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Environment Office Conducting Studies

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(Kahnawá:ke – 25, Seskehkó:wa / September 2007) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawá:ke would like to inform the community of the “Kahnawá:ke Shoreline Characterization and Limnology Study” being conducted by the Kahnawá:ke Environment Protection Office.

The study will characterize the types of shorelines that exist in Kahnawá:ke and determine surrounding environmental risks that may threaten them. Scientific Advisor, Lynn Jacobs, will work in collaboration with biologists from *Groupe Hemisphere* to examine all shorelines in Kahnawá:ke; from Chateauguay eastward, including the North Wall shoreline, and from the Kahnawá:ke Marina to Sainte-Catherine. A parallel project will examine water levels, flow, sediment depths, as well as water and sediment quality in Kahnawá:ke's bays.

“We will develop recommendations to protect our shoreline and near shoreline ecosystems, especially in sensitive areas”, says Jacobs. The study is expected to last until the second week of October.

Furthermore, the previously announced *Species at Risk* project is ongoing. Environmental Technologist, Holly McComber, is currently carrying out reptile and amphibian inventories for this project.

Findings for these studies will be announced to the community upon completion.

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