## Oneida Lake Association Position Statement

Subject: Frederick Creek Dam

The attached information regarding the Oneida Fish Cultural Station and its Frederick Creek dam has been brought to the attention of the Oneida Lake Association.

Oneida Lake is undergoing extreme environmental stresses from multiple changes to its ecosystem. Zebra mussels, water level fluctuations, invasive plants, and cormorant predation have impacted our lake severely. In this critical time, we feel that the assets of the Oneida Fish Cultural Station are under utilized because of the failing Frederick Creek dam. If the dam is replaced and the culture ponds reactivated, hatchery production could be enhanced and new methods of rearing walleye fry could be explored and developed.