# Additional Information <u>Available</u>

### Village of Buchanan

https://www.villageofbuchanan.com/stormwater.

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### **Westchester County**

https://planning.westchestergov.com/environment/ stormwater-management/

https://planning.westchestergov.com/printmaterials

### NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (ny.gov)

https://dec.ny.gov/sites/default/files/2024-01/fertbrochure15.pdf

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

Together we can maintain and further improve the visual beauty and health of Lake Meahagh.



### Village of Buchanan

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# Lake Meahagh



# **Annual Watershed Mailing**

August 2024

### INTRODUCTION

Lake Meahagh has been classified by the New York State Department of Conservation (NYSDEC) as an impaired waterbody due to excessive phosphorous.

Over the past few years the Village has enacted various measures to help the Lake, Such as:

- Cleaning of catch basins throughout the Village.
- Street sweeping throughout the Village.
- Community outreach.

Recently, Lake Meahagh has been impacted by various invasive species such as the Eurasian Milfoil.



Source: <a href="https://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/">https://www.invasivespeciesinfo.gov/</a> aquatic/plants/eurasian-watermilfoil

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

### **Fertilizers**

- Only apply phosphorus free fertilizers or else excess phosphorous will be washed away into storm drains and streams.
- Avoid applying fertilizer If rain is in the upcoming forecast.
- Sweep excess fertilizer back onto your lawn and off of the street.
- Test your soil to determine what your lawn really needs.



Source: Look for the Zero Sign (ny.gov)

#### **Pet Waste**

• Pick up waste and dispose of in the trash.

 Do not let the waste wash away into streams and catch basins.



### **Lawn Mowing**

Consider mowing your grass at a high setting (over 2.5 inches). When you mow your lawn, direct the clippings away from the street, driveways, sidewalks, and other paved areas. Sweep to your own lawn, as grass clippings are a great source of natural fertilizer.

