

## Final Report – Visual Component

MAISRC Subproject 4.3: Developing carp removal schemes using social learning behaviors

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A new management strategy for common carp has been developed by exploiting carp's social feeding behaviors. Large numbers of carp can be attracted to sites baited with corn and then removed using specialized nets. This approach does not impact native fish because they are not attracted to corn. This new management strategy can be applied throughout Minnesota, often engaging citizens who conduct carp baiting. Photo below shows the process of carp removal from a trap baited with cracked corn.



Photo credit: Cameron Swanson