

Lake Michelle [Unnamed Feature]

Recommended Name of Feature: Lake Michelle

Current Name of Feature: Unnamed Feature (WBIC 5501633)

Unnamed Feature (WBIC 5501633)	USGS - Geographic Names Information System (GNIS)
Unnamed Feature (WBIC 5501633)	WDNR – Register of Waterbodies
Unnamed Feature (WBIC 5501633)	WDNR 24k Hydrology
Unnamed Feature (WBIC 5501633)	County GIS
La Blonde Flowage 1	Google Maps
Unnamed Feature (WBIC5501633)	USGS Topography
Lake Michelle, La Blonde Flowage 1	Local Names

Location & Description: Located in the City of Hurley, unnamed feature, north of W Range View Dr and East of Lablonde Ln, Hurley WI, Iron County. Coordinates (46.462224900982115, -90.20125601631231).

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Summary:

“The waterbody known locally as “Lake Michelle” was created in the late 1960’s by the installation of a dam on” [a tributary of] “ the Montreal River, Cominski Creek. The lakebed was once farmland, until it was repurposed for extraction of gravel. When the gravel was depleted, the dam was constructed and a lake, dubbed ‘Lake Michelle’ was created. The waterbody was originally intended to serve as wildlife habitat. However, in the 1970’s a developer constructed a number of condominiums around the lake, to provide much need housing for the Hurley area. Today, Lake Michelle is infested with various invasive vegetation species. Plans are in the works to remove the infestation, so that native fauna and flora can once again flourish, and the impacted fish and wildlife can once again thrive. Unfortunately, the Lake District’s ability to secure funding to assist in the removal of invasive species as well other lake rehabilitation projects has been hampered by the fact that Lake Michelle’s name is evidently not official. Additionally, this proposal is sent by the Lake Michelle Lake District, which was established in August 2001, by resolution No. 2463, declaring this a Public Inland and Rehabilitation District. Lastly, many local lodges use Lake Michelle in their marketing.”

Local Opinion:

City of Hurley – Approved

Iron County- Supported by Joseph Pinardi (Board Chairman) of Iron County.

Decision: