



WESTCOLANG LAKE CONSERVANCY

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To: Residents of Westcolang Lake

Our Response to the Fawn Lake Association email 'Statement Regarding Recent Unauthorized Mailing'

Summary of Facts:

FACT: According to, Fawn Lake Association, they remain committed to transparency regarding the health of the lake, however their email was sent from a 'Do Not Respond' email account. How do you promote transparency if you can't respond.

FACT: Hopefully F.L.A. is serious about transparency. We stand by the statement of hundreds of thousands of HOA dollars have been spent on spraying non-selective herbicides into the lake in the last five or six years. By law the State of Pennsylvania requires any homeowner requesting financial information from their respective HOA, they are legally entitled to receive it. We encourage all interested homeowners to make the appropriate request, to see all invoices and related documents regarding the spraying of herbicide into the lake.

FACT: The recorded low DO levels, high bacteria levels, and low zooplankton levels are all indicators of excessive herbicide abuse. (Please refer to our website showing DO levels before herbicides were sprayed. Chart shows significantly higher DO levels prior to spraying.)

FACT: Despite the approximately \$2 million a year that is collected annually for HOA fees between the three subdivisions, the Association has neglected to keep a biologist on staff and/or communicate findings with the lake residents for years if not decades.

FACT: According to government documents the herbicide spraying has been taking place for almost a decade. Only through the efforts of the Conservancy and governmental document research, is the only reason the residents know about the spraying of herbicides.

FACT: Spraying of herbicides took place without notification or posting of signs, which is a violation of the permit.

FACT: Any changes to the water quality must be reported to DEP, which was not, which is another violation of the permit.

FACT: The association was notified of water quality changes, and they still neglected to inform DEP, which is another permit violation.

FACT: The Conservancy pleaded with the W.L.A. to have a complete biological profile of the lake for three years, this year being the 4th year, the conservancy is paying for biologists to be on the lake this year. Only because of the lack of will of the Association to do it.

FACT: Our Biologist has already recorded our first DO level under 5 ppm, which falls below the State of Pennsylvania minimum standard, and we still have approximately four weeks before the anticipated lowest readings.

Conclusion: We stand behind all the above stated facts. The latest findings and facts discovered by our biologist will be disclosed on the 26th of July meeting. All concerned residents are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Sincerely,

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