

LETTER OF NOTIFICATION

Date: March, 29, 2023

From: The Chautauqua Lake Partnership and the Towns of Busti, Ellery, North Harmony and Ellicott and the Villages of Bemus Point, Celoron and Lakewood.

Re: Herbicide application for the control of **invasive eurasian watermilfoil** and **invasive curly leaf pondweed** in portions of Chautauqua Lake using the application of registered aquatic herbicides, to supplement plant harvesting efforts.

The Towns of Ellery, North Harmony, Ellicott, and Busti, and the Villages of Bemus Point, Celoron, and Lakewood are applying for permits from the NYSDEC to conduct the following aquatic herbicides applications to control invasive lake plants:

- a. **Aquathol K (endothall, EPA Reg.#70506-176)** application is proposed to occur on one day in May, 2023 to control **invasive Curly Leaf pondweed** located in the shoreline areas of Lakewood, Busti, Ellery, Bemus Point, Ellicott and Celoron, and additional nuisance weeds in commercial dock areas and boat lanes, as shown on the attached map. The total area of **proposed** treatment covers approximately 2% of the lake. Actual treatment areas will be determined after confirming the presence of invasive species in the proposed treatment area. The application will control the nuisance plants with minimal risk of impacts to native plant or fish species.

- b. **ProcellaCOR EC (Florpyrauxifen-benzyl, EPA Reg. #67690-80)** application is proposed to occur on one day 3-4 weeks after the Aquathol k treatment and in June, 2023 to control **invasive Eurasian watermilfoil** located in the shoreline areas of Lakewood, North Harmony, Ellery and Ellicott, as shown on the attached map. The total area of **proposed** treatment covers less than 4% of the lake. Actual treatment areas will be determined after confirming the presence of invasive species in the proposed treatment area. The application will selectively control the invasive plant with minimal risk of impacts to native plant or fish species.

Water use restrictions will be in effect in certain areas of the Lake and downstream waters for the time period of the treatment PLUS the period indicated in the table below. The areas of the Lake and downstream waters to which each restriction applies are shown in the attached maps.

Water Use Restrictions

Herbicide	Swimming/ Bathing	Fishing	Livestock Watering	Drinking, culinary or food processing purposes	Irrigation (except turf)
ProcellaCOR EC	No restriction	No restriction	Until herbicide concentration levels equal < 1 ppb	No restriction	Until herbicide concentration levels equal < 1 ppb
Aquathol k	No swimming until the day after application	No restriction	No restriction	Until herbicide concentration levels equal <50 ppb	No restriction

Information on water use restrictions, including herbicide concentrations and lifting of restrictions, will be posted on the Chautauqua Lake Partnership website (<http://chqlake.org/>), and may be posted on the website of each Town and Village that receives an approved permit from NYSDEC and undertakes the application of herbicides, or by contacting the Town or Village Clerks at the numbers below. In addition, signs will be posted at public access sites around the Lake and along downstream waters notifying users of the water use restrictions. When all water restrictions are lifted, posted signs will be removed.

For actual application dates and areas, please contact Glenn Sullivan of Solitude Lake Management at gsullivan@solitudelake.com or 908-310-8775, or your appropriate Town or Village Clerk's office. Notification of the application of the treatment will also be posted at public access points on each day of application.

In the event that you as a riparian owner or those individuals or entities to whom you have granted legal access rights (vested riparian users), have any objections to the proposed application or water use restrictions, please contact the NYSDEC at the address below within 21 days of receipt of this notice. All comments must be in writing and objections must demonstrate that your use of the waterbody will be significantly affected (per the NYSDEC's policy). Lack of comment will be considered consent to the treatment and water use restrictions.

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NYSDEC, Region 9, Bureau of Pesticides Management
700 Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14209

If you wish further information about the proposed program, please contact:

