CLPOA Love Your Lake Director, Alex Haney letter – July 5, 2018

Hello Chandos Lake Residents, I hope you are staying warm amidst the polar vortex!

Invasive aquatic plants are probably the last thing on your mind. But the invasive Eurasian watermilfoil is still here in Chandos Lake, patiently waiting for spring beneath all the ice and snow.

We are planning phase 2 of our research project with Trent University to manage Eurasian watermilfoil with low impact benthic mats and weevils. The plan, subject to approval from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, is to expand the project and install more mats, somewhere around 20. We will use the list of interested residents we acquired from our previous survey and select priority areas. In addition, the five treatment sites established last summer will be monitored for long term results. We will also complete a more extensive survey of Chandos Lake, looking for the presence of other invasive aquatic plants, along with desirable native species.

This work will be completed by Trent summer students and the Love Your Lake Committee. In the meantime, <u>here is</u> the final report from Trent University on the 2018 season. Please give it a read, the results are very interesting!

For any other questions or comments please contact the Love Your Lake Director, Alex Haney. Enjoy the rest of your winter! (perhaps from inside).

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