

Eagle Lake Property Owners
c/o Chris Hyde
64 Blue Barns Rd.
Rexford NY 12148
3/19/16

Town of Ticonderoga Supervisor
Joseph Giordano

Dear Mr. Giordano

I am writing you today on behalf of the Eagle Lake Property owners, ELPOI, to request your assistance in improving Safety along the Rt 74 corridor as it passes by and thru Eagle Lake. Several instances of Trucks ending up in the lake over the years have successfully resulted in warning signs being placed along the sharp curves but Speeding has continued to be a problem.

The posted speed limit is 45MPH but too often motorists are going much faster than that as this is a major corridor between Ticonderoga, Crown Point, Port Henry and Vermont to access I87. During our yearly ELPOI meetings residents have spoken of numerous occurrences of speeding, passing on a double solid line or close calls in the Eagle Lake area.

The Eagle Lake area has several unique features that make excessive speed a considerable safety concern for residents. Many of the properties along the south side of Rt. 74 are lake rights properties where foot traffic crossing the road or walking along it is highest. There are three access roads that feed multiple camps along the lake connecting to Rt.74 that see significant use during the summer months of traffic entering and leaving Rt.74, in the summer of 2014 long time resident Toby Secone was killed pulling out of one of these access roads onto Rt.74. The Eagle lake corridor has quite a few camps that are in extremely close proximity with the roadway and some sharp curves with blind driveways that make for significant challenges pulling into or out of camps along those areas and an antique business at one end having customers leaving and arriving on a regular basis.

With these challenges in mind I would request your assistance for increased Summer police presence along the Eagle Lake corridor to enforce the Speed limit which would increase residents safety along that unique stretch of Rt.74. Numerous efforts have been made with the DOT in the past to reduce the speed limit along the lake but the conclusion is always that it is an enforcement issue rather than a speed limit issue. Some residents have offered their driveways for Law Enforcement to use as parking spots while enforcing the speed limit as well and perhaps enforcement can be shared with the New York State Police. We certainly hope that this can be considered to greatly improve safety thru there in the Summer months and prevent future tragedies.

Sincerely,

Keith Park
Secretary ELPOI