

Owasco Lake Watershed Inspection Program Work Plan, 2008 July 2008 Activities

Agriculture – increase cooperation with the watershed agricultural community through programs and technical assistance

Program	July's Progress	2008 Overall Progress
<i>Priority Farm List</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water sampling parameters set and in the process of sampling on one farm • Putting together options for one farm and finalizing plans in August 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One farm previously working with SWCD • Tier I and II completed for one farm; waiting for funding • Exclusion fencing to keep livestock out of wet area placed on one farm
<i>Secondary Fuel Containment</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installed three secondary fuel containments
<i>Agricultural Advisory Committee</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second meeting will be held in August with the Skaneateles Lake Watershed Agricultural Program presenting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Held first meeting and second meeting scheduled for late summer
<i>AEM</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrote Eco-Talk Article about the program and how it can assist and has helped farmers within the watershed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 – Tier I • 2 – Tier II • Watershed map • Recognition Breakfast • 1 – Eco-Talk Article

Community Outreach – increase public knowledge, understanding, and respect for Owasco Lake and its watershed

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<i>Community Events</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owasco Lake Day – addressed public on activities that have occurred this past year • Presented to the Indian Cove Homeowners Association • Presented to the Lakefront Homeowners Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 – youth presentation • 2 – Town of Fleming Board Meetings • 1 – OWLA meeting • 2 – Homeowners Association meetings • 2 – public presentations • 2 – professional meeting • 1 – public outreach event
<i>Publications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eco-Talk Article on AEM program • Article about the Owasco Lake Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 – television appearance • 1 – radio interview • 5- general articles in newspapers • 8 – Eco-Talk Articles
<i>Increasing Program Awareness</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burgee for the boat with Watershed Inspection program logo 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vinyl decals made for vehicle • Ordered GPS unit • Felt pop-up display board for public presentations • General brochures for the Owasco Lake Watershed and Inspection Program information • Owasco Lake Watershed Contact Cards • Business cards, letterhead, and envelopes 	
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Stormwater – reduces the effects of stormwater and sedimentation to Owasco Lake through implementation of erosion and sediment control methods

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<i>Residential Erosion Control</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with two lakefront homeowners with bare banks from home to the lake to have them seeded and stabilized • Property owner that violated ACOE and NYS DEC rules has removed the fill to avoid further action • Working with one lakefront homeowner to implement erosion control practices before construction of new home begins • Monitoring four lakefront and critical area homeowners for proper maintenance of erosion control • SWCD staff working with one property owner to write grant proposal to stabilize direct stream to Owasco Lake • Putting together information for several lakefront property owners that have steep, eroding banks with some solutions to mitigate erosion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 – properties implementing sediment and erosion control measures • 1 – grant proposal to have stream stabilization work completed
<i>Stormwater Permitted Sites</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 – CPESC reviews

Miscellaneous

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<i>Oil Spills</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 9 → spill on West Lake Road reported to me by Cayuga County SWCD weed harvester crew; found to be caused by DOT mower that blew a hydraulic line • July 14 → boat sank at Cascade marina 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three reported fuel spills within the Owasco Lake Watershed

	<p>when bilge pump failed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 15 → oil spilled from boat motor at TRY Marina, Owasco Outlet 	
<i>Seasonal Watershed Inspector Positions</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goose Management – completed every morning at Emerson Park • Driving firelanes • Picture references of shoreline • Working at marinas and along shoreline answering questions, noting points of interest, etc 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be working until September 13, 2008 • Seven day a week coverage through the summer
<i>Giant Hogweed</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giant Hogweed was confirmed in Owasco Flats → DOT has eradicated it from the site 	
<i>Investigations</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manure incident on O’Neil Road → deemed outside of the watershed • Outhouse investigation → Health Department will be working with the homeowner • Rules and Regulations violation → dumping of construction debris into a stream in the Town of Owasco • Rules and Regulations violation → dumping grass clippings/yard waste into stream in the Town of Owasco and two possible yard waste dumping violations • Rules and Regulations violation → looking into alleged junkyard in the Town of Niles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 investigations (manure spreading) • 5 investigations (lakefront properties) • 5 investigations of possible violations of the Owasco Lake Watershed Rules and Regulations