



**AGENDA FOR THE
QUINTE CONSERVATION
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

Date: May 16, 2019

Time: 3:30 pm

**Location: Quinte Conservation- Joe Eberwein Board Room
2061 Old Highway 2
Belleville, ON**

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**Minutes of the meeting of the
Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting**

Date: April 18, 2019, 3:30 pm
Location: Quinte Conservation - Joe Eberwein Board Room
2061 Old Highway 2
Belleville ON

Members Present: **Carrie Smith** (Township of Madoc), **Chris Malette** (City of Belleville), **Dale Grant** (Stirling and Rawdon Township), **Don Kuntze** (City of Quinte West), **Ellen Johnson** (Town of Greater Napanee), **Heather Lang** (Tyendinaga Township), **Henry Hogg** (Addington Highlands Township), **James Flieler** (Municipality of Tweed), **Janice Maynard** (County of Prince Edward), **John Hirsch** (County of Prince Edward), **John Wise** (Stone Mills Township), **Kate McNaughton** (County of Prince Edward), **Les Stanfield** (County of Prince Edward), **Norm Roberts** (Township of South Frontenac), **Ray Hobson** (County of Prince Edward), **Ron Derry** (Marmora and Lake Municipality), **Ronald Carroll** (Tudor and Cashel Townships), **Sean Kelly** (City of Belleville), **Steven Everhardus** (Town of Deseronto), **Tom Livingston** (County of Prince Edward)

Members Absent: **Jim Dunlop** (County of Prince Edward), **Mike Kerby** (Centre Hastings Municipality), **Nicki Gowdy** (Township of Central Frontenac), **Paul Carr** (City of Belleville),

Also Present: **Brad McNevin** (CAO), **Amy Dickens** (Source Water Protection Coordinator), **Christine Jennings** (Resource Technician), **Christine McClure** (Water Resources Manager), **Kathryn DiDonato** (Human Resources Specialist), **Kelly Maher** (Water Resources Technologist), **Kirsten Geisler** (Communications Specialist), **Lynette Lambert** (Water Monitoring Coordinator), **Mary Gunning** (BQRAP Environmental Assistant), **Maya Navrot** (Education and Stewardship Coordinator), **Paul McCoy** (Planning and Regulations Manager), **Sharlene Richardson** (Regulations Officer), **Tammy Smith** (Corporate Services Manager), **Michelle Grandchamp** (Quinte Conservation Intern), **Cait Dean** (Quinte Conservation Intern), **Susan Moore** (Friends of Napanee River), **Lawrence O'Keeffe** (Friends of Napanee River), **Grey Merriam** (Friends of Napanee River), **Barry Campbell** (Friends of Napanee River), **Roddy Bolivar** (Bolivar Phillips), **Max Christie** (SWP Committee Chair), **Richard Steiginga** (Baker-Tilly), **Monica Howes** (Baker-Tilly)

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:31pm.

Chris Mallet (City of Belleville) Arrives at 3:40 pm

Ellen Johnson (Town of Greater Napanee) arrives at 4:50 pm

Ellen Johnson (Town of Greater Napanee) leaves at 5:10 pm

a. **Notice Regarding Cell Phones and Pagers**

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b. **Collection of Personal Information for Board Minutes**

This is addressed to anyone that is not a board member and/or staff person of Quinte Conservation: Your name will be used in the board meeting minutes and the minutes will become public information after review and approval of the board. If you are present for a delegation or hearing, the context of your presentation will be recorded in the minutes of the board meeting.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Item 16, the Communications and Education program report, was postponed to the May meeting.

MOTION QC-19-20

Moved By: Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Norm Roberts (Township of South Frontenac)

THAT, the Agenda for the April 18, 2019 Executive Board Meeting be approved

CARRIED

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Quinte Conservation Executive Board meeting of February 21st, 2019

There was no discussion.

