

Title: Spring Ice Breakup Weed Removal

per: Roger Sabota

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The Problem:

During spring ice breakup, some landowners are placing weeds that have washed up onto their shoreline, back out into the lake to be floated away from their shoreline. By placing the weeds back out into the lake, the weeds accumulate on other landowner's shorelines that may already have been cleared of weeds. This situation is becoming burdensome to shoreline landowners who diligently remove weeds from their shoreline during spring ice breakup. At present time that I can establish, there is no state law regarding the removal of weeds from a landowner's shoreline, during spring ice breakup.

Landowners should be held responsible for removing weeds that wash-up on their shoreline, during spring ice breakup. The weeds can be taken to a local dumpsite for composting. If no local dumpsite is available, one can be created.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Oneida County on April 9, 2012 recommends that the Conservation Congress work with the Department to take action to correct this situation by introducing rule changes to make shoreline landowners responsible for weed removal during spring ice breakup.

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