not purchase boat stickers. It is simply not right for the majority to pay their fair share while a minority chooses to shirk any responsibility. Please be advised: if non-compliance continues to be an issue, we WILL tow non-compliant vehicles at the owner's expense. We may also bring an action against the violator in civil court. It has and will always be the intention of The AGRED Foundation to ensure that Lake Erling becomes financially self-sufficient. The AGRED Foundation has assumed responsibility for the Lake and is doing what it can to lawfully accomplish this while being as fair as possible to the community and others who benefit from this beautiful lake.

Lake Erling is a private lake and if there is any doubt in mind I suggest you visit the Lewisville courthouse to review the documents, or you may visit our website at www.agredfoundation.com