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To our Government Officials: Assemblyman Stephen Hawley; Dirk Kempthorne; Hillary R Clinton; Charles E. Schumer; Louise Slaughter

The IJC has done a fair job of trying to help all the stakeholders involved in the Study of Lake Ontario by putting together Plan 2007.

We are part of a group of 25,000 South Shore riparians of Lake Ontario who are very worried and upset that some of our elected government officials are not representing us on this issue. To think that the environmentalists and their views about losing nesting places could be more important than the health and welfare of people is unconscionable. We have owned this property longer than the wetlands that came after the controls were built on the St. Lawrence.

Do the people who are talking "green" realize that raising the lake level and causing flooding compromises the treatment plants and personal septic systems and will pollute the lake? Do they realize that the many miles of parks and roads that border the lake on the South Shore are effected which will compromise the fauna and flowers? The lake does not discriminate and is unforgiving.

We know that the shipping interests and the hydroelectric power lobby are wealthy and can pour money into their fight for the decisions in their favor. We know that they have influenced the Environmentalists to believe that the flawed B+ plan is the one most favorable to everyone.

Please support us in this very important issue by supporting the approval of Plan 2007 and keeping the lake levels lower until mitigating controls are put into place.

Sincerely,

*Cheryl Stevens*  
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*Chairman Brooks*

*RS. Thanks so much for all your hard work!*