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Dear Theo,

The Crane Lake Advisory and Stewardship Society (CLASS) are grateful for the work conducted over this past year by ALMS at Crane Lake. It was my pleasure to work with technician Megan McLean as she performed water sampling and various measurements of the lake.

I am very pleased that ALMS have collected this data, so that my stewardship group can work effectively to protect the Crane Lake watershed, having some accurate and consistent information to back us up when necessary.

ALMS were also highly supportive of the ECO day that CLASS carried out this past summer. The ECO day was well attended by lake residents and visiting campers. Megan and the grad student were helpful during this endeavour as well, by providing displays, demonstrations, and explanations of ecological data and concepts. CLASS is planning another ECO day during July of 2007 and I am hopeful that ALMS will again be able to participate.

Crane Lake is a small lake in North Eastern Alberta that has experienced extensive residential, recreational, and industrial (oil extraction and pipeline) development on adjacent lands in recent years. Considering this development, CLASS is engaged in the protection of the lake, lakeshore, and surrounding watershed through the cooperation of governments, residents, recreational users, and other stakeholders. It is our hope that Crane Lake will remain healthy and sustainable for future generations of Albertans and wild inhabitants. ALMS have been most helpful to our efforts and I wish you and your organization all the best in 2007.