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Water Resources Commission
N.Y.S. Dept. of Conservation
State Campus
Albany, New York 12226

Gentlemen:

I am writing in regard to the application of Harland H. Stubing to fill-in waters of Eagle Lake, Essex County. I am a property owner with about 575' of lake front. Eagle Lake is still one of the few unspoiled lakes with ready access. I, therefore, object very strenuously to this wholesale filling-in of any part of this Lake.

The purpose of this fill is actually to provide more parking place for "Gin Mill" patrons. This is a sorry reason to fill in such a lake. Specifically, I object to the filling operation on the following grounds:

1. The proposed cribbing and fill would further extend the present unauthorized fill made by a former owner.
2. This cribbing and fill would destroy spawning areas for bass.
3. It would encroach unreasonably into what is a relatively restricted area of the Lake.
4. The "debris and junk" that this fill is proposed to cover should be cleaned out and not covered up. This cleaning is a relatively simple operation.
5. The very nature of the proposed filled area, a parking lot for the Barroom patrons, would encourage the throwing of cans, bottles and other debris farther out into the Lake.
6. This proposal is obviously not in the public interest. It is solely to promote more bar business for one private individual.
7. It is my belief that the applicant, Harland H. Stubing, is not the owner of record of the lands adjacent to the proposed fill and was not the owner on the date of the application.

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A proposal of this kind and this magnitude is of interest to all owners of lake property. Non-resident owners who spend only summers on the Lake were not notified in any way and a notice in the Ticonderoga Sentinel is not adequate for the large number of these non-residents.

I have no objection to a crib wall along the existing shore line or to the very minor filling necessary to make such a shore line cribbing acceptably pleasing. But, I do object strongly to this usurping of lake area for parking purposes. I urge you to deny this application.

Very truly yours,

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