PROJECT STATUS UPDATE: 2021 CROTON HYDRILLA CONTROL PROJECT

REPORT DATE: 07/12/21-07/23/21

Croton Hydrilla Control Webpage: https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/106386.html

Project Description: This is the 5th year of hydrilla treatment in the Croton River based on a 5-Year management plan. After successful treatments in 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020 the treatment proposed for 2021 again involves the injection of the aquatic herbicide fluridone (Sonar Genesis®) into the river just below the New Croton Dam and at Black Rock Park with a target concentration of 2.0-4.0 parts per billion (ppb) for 90-120 days. Drinking water sample reports are posted on this DEC webpage: https://www.dec.ny.gov/animals/110624.html

Tasks Completed – 2021 Field Season

- Injection unit tanks filled by SŌLitude certified applicator: 7/15, 7/19, 7/22
- Units inspected by ISCS 7/12, 7/16, 7/19, 7/21, 7/23
- First fluridone detection in Croton Village well of the season. All less than 1 ppb and listed as normal.
- Water samples collected twice per week from New Croton Reservoir surface water at spillway reveal less than 1ppb spilling into Croton River from reservoir treatment. Samples collected twice per week from reservoir bottom release all non-detect for fluridone.

Drinking Water Fluridone Concentration Results (Phoenix Labs)			
Date Collected	Sample Status	Listed As	
7/8	Non Detect	Not Detected	
7/13	Non Detect	Not Detected	
7/15	Fluridone < 1ppb	Normal	
7/20	Fluridone < 1ppb	Normal	
7/22	Still At Lab	-	

Upcoming Tasks				
Task #	Description	Lead		
1	Village Drinking Water Sampling 2x per week	SŌLitude/Village Water Dept.		
2	Post Village Drinking water sample results to webpage	ISCS - McGlynn		
3	1 st Snorkel Survey of Croton River 7/28	ISCS & SePRO		

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