

## Letter to Eurasian Watermilfoil Management Project Participants (March 15, 2019)

**In a survey last fall, you and about 159 other property owners asked to participate in Phase 2 of the Eurasian Watermilfoil Management Project and have a mat installed at your site. If we are mistaken, or you've decided not to participate since completing the survey, please let the CLPOA know by writing to [loveyourlake.clpoa@gmail.com](mailto:loveyourlake.clpoa@gmail.com).**

As mentioned in the overview letter, the specific steps that will take place in Phase 2 are:

1. The CLPOA will apply to the Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry (MNRF) in the spring for the approval required for mat installations.
2. The MNRF will stipulate the maximum number of mats that can be installed in Chandos Lake in summer 2019 during the unrestricted activity timing window for the protection of fish & fish habitat (July 15 to Oct 1).
3. The CLPOA will purchase a bulk order of mats that Trent University will then seed with native aquatic vegetation.
4. Trent University will determine the installation sites based on their aquatic plant assessment survey as well as taking into account the MNRF maximum number, and a consideration of what realistically can be accomplished in the time period. (Note: Sites must have a significant milfoil problem and a depth of 10 feet or less.)
5. Property Owners of the sites selected will be notified (date to be determined) to discuss installation arrangements & mat purchase (price to be determined) from the CLPOA (maximum 2 per site in Phase 2).
6. Trent University will coordinate an installation schedule and then install the mats.
7. Trent University will monitor all the sites and prepare a 2019 Research Project Progress Report including recommendations for 2020.

We will be back in touch with you as soon as we have more details. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please write to [loveyourlake.clpoa@gmail.com](mailto:loveyourlake.clpoa@gmail.com).

Thank you for participating in the Trent University Research project. It is understood that it will require patience; however, by participating you will save time, effort and dollars, as well as ensure an expert installation, for the following reasons:

- The paperwork and request for MNRF approval is handled by the CLPOA.
- Savings from the CLPOA's bulk order of mats is passed along to participants.
- The mats will be seeded by Trent University with native aquatic vegetation.
- The mats will be expertly installed by Trent University students.
- The sites will be monitored and included in the findings of the research project.

And most importantly, you are participating in a research project that is focused on the quality of the entire lake.

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