



TOWN OF CAZENOVIA • 7 ALBANY STREET • CAZENOVIA • N Y 13035 • 315-655-9213

June 4, 2009

Dear Members of the Cazenovia Community,

The Town of Cazenovia has received final approval to treat a portion of Cazenovia Lake with the aquatic herbicide triclopyr (Trade name Renovate OTF) to help control the growth of the invasive species Eurasian watermilfoil. The application is scheduled to begin on Monday June 8 and may extend through Saturday June 13, 2009. Weather conditions may require slight modifications to this schedule. This application is one component of the Cazenovia Lake Watershed Council's efforts to restore and protect the health of the lake.

The 2009 application will treat 234 acres in the lake's northern basin and along the northeastern and northwestern shorelines. The DEC permit and a map of the treatment area are posted on the web site www.townofcazenovia.org. Certified pesticide applicators from Allied Biological Inc. will apply the chemical. The Village Boat launch on East Lake Rd. will be the staging area for the applicators; the launch will be closed to the public to minimize interference with the work effort.

Residents must not draw lake water for drinking water use during the application period and for a time following application until the triclopyr concentration in the water falls below a concentration of 0.050 mg/l. Based on experience in other lakes, the ban on potable water use may extend for as long as several weeks. We anticipate treating the lake each spring for a period of several years in order to control the milfoil.

In addition to the restriction on use for drinking water, lake water should not be used for irrigation purposes until the triclopyr concentration is less than 0.001 mg/l, or for 120 days. Residents are advised to use rain barrels or well water as needed to apply to vegetables and flowers. Established lawns will not be affected by triclopyr. We will advise the community through news outlets and the town web site when the period of restriction can be lifted.

There is no risk of harm to animals swimming in or drinking from Cazenovia Lake. There is no restriction on use of lake water for non-potable purposes such as bathing, showering, or washing dishes and clothing.

The Cazenovia Lake Watershed Council will provide an alternative source of potable water for your use during the period of restrictions. If you have a well on your property, you should use this water source. You may choose among the following options.

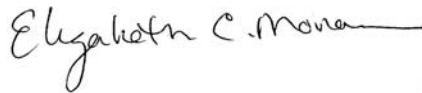
1. Potable water from the Village supply will be provided at Lakeland Park to supply water for domestic use. A spigot is available at the bathhouse to fill your water containers.
2. The Town Office (7 Albany St) will also make water available by appointment.

3. Shower facilities will be available through Cazenovia College, also by appointment. We note that there is no restriction on use of the water for bathing. However, the Council has decided to offer this measure for those with concerns.
4. The Town will reimburse all riparian owners/users in the treatment area for any bottled water purchased during the restricted potable water use periods. Please submit receipts to the Town Clerk.

The Cazenovia Lake Watershed Council has concluded that the treatment program will be a safe and effective means to help restore ecological balance in Cazenovia Lake. This conclusion was reached only after detailed analysis of the potential environmental benefits and risks, and a careful weighing of alternatives.

On behalf of the Watershed Council, I wish to thank all of the many community volunteers and donors who have made this lake restoration project possible.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elizabeth C. Moran" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Elizabeth C. Moran

Cazenovia Town Supervisor