## LAKE GEORGE PARK COMMISSION (LGPC) AD-HOC COMMITTEE ON INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS) MEETING BOLTON LANDING, NEW YORK MARCH 16, 2012

- LGPC AIS recently met with:
  - Lake George Marina Association
  - Lake George Chamber of Commerce
- Two tier program envisioned
  - Non-transient boats used on Lake George only.
  - Transient boats.

• Proposal is for non-transient boats to have seal attached from bow eye to trailer by inspector when removed from lake. If seal is intact when launching, boat will not have to be inspected.

• Transient boats will be subject to inspection before launching.

• Pilot program (voluntary) at Norowal Marina in place by May 1, 2012.

• Purchasing wash station for Norowal Marina for 2012 pilot program.

- Cost \$35,000.00
- Queensbury, Lake George and Bolton contributing \$10,000.00 each.
- Hague contributing \$5,000.00.

• Wash stations to collect wash water, filter for oil sediment and refuse. Landa (www.landa.com) is one of the manufacturers under consideration.

• Specifications for wash station bid being prepared.

• The Lake Tahoe Handbook (www.trpa.org) on boat inspection and cleaning will be used as basis for Lake George boat inspection and cleaning handbook.

• When program fully implemented all launch sites to be closed and locked unless inspector present.

- Expects full implementation in 5 years or less.
- This will not be in effect during 2012 season.

• After pilot program a final plan with implementation goal will be developed for Lake George Park Commission.

• LGPC AIS wants to meet with anglers and sportsmen groups.

- They were invited to attend LGFA (Lake George Fishing Alliance) meeting.
- Stated they will work with sportsmen on access concerns. However, unrestricted access will not be considered.

• Emily DeBolt of LGA circulated information on 2011 Lake George Steward Program findings on invasive species found in waterways that boats launched in Lake George have come from and a brochure on stopping the spread of invasives.

• Promised electronic copy of documents. Will circulate upon receipt.

• Last Fall LGA Stewards stationed on weekends at Million Dollar Beach Launch. They inspected ±190 boats; no invasive species were found at that location.

• Special meeting of LGPC to hear report from LGPC AIS:

March 22, 2012 Fort William Henry Conference Center Route 9, Lake George

• LGPC AIS meeting every two weeks at Bolton Town Office, Bolton Landing, New York. Next meeting March 30, 2012 at 1:30 pm. Meeting minutes posted on LGPC website (www.lgpc.state.ny.us).

• Members openly discussed that the program being envisioned for Lake George as a model program that could be enacted across New York State.