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Dear: Moira Lake Stakeholders,

SUBJECT: Broad-scale Monitoring Program work on Moira Lake

From approximately June 13 to September 30, 2016 Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) science crews will be conducting netting operations on the Lake. Netting will take five to ten days to complete. Nets are checked and moved daily to a new location.

Notices will be posted at various locations like the public boat launch and retail stores located on the lake during the netting operations. While the lake is being monitored all nets will be clearly marked with orange MNR buoys. Please don't lift the nets or buoys, and avoid recreational activities between and around the buoys.

The broad-scale monitoring program is designed to monitor the current and changing state of fisheries across Ontario. This is year four of the second five-year cycle to collect information for fisheries management. Approximately 30 lakes will be assessed this summer in the Southern Region. MNR science crews will collect information on fish species, take water samples, and check for invasive species. This information will be used by biologists to evaluate the health of fish populations and make management decisions for Fisheries Management Zones 12, 15, 16, 17, and 18.

Attached is a fact sheet with more information about the broad-scale program. A summary of the first cycle is available on the Fish ON-Line website at Ontario.ca/fishing.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please contact Steve Vandermeer at 705 324-5851.

Yours truly,

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Attach.