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Report from the Lakes Committee & Climate Smart Community Task Group

The lakes Committee has completed our participation in the Citizens Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) work for the 2021 season. The participants, for the sampling of all three lakes at two week intervals from mid-June to mid-September, were recruited and directed by Sue Heywood who led the effort with determination and efficiency. The sampling team consisted of four residents of Tuxedo Park and four volunteers from the Town of Tuxedo. We plan to sample again next summer and need more volunteers for the season. We hope that residents of our village will be willing to help. Those interested in participating in this sampling program should contact Sue Heywood, (845) 351-3473.

Over the winter I will look at past CSLAP data and prepare a short report on what the results indicate about the health of our lakes and why the program should or should not be continued.

Last winter I prepared the beginnings of a water shed management plan for the Village which made a number of recommendations. An important recommendation of that report was the mapping of the Village's storm water drainage system. To my knowledge no funds were committed to this effort but if funds can be made available this fall is a good time to start that work. If not hopefully funds can be for this work can be included in next year's budget.

Climate Smart Community Task Group

I want to thank Chief Conklin, Jeff Voss and especially John Ledwith for help in gathering data to be used along with other information to calculate greenhouse gas emissions by Village Government operations for the year 2018 which we have chosen as our baseline year. The Village's Climate Smart Community Task Group can also use volunteer help.

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Another matter is that of dead trees overhanging Village wires. As O&R is replacing poles and trimming trees it seems in the interest of both the Village and O&R to have dead trees that overhang wires removed.