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Re: Waterfront Owner/User Notification Letter for the Use of an Aquatic Herbicide in
Tonawanda Creek/Erie Canal

Dear Waterfront Owner/Canal User:

To continue their efforts to control and eradicate the aggressive aquatic plant, hydrilla (*Hydrilla verticillata*) present in Tonawanda Creek/Erie Canal, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Buffalo District proposes to conduct an additional application of the aquatic herbicide chelated copper (Komeen Crystal). This spot treatment will occur within the overall project area in certain areas where monitoring has indicated that an additional herbicide application is needed to effectively control hydrilla (see Figure 1).

The USACE has identified August 23, 2018 for spot treatment. The treatment will take place within a 24-hour window. The aquatic herbicide application will occur only if there are favorable weather conditions. Weather conditions leading up to August 23rd could impact the timing of the treatment. Should heavy flooding or lightning occur, the treatment dates will need to be rescheduled. Any changes in the treatment schedule will be communicated to the public and identified stakeholders. Prior notification of treatment will also be provided by signage posted along the creek/canal.

Based on the Komeen Crystal product label, there are no restrictions on fishing or swimming. The application of Komeen Crystal will be below the threshold (> 200 ppb) for requiring any restrictions for use as potable water. Signs will be posted when the herbicide is applied. A copy of the herbicide label can be viewed here: <https://cdn2.hubspot.net/hubfs/227988/komeen-crystal-primary-label-ny-2017.pdf?t=1533920545383>.

For additional information about the treatment or if you have for questions regarding the project, please contact:

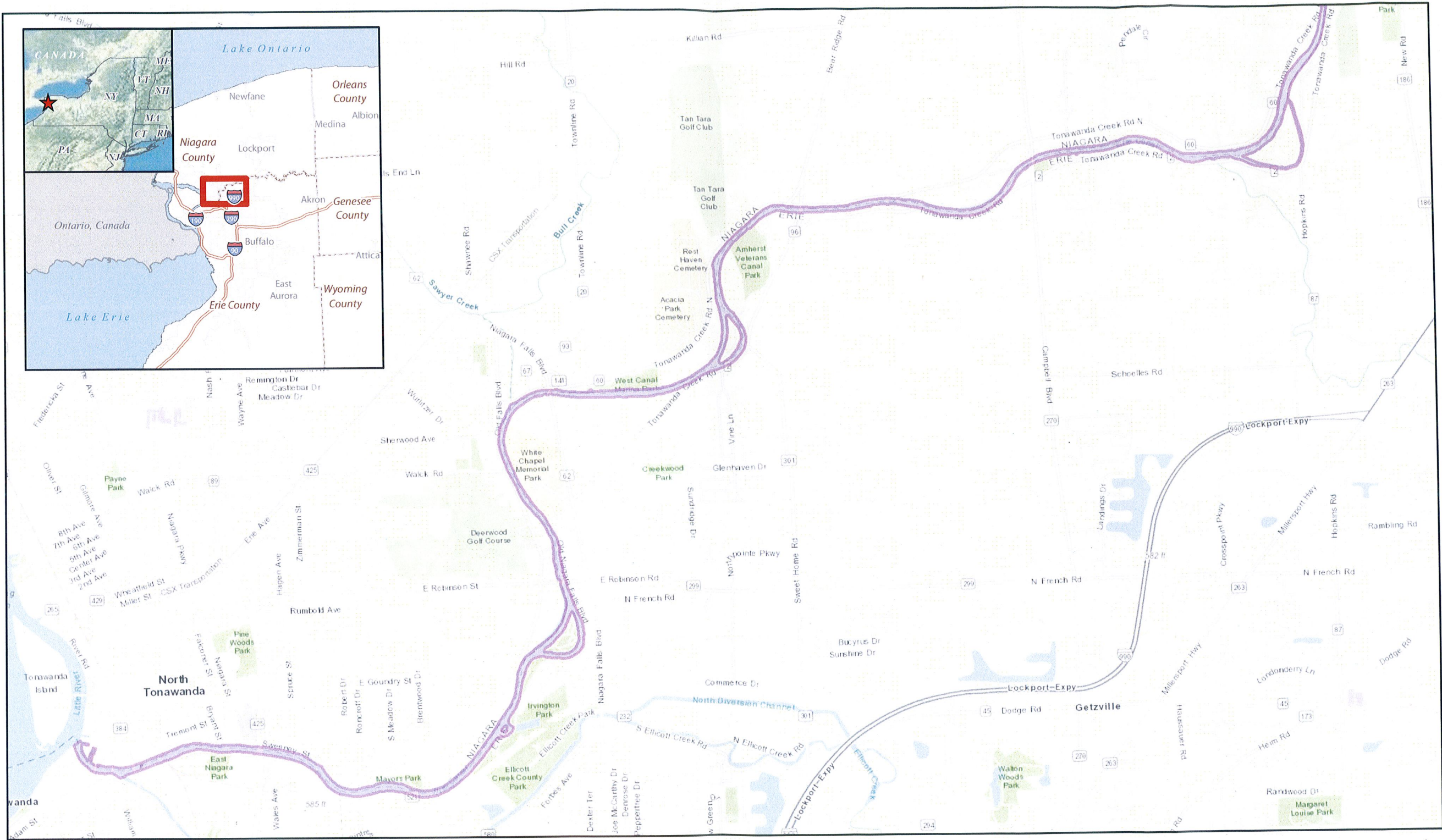
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Sincerely,

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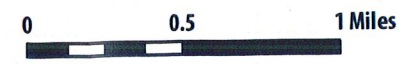
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2018 Treatment Area Boundary

Note: Specific spot treatment locations will be determined within the treatment area during surveys the week of August 20th.



Hydrilla Spot Treatment, August 2018

Tonawanda Creek, Erie and Niagara Counties, New York