MOTION QC-19-21

Moved By: Steven Everhardus (Town of Deseronto)

Seconded By: Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Minutes from the February 21st, 2019 Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting be approved.

CARRIED

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests

There were no Pecuniary Interests

6. Delegations

Staff introduced the groups that would be speaking during the meeting.

7. Draft Audited Financial Statement 2018

Richard Steiginga from Baker-Tilly, the Authority's accounting firm, walked Board Members through the Consolidated Financial Statements of 2018.

A board member asked them to explain the deficit on McLeod Dam.

The presenter explained the debt principal repayment strategy for the dam.

A Board Member asked how long it would take until the deficit is lowered.

The presenter said that the cost would be about \$160,000 a year to bring down the debts. He stated that it is hard to determine the revenue from the dam as it varies each year.

MOTION QC-19-22

Moved By: Sean Kelly (City of Belleville)

Seconded By: John Hirsch (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Audited Financial Statement for 2018 be approved.

CARRIED

8. Asset Management Presentation

Roddy Bolivar, from Bolivar Phillips, gave a presentation on Asset Management for Conservation Authorities. This program is offered through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FMC) and was split into three parts. Part one discussed asset management overview and the project objective. Part two discussed conservation authority assets and asset services (physical and natural). Part three discussed asset management training.

The presenter commented that there is a three session asset management training opportunity where participants are able to create a draft asset policy to take to the board.

There were no questions.

MOTION QC-19-23

Moved By: Heather Lang (Tyendinaga Township)

Seconded By: Norm Roberts (Township of South Frontenac)

THAT, the Asset Management Presentation be received.

CARRIED

9. Friends of Napanee Presentation

Members from the Friends of Napanee River association and Board Member, Les Stanfield, presented the importance of protecting head waters and the role they (head waters) play in the overall health of the watershed.

They explained the objectives of the Friends of Napanee River and their role in educating the public on environmental protection and watershed health, as well as working to improve the Bay of Quinte.

A portion of the presentation was in regards to unmapped waterbodies and how those waterbodies need to be recognized.

A Board Member commented that a large amount of the unmapped watercourses are only seasonal and the problem with them becoming contaminated, or put at risk, is because studies for development are done when the watercourse is not visible. They asked how we would regulate this.

A presenter suggested using GIS technology to map seasonal watercourses and that once mapped, to initiate shoreline protection projects at the highlighted sites, including buffer zones to help reduce nutrient loads.

A Board Member commented that the degraders need to be identified. They asked how we would regulate property use if issues with contamination are on private property.

A presenter commented that it would be a challenge to enforce and that there needs to be a policy in place. They added that climate change could change how we do things.

A Board Member asked if there was a percentage pertaining to development that could impact an area.

A presenter commented that 8% of urbanization in a watershed can contribute to the loss of a significant amount of sensitive fish species.

A Board Member asked if the group did similar presentations to school groups.

The Friends of the Napanee River said that their presentations are mostly for adults and likeminded individuals and that it is very difficult to get involved with schools; however, occasionally they are able to present in schools.

Staff spoke up and said that this topic is addressed through a variety of the Authority's in-school watershed education programs.

Staff spoke towards the Authority's regulations and said that there were valid points made during the presentation and that staff will protect streams if they can see them. They added that they don't protect roadside ditches.

A Board Member suggested working with farmers and trying to educate them.

Another Board Member commented that there have been programs offered to farmers and that some participate and others don't.

MOTION QC-19-24

Moved By: Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Steven Everhardus (Town of Deseronto)

THAT, the Friends of Napanee Presentation be received.

CARRIED

10. Appointment of Regulation and Enforcement Officer and Designation

Staff commented that Mark Boone has completed his training and is now designated to be a regulations officer.

MOTION QC-19-25

Moved By: Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Henry Hogg (Addington Highlands Township)

THAT, Mark Boone be appointed to the Regulation and Enforcement Officer and Designation.

