Blairstone Forest_Pond Report

April, May, mid-June 2022 (midori)

April

- · Water Supply adjusted accordingly based on frequency of rain
- · Broken Well Water Pump detected
- Pond Water Collected/ Tested (normal ph, high blue-green algae)
- New Well Water Pump installed (Hayes)
- Skim Algae off pond water surface (Small Pond)

May

- Skimmed Algae off pond water surface (Small Pond)
- · Applied Treatment (natural beneficial bacteria) in Ponds via boat
- Increase Water Supply
- Added Mosquito Fish by Leon County (Small Pond)
- Water Collected/ Tested (normal ph, lower blue-green algae level, high phosphate/nitrogen_to be expected)

mid-June

- Skimmed Algae (on going for control)
- Removed mature non-native Popcorn Trees (for better pond water quality) (Persica)

Pond Wildlife

- At least 2 returning goose families had hatchings, both left Forest with goslings by mid-May
- Our pond ecosystem continues to support a variety of waterfowls, reptiles, insects
- Continue to inform new residents/visitors to withhold feeding wildlife processed (human) food (Alternatives_ small amounts of organic leafy greens or wild bird seeds)
- * Reduce (or practice zero) applications of inorganic fertilizers/ pesticides