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Rolf Tiedemann
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Dear Mr. Tiedemann:

I am writing to thank you for submitting an application for an Invasive Species Eradication Grant (ISEG) to eradicate five acres of Eurasian watermilfoil from Eagle lake using hand harvesting, benthic mats, and Sonar. Unfortunately, your proposal was not accepted for funding by the ISEG Evaluation and Review team. A summary of why your proposal was not accepted is attached.

The NYSDEC appreciates the work that went into preparing the application, as well as your interest in taking part in addressing the problem of aquatic invasive species in New York State. The Governor and the State Legislature both recommended that funds for invasive species management be included in the State's Environmental Protection Fund for State Fiscal Year 2006. I anticipate that there may be another opportunity to apply for ISEG grants in the coming months. Based on the information attached, you may want to revise and resubmit your application, when such an opportunity occurs. Watch our website for any announcements and further information (<http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/dfwmr/habitat/erad.html>).

Again, I am sorry your application was not successful, but I commend your effort, as well as your interest in contributing to New York's efforts to protect State waters from infestations of aquatic invasive species.

Sincerely,

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