CARRIED

11. Staff Years of Service Recognition

The years of service for three staff members were acknowledged. Each attending staff member was presented with a framed picture and card.

- Kathryn Di Donato – 5 years of service at Quinte Conservation 2013-2018
- Lynette Lambert – 15 years of service at Quinte Conservation 2003-2018
- Tim Trustham – 15 years of service at Quinte Conservation 2003-2018

12. Review and Approval of the Section 28 Regulations and Permits

There was no discussion.

MOTION QC-19-26

Moved By: Steven Everhardus (Town of Deseronto)

Seconded By: Sean Kelly (City of Belleville)

THAT, the Section 28 Regulations and Permits be approved.

CARRIED

13. Plan Review Summary

There was no discussion.

MOTION QC-19-27

Moved By: John Hirsch (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Les Stanfield (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Plan Review Summary be approved.

CARRIED

14. Budget Control

A Board Member asked staff to present a strategy in regards to the Province of Ontario's decision to cut funding by 50 per cent to hazard programs.

Staff replied by stating that they have already been reviewing options and evaluating ways to cover or make up for the lost funds.

A Board Member inquired if there were any comments from other conservation authorities or from Conservation Ontario.

Staff commented that Conservation Ontario has an advocacy strategy where they will endorse NGOs and local organizations to lobby the government.

A Board Member commented that extreme weather events have a direct link to climate change and that more needs to be done in regards to bringing the Authority's concerns to the government.

A Board Member put a motion on the table that Quinte Conservation invites local MPPs to the next board meeting so that they can explain how the financial cuts will enable Conservation Authorities to cover the impacts of flooding.

A Board Member expressed concern their municipality will end up covering a majority of the cost.

MOTION QC-19-28

Moved By: Norm Roberts (Township of South Frontenac)

Seconded By: Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board invites local MPPs Todd Smith and Daryl Kramp to the next board meeting in order to address the reasoning behind the provincial cuts.

CARRIED

15. Media Releases and Communications Reports

There was no discussion.

MOTION QC-19-29

Moved By: Heather Lang (Tyendinaga Township)

Seconded By: Steven Everhardus (Town of Deseronto)

THAT, the Media Releases and Communications Reports be received.

CARRIED

16. Communications and Education Program Presentation by Maya Navrot

This agenda item was deferred to the next meeting.

17. WECI 2019/2020

A Board Member asked what WECI stands for.

A Board Member commented that it stands for Water Erosion Control Infrastructure.
A Board Member commented that the funding is still pending approval.

MOTION QC-19-30

Moved By: Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Tom Livingston (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the WECl 2019/2020 report be approved.

CARRIED

18. Electrofishing Cost Benefit Analysis

There was no discussion.

MOTION QC-19-31

Moved By: Kate McNaughton (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Tom Livingston (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Electrofishing Cost Benefit Analysis be approved.

CARRIED

19. Meeting Provincial Priorities for Reducing Regulatory Burden

Staff commented that Conservation Ontario spearheaded a report that identified ways Conservation Authorities can streamline planning and development approvals. Letters have been sent out to municipalities outlining the process.

A Board Member stated that a memorandum of understanding (MOU) needs to be set between conservation authorities and municipalities.

Staff mentioned that Central Frontenac and The Town of Greater Napanee have been in discussion to start developing MOUs.

MOTION QC-19-32

Moved By: Chris Malette (City of Belleville)

Seconded By: Sean Kelly (City of Belleville)

THAT, Meeting the Provincial Priorities for Reducing Regulatory Burden be approved.

CARRIED

20. Lands Committee Appointees

Appointees: Tom Livingston and Les Stanfield from the Prince Edward County Board

MOTION QC-19-33

Moved By: Chris Malette (City of Belleville)

Seconded By: Heather Lang (Tyendinaga Township)

THAT, the Lands Committee Appointees for Prince Edward County be approved.

