

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

Investigations

Program	October's Progress	2008 Overall Progress
<i>Agriculture</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigated animals having access to water treatment strip Mud/manure in the road complaint → spoke with farmer and he is interested in the AEM program to solve issues on farm 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 agricultural related investigations
<i>Commercial</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hydroseeding of 2 miles of ditches on Grange Hall Road completed
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued working on stream survey 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three investigations
<i>Oil Spills</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three reported fuel spills within the Owasco Lake Watershed
<i>Residential</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigating sites where leaves were previously deposited in streams Working with landowner on drainage and flooding issues Addressing fuel storage at 2 lakefront homes to have secondary fuel containment placed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 investigations lakefront properties 5 investigations of possible violations of the Owasco Lake Watershed Rules and Regulations

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

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<i>Priority Farm List</i>		<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 Water sampling parameters set and in the process of sampling 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"> Held 2 meetings
<i>AEM</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended the Agriculture in the Media 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 – Tier I

	Conference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 – Tier II • Watershed map • Recognition Breakfast • 1 – Eco-Talk Article
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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"> • Presented on AEM at the Owasco Watershed Lake Association meeting • Presented to HONORS class on Owasco Lake Watershed Inspection program at Cayuga Community College • Presented to the Central New York Resource Conservation and Development Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 – youth presentation • 2 – Town of Fleming Board Meetings • 2 – OWLA meeting • 2 – Homeowners Association meetings • 2 – public presentations • 4 – professional meeting • 2 – public outreach event
<i>Publications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eco-Talk Article (Giant Hogweed) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 – television appearance • 2 – radio interview • 6 - general articles in newspapers • 10 – Eco-Talk Articles
<i>Increasing Program Awareness</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decals have been placed on vehicle • GPS unit received • Felt pop-up display board for public presentation received •

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"> • Worked with SWCD Technician on options for stabilizing streambanks at Casowasco and Long Point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11 – properties implementing sediment and erosion control measures • 3 – grant proposal to have stream stabilization work completed • Fill removed from one property by ACOE and DEC
<i>Stormwater Permitted Sites</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 – CPESC reviews

Miscellaneous

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<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>Seasonal Watershed Inspector Positions</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worked June 23 through September 13• Seven day a week coverage through the summer• Picture references of shoreline• Drove firelanes• Used boat to document sites• Stream Survey

- Attended Conservation Skills Workshops in Cortland (October 6-10)
- Attended the Finger Lakes Land Use Workshop (October 30)

Upcoming Events:

- FL-LOWPA Watershed Conference (November 7)
- Market Cayuga 2008 (November 13)
- Inside Government with Guy Cosentino (November 18)