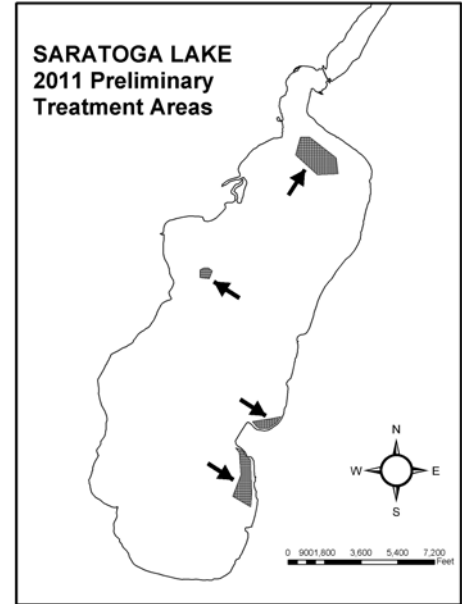


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March 15, 2011

Saratoga Lake Property Owner:



Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District (SLPID) continues to work towards effectively controlling the invasive species (non-native weeds) in Saratoga Lake. The principal methods historically used to control invasive weeds were winter lake drawdown and cutting weeds with the weed harvester machines. Between 2004 and 2006, SLPID developed the Saratoga Lake Invasive Species Long-Term Plan. Between 2007 and 2009, a segmented herbicide treatment program was performed to control Eurasian watermilfoil throughout the entire lake over a three-year period. The program was extremely successful, reducing milfoil growth by nearly 90 percent. Maintenance spot-treatments were performed in 2010 and additional maintenance treatments are planned for 2011.

For the 2011 season, SLPID proposes to treat areas of aggressive growth of invasive Eurasian watermilfoil and curlyleaf pondweed. Up to 105 acres in the lake may be treated. The final treatment areas will be determined following an early season survey. The treatment is tentatively scheduled to occur on May 17, 2011. A combination treatment using Renovate 3 (active ingredient triclopyr) and Aquathol K (active ingredient endothal) herbicides is proposed. Both products are registered for aquatic weed control by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and New York State. Copies of the herbicide specimen labels and NY Special Local Needs labels can be accessed on-line at the following websites:

- Renovate 3, EPA Reg. No. 62719-37-67690: <http://132.236.168.120/ppds/518054.pdf> & <http://132.236.168.120/ppds/515587.pdf>
- Aquathol K, EPA Reg. No. 70506-176: <http://132.236.168.120/ppds/525309.pdf> & <http://132.236.168.120/ppds/514704.pdf>

The treatment program will be performed by State licensed aquatic applicators under a permit issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). It is expected that the targeted Eurasian watermilfoil and curlyleaf pondweed plants will be controlled within approximately two-weeks of the date of treatment. Early season treatments with this herbicide combination have demonstrated good selectivity for the targeted invasive weeds. Non-target native aquatic plants are expected to remain to provide a habitat for fish and other marine life.

As a riparian owner/user you have the right to object to the restrictions of water use resulting from the proposed application. The anticipated restrictions on water use that will result from the proposed application will be: Swimming – treated areas will be closed for the day of treatment; Irrigation – lake water cannot be used for irrigation purposes until testing shows that the in-lake triclopyr concentrations are less than 1 ppb, which is expected to take 4-6 weeks, but there is no restriction on use of treated water to irrigate established grasses; and Potable/Domestic Water – treated lake water cannot be used as a potable/domestic water source for 14 days and until the in-lake triclopyr concentrations are <50 ppb. You are requested to notify us at the above address or phone number as soon as possible if you have a water intake line in Saratoga Lake. If you wish to object to the proposed treatment you need to send a written notice stating your objection to: John Bennett, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Region 5, 232 Golf Course Road, Warrensburg, New York 12885, telephone (518) 623-1200. Your notification must be submitted within 21 days of the date of this letter. A lack of response will be considered as consent to the proposed treatment.

Notice of the specific treatment date will be provided by posting of the lake shoreline, publishing notices in the Saratogian newspaper, and on the following websites: www.sara-lake.org and www.saratogalake.org. If you wish further information about the treatment, please contact the following person: Joe Finn, Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District, telephone (518) 581-0409, or visit the websites listed above.

Sincerely,

Ed Dweck
Chairman, Saratoga Lake Protection and Improvement District

