

Lake Lackawanna Investment Company  
SAVE THE LAKE 2007



June 17, 2007

Resident  
Lake Lackawanna  
Stanhope New Jersey 07874

RE: Lake Lackawanna

Dear Resident:

Several months ago, you were contacted regarding the Lake Lackawanna "Save the Lake" campaign—a community effort to make a noticeable and lasting difference to the quality and lifespan of the lake. It is now time to move forward with our fundraising campaign by asking you to make a donation to save your lake.

As you may already know, the man-made lake, originally created on top of an apple orchard, is slowly being filled in as dying weeds cover the lake bottom, causing a thick layer of sediment. As sediment continues to accumulate, the pace quickens and the life-span of the lake decreases. The weed treatment that is performed each season is not able to stop this process, but is necessary to make basic recreational opportunities such as swimming and boating possible. Eventually, unfortunately, weed treatment will not be effective at all; man-made lakes have an approximate lifespan of about 50 years, however, Lake Lackawanna is over 95 years old. The loss of Lake Lackawanna would be a social and economic disaster for both the immediate community, and the entire town. Clearly, your property's value depends on the lake's survival!

The LLIC has applied for and received a low interest loan from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, in the amount of \$250,000, for the purpose of lake maintenance and dredging. The loan has enabled us to move forward with a much-needed, large-scale lake remediation plan, by retaining engineering services necessary to begin removal of sediment in some parts of the lake. It is important, however, to note that this is a loan that must be paid back. Only through the support of the entire community will this be a successful endeavor.

We are asking for your support for the Lake Lackawanna "Save the Lake" project. Attached you will find a pledge card for the purpose of making a donation to the "Save the Lake" campaign. Please take the time to consider how important your donation is for the survival of your lake, and how important your lake is to your property value and your way of life. Whether you can offer **\$100, \$500, \$1000 or any amount**, your donation will be used to insure the beauty and value of your property for many generations to come.

**Please show your support by filling out and returning the attached pledge card with your donation.** We thank you for your time and consideration, and very much appreciate your support.

Sincerely,  
The Lake Committee and Save the Lake Committee  
Lake Lackawanna Investment Company