Town of Ellery

Rebecca Haines, Clerk, (716) 386-3465 ext. 200

Town of Busti

Darlene H. Nygren, Clerk, (716) 763-8561

Town of Ellicott

Amy Bellardo, Clerk, (716) 665-5317 ext. 202

Village of Bemus Point

Brittany Mulkins, Clerk, (716) 386-4398

Village of Lakewood

Mary B. Currie, Clerk, (716) 763-8557

Village of Celoron



Shirley Sanfilippo, Clerk/Treasurer, 716-487-4175

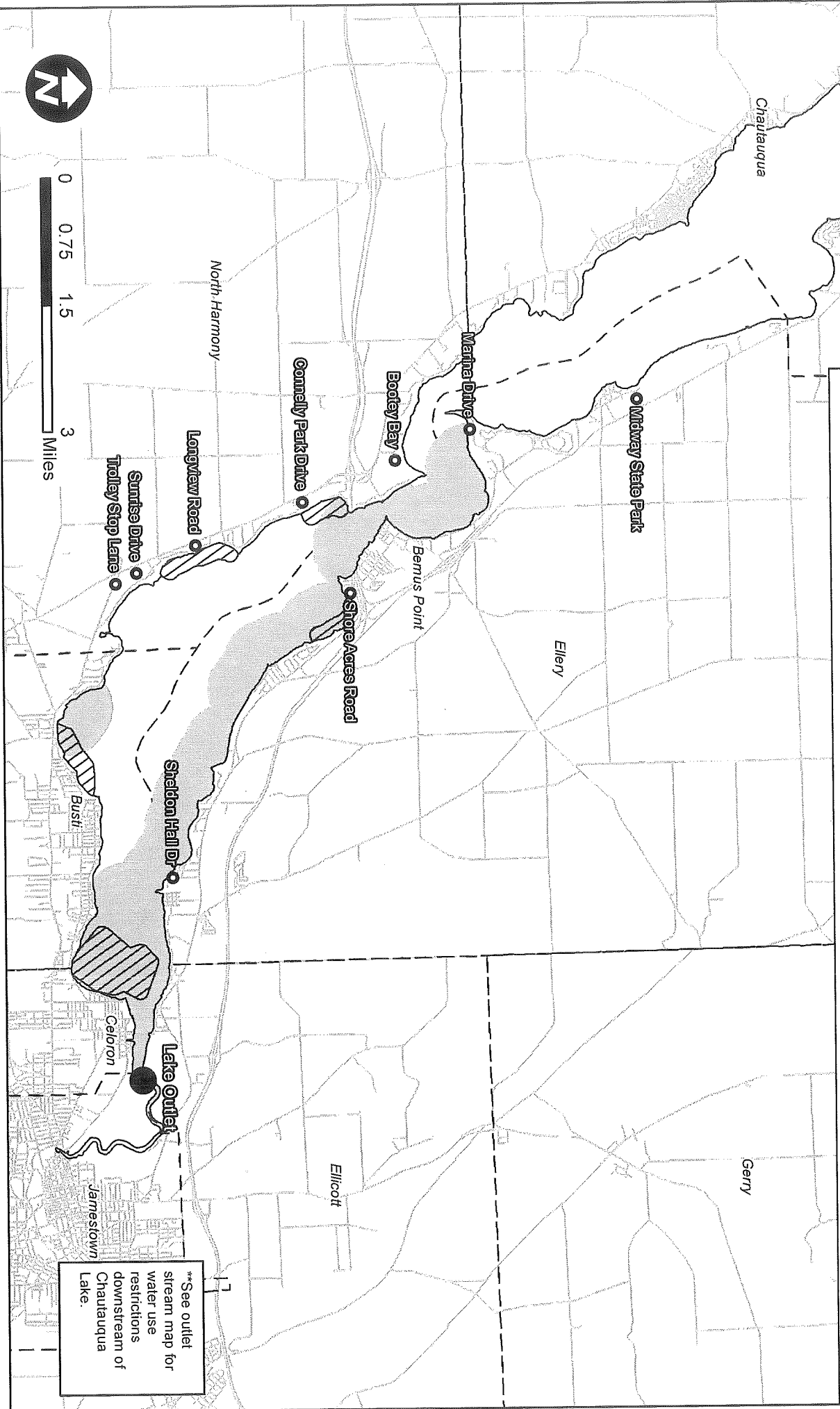
Town of North Harmony

Stephanie Gibbs, Clerk, 716-789-3445 ext. 2

The product label may be obtained from SOLitude Lake Management at 888-480-5253. Labels can also be viewed online at <http://www.solitudelakemanagement.com/product-labels-new-york>.

CHAUTAQUA LAKE 2023 POTENTIAL AQUATHOL K and PROCELLACOR EC TREATMENTS WATER USE RESTRICTION ZONES

-  Potential Milfoil Treatment Areas and Areas within 500 ft. Procellacor EC Restrictions Apply
-  Potential Milfoil and Pondweed Treatment Areas and Areas within 2,640 ft. Aquathol K Restrictions Apply



**See outlet stream map for water use restrictions downstream of Chautauqua Lake.

CHAUTAQUA LAKE - 2023 POTENTIAL AQUATHOL K and PROCELLACOR EC TREATMENTS

