



FOUR LAKES TASK FORCE April News

EVENTS

May 13, 2026

Introduction to Natural Shorelines Webinar
6:00-8:00 p.m.

July 8, 2026

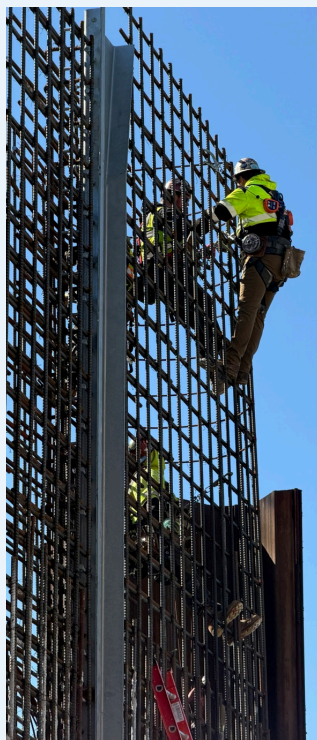
Informational Webinar
5:00-7:00 p.m.

July 16, 2026

Board Meeting
12:00-2:00 p.m.

July 30, 2026 and August 25, 2026

How to Build Your Natural Shoreline Training Sessions
6:00-8:00 p.m.



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Rain events and high waters caused some temporary delays in March – which are reflected in the KPIs below. Crews expect to make up lost time on Secord Dam so it still has an estimated substantial completion date of September. High water levels are also creating some challenges at the Smallwood Dam site, which is why the schedule performance indicator below is yellow. This month will be an exciting one for Sanford Lake residents as they watch the water level rise towards the end of the month (pending approval from EGLE). As the weather warms, crews look forward to productive days where they can bring each dam site closer to completion.

If you'd like to learn more about each dam or take a look at past construction updates, visit the new Construction section on the FLTF website by visiting four-lakes-taskforce-mi.com.

– Dave Kepler, *President, Four Lakes Task Force*

KPIs

Dam	Cost Performance Indicator (CPI)	Schedule Performance Indicator (SPI)	Quality Performance Indicator (QPI)
Secord	●	●	●
Smallwood	●	●	●
Edenville	●	●	●
Sanford	●	●	●

KEY	CPI	SPI	QPI
Green ●	Costs are on target or lower than estimated	Work is on or ahead of schedule	No significant quality issues or concerns
Yellow ●	Costs are anticipated to exceed the estimate by LT 10% (are recoverable)	Work is projected to go past the estimate (is recoverable)	Minor quality issues or concerns
Red ●	Costs are anticipated to be significantly over the estimate (requires intervention)	Work is significantly behind schedule (requires intervention)	Major issues or concerns (requires intervention)

UPCOMING MILESTONES

Edenville Dam right training wall and water control structure

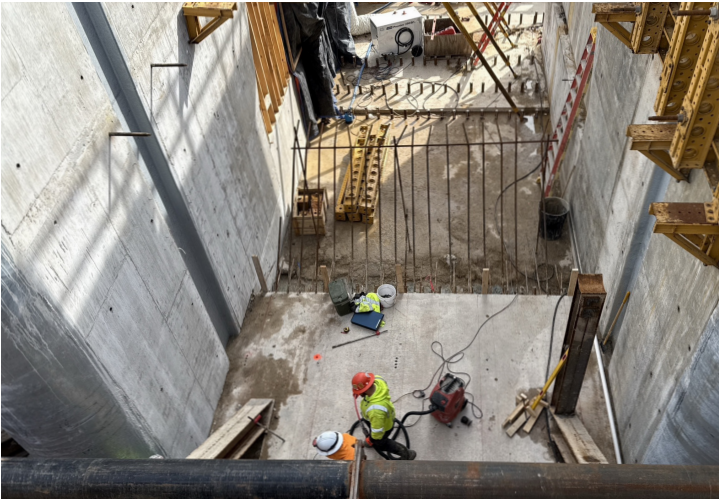
Completion of the Auxiliary spillway structural concrete on Edenville Auxiliary Spillway

Left training wall and center pier at Secord

Upstream pier extension concrete at Smallwood

Sanford Lake refill

SECORD DAM



Despite recent rain causing wet conditions within the cofferdam area, progress on site has continued steadily. Final concrete pours were made to complete the powerhouse pier. Crews are also placing the final concrete lifts for the left and right training wall piers. With significant progress made last month in the low level outlet, crews began working on sluice gate installation. Interior finishing work started inside the control building and will continue into spring.

SMALLWOOD DAM



Remaining work on the left training wall and center pier continues to progress and is scheduled for completion around mid-April. The mechanical crew began welding the heat piping for the side seal system and completed the first round of pressure-testing. Installation of the crest gate side seals is also advancing. A dedicated crew started layout work for bay two, with work scheduled to return to bay one once headwater levels recede to normal draw down conditions.

EDENVILLE DAM



Work on the Edenville auxiliary spillway and the Tittabawassee and Tobacco primary spillways continue despite the recent spring flooding events which caused delays with dewatering and clean-up time. The auxiliary spillway crest slabs are complete, which is a big milestone accomplished. Work on the training walls and I-wall forms, rebar installation and concrete pours continue. Crews completed another right training wall section along with additional water control structure walls on the Tittabawassee spillway. Dewatering and demolition of the Tobacco spillway continues along with construction the embankment retention structure.

SANFORD DAM



With construction substantially complete on Sanford Dam, the focus turns to punchlist items and various lake bottom and County work projects around the dam site. This includes working on the natural shoreline and fish habitat structure on US-10 North and South and next to the park boat launch, finishing up site grading and rip-rap placement, installing signage and fencing, placing topsoil, seed and final grading. The County projects also being completed include dredging in front of Sanford Park Beach, bringing in new sand and the restoration of the County Park Boat launch. EGLE is scheduled to visit in April to complete an on-site walkthrough of all Sanford environmental mitigation project sites. Lake refill starts this month on April 15.