

Chilson Road
Ticonderoga, Ny. 12883

Mr. Murray Otis
N.Y. State Department of Environmental Conservation
Raybrook, N.Y.

Aug. 1977

Dear Mr. Otis,

The membership of the Eagle Lake Property Owners' Association in their annual meeting on July 9th, 1977, some seventy persons, are most concerned about the complete lack of care at the Crown Point Beach picnic and camping area on Eagle Lake. Up until last year the local ranger had cut the grass and removed trash several times a summer; but Mr. Robert Morris, the ranger in Ticonderoga has told us he has very little help now and cannot service the area. He does issue permits for short term camping here and we asked permission for our annual picnic. Some of our members removed 10 bags of garbage before the picnic and burned much more, as well as cleaning up afterward.

We have paid to have printed signs made and posted them saying "Do not litter. Please. ~~carry~~ remove your own trash. no state clean-up". But still all cans are full; and there are piles of garbage in the woods.

Would it not be possible to have it cleaned once in August and again in October? This area is reached primarily by boat altho a jeep trail is available for the ranger. And it is shown on maps of State-owned parks and camping areas. There is no charge which makes it attractive to many persons.

If nothing can be done, our organization will try to police the picnic area; but we earnestly request that the ranger do not permit any CAMPING at all.

Yours very truly,

(Mrs. Caroline K. Harris, President

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for the organization
as I do not work*