

****MEDIA RELEASE****

BIG LAKE POLIC DEPARTMENT



160 Lake Street North, Big Lake MN, 55309

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LED Lighting Added to Eagle Lake Road

Eagle Lake Road (Sherburne County Road 5) is a major route of travel for pedestrians, bicycles, and motor vehicle traffic in and out of the City of Big Lake. Two issues have been of concern on this roadway to Big Lake Police, these are vehicle speed and pedestrians crossing and walking on the shoulders of the roadway. In an effort to add a higher level of visibility to these two issues and enhance safety, a decision was made to add high visibility LED crossing lights to the intersection at Glenwood and Eagle Lake Road, and an LED "30 MPH Zone Ahead" on Eagle Lake Road at Hiawatha.

Sherburne County Sheriff Joel Brott was instrumental in making the project become reality, along with the Sherburne County Engineer. Because Eagle Lake Road is a County Roadway, having the support of the Sheriff and Engineer was integral. These lights are now in place, the installation was undertaken by the City of Big Lake Public Works Department.

The total cost for this project was \$6500, \$4000 was contributed by Sheriff Brott with the remaining \$2500 from the Big Lake Police Department. Both departments utilized funds from their Traffic Safety Programs to complete this project. It continues to be a priority for all stakeholders to look at avenues to continue further safety enhancements to this area.