## October 2021 Ashuelot Pond Dam Update

17 October 2021, the hydrology report has been completed and submitted to NHDES Dam Bureau along with plans for gate construction. We had hoped to start the gate install this month however the plans are still at DES awaiting approval. There is a backlog at DES causing a delay. We will not be opening the upper gate this fall until gate construction has started, There is some doubt, that if opened the gate may not close completely. During spring thaw we will monitor lake level, in the event the level rises too quickly we will consider options to raise the upper enough to maintain safe lake level. I do apologize for not having more specific information at this time. As soon as we have approval and when gate construction starts I will inform LAE and the Village District members. Until then I want to thank everyone and my co-commissioners for their patience, it has been a long arduous road.

Regards

Joe Belcastro