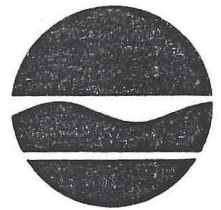


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Commissioner  
Robert F. Flacke

October 1, 1979

Mr. Robert Stevens  
One Green Ridge Road  
Pittsford, NY 14534

RE: Eagle Lake, Ticonderoga (T), Essex (Co)

Dear Mr. Stevens:

I received the photographs you sent me and have included them in the Eagle Lake file. I have not received any identification of the organism collected as yet; however, as soon as I do I will forward it to you.

I have spoken with other personnel in the department concerning the formation of an improvement district. Among other benefits are the ability to raise money for maintenance and improvements of structures, e.g., public docks and dams, ability to receive federal and/or state grants, ability to regulate water levels and watersheds. I am enclosing a copy of the section which concerns improvement districts in the New York State Town Laws.

I hope this will give you enough information to determine the pros and cons of such a district, if not the town attorney may be able to help.

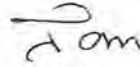
With reference to a possible dye testing program of the septic systems of the various camps, I am enclosing a copy of the inspection form which was used at Mt. View/Indian Lakes, Town of Belmont, Franklin County. As I mentioned when we spoke last, this department would be available to train a few personnel from the Lake Association on the proper techniques for dying and inspecting individual wastewater systems. We would also be able to take action if some individual refused to correct a faulty system; however, we would prefer to have any problems resolved at a local level, that is, through the Lake Association or the town. Also, an excellent publication entitled, Individual Wastewater Systems can be obtained from the NYS Department of Health, 11-15 St. Bernard Street, Saranac Lake, NY 12983. This booklet describes the proper way to install a wastewater system and will help to find problems in existing systems.

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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning these matters or if you would like me to meet with the Association. I'll keep you informed of any new data concerning the "alien beings".

Sincerely,

Richard McCormick, P. E.  
Senior Sanitary Engineer

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Tom", written over the typed name of Thomas Higginbotham.

By: Thomas Higginbotham  
Engineering Technician

RM:TH:bb  
Encl.