Mr. Frank Santomauro, P.E. Chief, Planning Division U.S. Army Engineer District, New York 26 Federal Plaza New York, N.Y. 10278-0090

Dear Mr. Santomauro,

The Towns of Crown Point and Ticonderoga, New York formally request the Corps of Engineers to initiate an ecosystem restoration study pursuant to Section 206 of the Water Resources Development Law of 2000. The problem is that Eagle Lake in Essex County has been invaded by a foreign aquatic plant, Eurasian Water Milfoil, which crowds out native plants and makes recreational use of the lake dangerous Our desire is to control or eliminate the growth of milfoil in the lake, restoring it to its former inventory of native plants. A location map is enclosed.

The Towns understand that the first phase is the Preliminary Restoration Plan (PRP), conducted at Corps expense. Subsequent to approval of the PRP, if the Towns decide to proceed, the Towns will serve as the non-Federal partner and share in the costs of eradicating/controlling the milfoil in accordance with Section 206 requirements.

Our points of contact are:

Mr. Rolf Tiedemann, (716) 647-2514 <u>rtiedema@greece.k12.ny.us</u> Mrs. Mary Lloyd Burroughs, (518)585-7277 <u>eaglake@aol.com</u>

These two people are President and Vice President respectively, Eagle Lake Property Owners Inc. Please contact either of them to discuss this request or to arrange a site investigation.

Sincerely,

Michel J. Connerty Supervisor, Town of Ticonderoga, NY