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To: All Affected Users

From: Joe Baratka, Highway Commissioner

Date: October 1, 2021

Re: Phillips Chain Winter Draw Down

Annual winter water level reduction is scheduled to begin Monday, October 18, 2021, on the Phillips Chain: Long Lake, Wilson Lake, Elk Lake, Duroy Lake and Musser Lake. Weather pending, Long Lake, Wilson Creek Flowage, Elk Lake, Duroy Lake, Solberg Lake and Musser Lake will be drawn down 8-10 inches by Thursday, October 21, 2021. These overwinter drawdowns are done to prevent shoreline degradation, control aquatic invasives, and provide water storage capacity to mitigate spring flooding. Levels will return to normal pool in the spring as the snow melts.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at 715-339-3081 ext. 2 or contact the Highway Department's main office at 715-339-3081.

Thank you

Joe Baratka
Highway Commissioner