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## **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

### **KEPO seeking assistance for Eel study**

**(Kahnawake – 10, Enníska/February 2015)** The Kahnawake Environment Protection Office (KEPO) is seeking the assistance of the community during a short-term American Eel study.

KEPO would like to hear your experiences and recollections in regards to eel fishing in Kahnawà:ke. Community members and local fisherman/fisherwomen are being invited to share their stories with us in the form of an interview.

Recent studies have shown a substantial decline in the American Eel population throughout the St. Lawrence Seaway including the Great Lakes region throughout the years. Threats to this species have been linked to habitat loss, pollution, and hydropower dams, just to name a few.

If you would like to participate, please contact Skahentioah Laborgne before Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at (450) 638-9802 or by email at [s\\_laborgne@hotmail.com](mailto:s_laborgne@hotmail.com) to schedule an appointment time for an interview.

#### **SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEDIA**

Please mention periodically until Friday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.

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