

## **Silver Lake Association Water Quality (SLAWQ) Report (for July 12, 2025)**

**CLEAN.** Reorganizing and improving integration with SLA.

**CSLAP.** New team in place and sampling proceeding.

### **Local Meetings.**

**Silver Lake Watershed Commission (SLWC).** This committee has membership from each municipality that draws water from Silver Lake plus an SLA representative. Each member municipality pays an annual fee. The SLA member can vote on all matters except those involving expenditures. The meeting is often held the same day as the WCWR / RCDC (see below). Lee Loomis has agreed to attend and report as consultant. SLA needs to replace Ron Norton as the voting member on this committee.

**Wyoming County Water Resources / Resource Conservation and Development Committee (WCWR / RCDC).** This committee operates through the Wyoming County Soil and Water Conservation District and it has representation from every waterbody within Wyoming County and DEC. Lee Loomis has agreed to attend and report as consultant.

**Wyoming County Water Resource Agency (WCWRA).** Individuals are elected to this body and appointed by the Wyoming County Supervisor. This group is headed by Scott Schrader, Wyoming County Administrator, and they oversee large-scale “projects”, including the N-end dredging at Silver Lake. Frank Bright will continue his participation and report back to CLEAN.

**Drinking Water Source Protection Program (DWSP2).** This group has membership from CLEAN, SLA, municipalities surrounding Silver Lake, and the Wyoming County Health Department. The group has created a DRAFT drinking water source protection program plan that is undergoing editing. This plan will be submitted to NYS for approval by Q4 '25. Frank Bright will continue with this group, serve on the Plan Management Team (PMT), and report back to CLEAN.

**Local Waterfront Revitalization Program (LWRP).** The plans that derive from this group’s efforts will shape the future of Silver Lake. Silver Lake residents should take the time to educate themselves on this program’s scope and potential by visiting the following url:

<https://dos.ny.gov/local-waterfront-revitalization-program>

Residents should also participate in open public meetings.

Frank Bright and Kelly Paganelli will continue participating on the LWRP Waterfront Advisory Committee (WAC) along with Michelle Hess.

On 07/08/25 the full Wyoming County Board of Supervisors voted to seek additional grant funds to support an expanded LWRP.

**Wyoming County Planning and Development Director.** Jim Bragg has moved on. On 07/08/25 Angela Ellis was appointed as the new Director (0.5 FTE), starting on or about 08/01/25. Angela held this same position in Livingston County prior to retiring.

**N-end Dredging Project.** Please see previous Reports. The permit application to DEC is being modified for resubmission. On 07/08/25 the Wyoming County Administrator asked the full Board of Supervisors for their help to identify sites across the county for depositing the in-lake dredging spoils. One farm owner serving on the LWRP WAC has voiced an interest in receiving some of the nutrient-rich, in-lake sediment.

**Japanese Knotweed (JK).** Team members have visited and spot-treated all previous sites.

The first spraying at the Country Club was executed on 06/26//25 along the creek paralleling Pvt Dr 1 (near the hole 14 "T" box) and along Luther Rd parallel to the Hole 13 fairway. There will be a second spraying in Aug/Sept. Spraying will be needed in '26.

**Buffer Planting Site.** We will forgo planting in '25 and assess the JK sites discussed above in '26.

**Lake Life Event.** The event was held on 06/21/25 at Silver Lake Marine and there were more than 300 attendees. Michelle Hess spearheaded the CLEAN table where Todd Shuskey, his students, and the boat steward were big hits. More than 130 milkweed plants were distributed o members along with other items.

**LED Flares.** In the lead up to 4<sup>th</sup> of July CLEAN sold / distributed more than 650 LED flares to SLA members. Feedback has been positive.

**CLEAN / SLA Water Quality Golf Tournament.** We sold out for players in late May!

Lunch-only slots are available and can be booked through the CLEAN web site.

#### **Tournament Details**

Date: Saturday, July, 19, 2025

Format: 4 person team, 18 hole scramble

Location: Silver Lake Country Club & The Club at Silver Lake

Time: 8:00 AM (coffee, pastries); 9:00 AM (shotgun start); lunch follows play

Extras: Basket Raffles      Lunch: ~2 pm, after golf is complete

***Please (PLEASE!) put together a raffle basket. Baskets can be dropped off to the Norton's or Bright's through July 17<sup>th</sup>.***

A new tournament director will be needed for future tournaments.

**Temperature Array.** Please see previous Reports.

**Watercraft Inspection Steward.** Jonas Raio is serving as the '25 Steward. He will be on site at the launch during weekends between Memorial and Labor Day.

**Silver Lake State Boat Launch.** We have reached out to Letchworth State Park leadership to develop a plan, budget, and funding stream to improve the launch area. We have a face-to-face meeting scheduled for 07/15/25.

According to Doug Kelly, Park Manager, Letchworth State Park, "The trades department plans on constructing and adding an additional pad extending the launch latter this year when the water level recedes to help with the trailer issue at the launch."

**Team Needs.** We are looking for new members with interests in education, leadership, marketing, outreach, partnering, and/or water quality. If you have any interest, please reach out to Frank Bright ([chefvb@buffalo.edu](mailto:chefvb@buffalo.edu)) or Kelly Paganelli ([kpags@rochester.rr.com](mailto:kpags@rochester.rr.com)).