



Loon Lake Homeowners' Association

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RE: LLHA Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention/Eradication Fund Appeal 2014

Dear LLHA Member,

At our Board of Directors meeting in July, 2009, the Board members agreed to the continuation of appealing to members to contribute to a fund to pay for yearly monitoring of our lake for invasive species. Continuing yearly contributions will not only enable us to continue to monitor for the presence of these devastating species, but also to accumulate an Eradication/ Harvesting fund in the event of infestation, which appears to be inevitable.

Please see enclosed flyer and contribution form for details. Your contribution will help to preserve our lake's excellent quality which we have so far cherished and enjoyed.

Sincerely,

Tom Bartiss
President

Loon Lake Homeowners' Association

LLHA APPEAL for INVASIVE SPECIES MONITORING and HARVESTING FUND to prevent this:



LUCKY SO FAR

A survey of Loon Lake aquatic plants conducted by Paul Smith's College Aquatic Institute this past summer revealed that no invasive species have been detected in Loon Lake. Payment for the survey's \$1000 price tag came from the LLHA Invasive species fund balance. You may recall that LLHA members resolved to conduct a \$1000 Lake surface survey each of the first 2 years of a 3 year cycle, with a \$2000 divers' survey in the 3rd year at a cost of \$4000/3 years.

FUNDS NEEDED

Considering the cost (\$50,000 - \$70,000/year or more) and efforts expended at nearby infected lakes to control the problem, it makes sense to do whatever we can to prevent infestation. If these exorbitant amounts were to be required from LLHA members, each membership would have to come up with about \$600/year or more for controlling the proliferation of these nuisance plants.

SELF INSURANCE

There is no insurance policy to cover the potential infestation of these invasive species. Therefore our fund raising is akin to **self-insurance** So your **yearly** contribution of \$25 - \$60 or more or less, hopefully will pay for monitoring and for growing the reserve fund to pay for possible harvesting/eradication.

IF WE ALL HELP A LITTLE, THE BURDEN WILL NOT BE GREAT FOR ANY ONE PROPERTY OWNER.

Please send your contribution to LLHAA, PO BOX 219, Vermontville, NY 12989

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach me at 518-891-8401,

tom@woodsedgeforestry.com, or talk to any Board Member.

October, 2014

Enclosed is a contribution to the Loon Lake Invasive Species Monitoring Fund.

Date: _____

Amount of contribution: _____

Name: _____

Camp/Address: _____

Comments:

Please make checks payable to Loon Lake Homeowners Association and mail to:

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Thank you for your generous support!