CARRIED

21. Other Business

Board Members commented that the Authority should work closer with media regarding provincial cuts.

A Board Member commented that they attended the Conservation Ontario AGM where volunteers and staff were recognized for their hard work.

A Board Member requested that a motion for executive meetings to start at 2:00 pm be added to the agenda for the next board meeting.

22. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The date and time of the next meeting is May 16th, 2019 or earlier at the call of the chair.

23. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm.

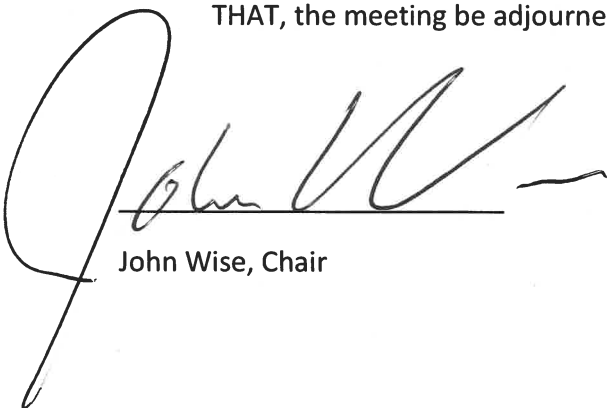
MOTION QC-19-34

Moved By: Tom Livingston (County of Prince Edward)

Seconded By: Dale Grant (Stirling and Rawdon Township)

THAT, the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED



John Wise, Chair

COMMUNICATION WITH MPP TODD SMITH AND DARYL KRAMP

DATE: MAY 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

**SUBMITTED BY: BRAD MCNEVIN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

At the April board meeting, members passed a motion directing staff to contact MPP Todd Smith and MPP Daryl Kramp and request that they attend the May 16th, 2019 executive board meeting. Board members wanted to discuss the cuts from the province to our Natural Hazards program directly with MPP's. Staff prepared and mailed a letter to each MPP (see attached). In addition, emails were sent to both constituency offices asking for their attendance.

Unfortunately, neither MPP was available to meet with the Quinte Conservation board on May 16th. I offered to reschedule our board meeting to May 23rd but MPP Smith's office identified that he was not available to meet with our board in May or June (see email correspondence).

A meeting was agreed upon for May 24th at 9:15 but was limited to the Advisory Board Chairs from the three watersheds, including John Wise, James Flieler and Janice Maynard.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

THAT, Quinte Conservation Executive Board receive this report.



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Daryl Kramp
MPP – Hastings – Lennox & Addington

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April 25, 2019

RE: Request for attendance during the May 16, 2019 Quinte Conservation Executive Committee Meeting

Dear Mr. Kramp,

As an organization within your riding, we are writing to you to express our concerns with recent cuts to the natural hazards program.

Quinte Conservation is a community-based agency that provides cost-effective environmental expertise to our residents of the Moira, Prince Edward, Napanee and Salmon Region. We provide essential services to protect people's lives and property through our flood forecasting and flood control programs. These essential programs support residents from 18 municipalities and provide them with valuable opportunities and services to ensure the conservation, restoration, and responsible management of Ontario's water, land and natural habitats. These are services that balance environmental, human, and economic needs.

It is important for us to express concern regarding the recent funding cuts, as they will have a direct impact on our ability to deliver our mandated programs and services.

During the Quinte Conservation Executive Committee meeting of April 18th, 2019, the members put forth and passed a motion to request you and MPP Todd Smith (Bay of Quinte) attend our May 16, 2019 meeting in order to discuss the Ontario Government's recent decision to cut funding by 50% to our natural hazard program.

At this time, I would like to extend an invitation for your attendance on May 16, 2019 at 3:30 pm.

We look forward to hearing from you. Please confirm your attendance by May 8, 2019.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

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MPP – Bay of Quinte

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Rhena Brett

From: Smith-co, Todd <todd.smithco@pc.ola.org>
Sent: May 2, 2019 2:35 PM
To: Brad McNevin
Cc: Gray, Denise
Subject: RE: Discussion with Quinte Conservation Executive Board

Brad,

At this time we will keep the meeting to those that we've discussed and confirmed as time is limited. Thanks for confirming I will secure the calendar.

JENNIFER KYTE | CONSTITUENCY MANAGER

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Sent: May 2, 2019 2:24 PM
To: Smith-co, Todd <todd.smithco@pc.ola.org>
Cc: Janice Maynard <jmaynard@pecounty.on.ca>; John Wise <jfhwise@gmail.com>; Jim Flieler <flielerjandc@gmail.com>
Subject: RE: Discussion with Quinte Conservation Executive Board

Good Afternoon Jennifer,

That is excellent, we are very happy and willing to host the meeting in our boardroom. Considering we have the space to accommodate our full board, I will extend the invitation to all of our board members if that is alright. The three Advisory Board Chairs have confirmed that they can attend on May 24th at 9:15. I will prepare a summary of questions that the board members would like to discuss.

Thank you for taking the time to arrange this meeting with Minister Smith, MPP Kramp and Quinte Conservation.

I will be in touch with further details regarding discussion points,

Kind regards,

Brad McNevin

Chief Administrative Officer

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From: Smith-co, Todd [<mailto:todd.smithco@pc.ola.org>]
Sent: May 2, 2019 12:27 PM
To: Brad McNevin
Subject: RE: Discussion with Quinte Conservation Executive Board

Hi Brad,

Given that our office is much smaller it will be a tight fit with just 4 people let alone the 7 that will be participating. Do you have a board room at your office that could accommodate every from 9:15-10.

I would ask that a list of concerns/questions that are expected to be discussed, be provided prior to the meeting so everyone can be as productive during that time as possible. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Sent: May 2, 2019 12:15 PM
To: Smith-co, Todd <todd.smithco@pc.ola.org>
Cc: Gray, Denise <denise.gray@pc.ola.org>
Subject: RE: Discussion with Quinte Conservation Executive Board

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for looking into alternate dates to address our Executive Board. As you are aware, the Prince Edward Region, Napanee Region and Moira River Conservation Authorities amalgamated to form Quinte Conservation. Each of these three regions still maintain their own Advisory Boards with a chair and vice-chair. Would it be possible for the meeting to include John Wise (Chair of Quinte Conservation, Chair of Napanee Region Advisory Board), Janice Maynard (Chair, Prince Edward Region Advisory Board) and James Flieler (Chair, Moira Region Advisory Board) and myself. We look forward to meeting with you on May 24th at 9:15.

Please let me know if there are any concerns with the meeting including our three Advisory Board Chairs.

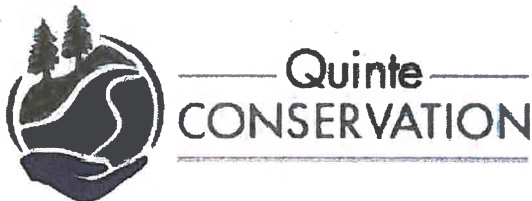
Thank you once again,

Brad McNevin

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From: Smith-co, Todd [<mailto:todd.smithco@pc.ola.org>]

Sent: May 1, 2019 3:21 PM

To: Brad McNevin

Cc: Gray, Denise

Subject: RE: Discussion with Quinte Conservation Executive Board

Good Afternoon Brad,

I am copying MPP Kramp's office in this reply as well. Both MPP's have a meeting on May 24th at 11:30 in the County, so they would be available to host here at our office a meeting at 9:15 -10am with you and the Board Chair.

I have no available dates in June for Minister Smith that would coincide with a board meeting and am not sure if you meet in the summer. Let me know if the May 24th date works on your end, it is being held currently by both MPP's.

Thanks.

JENNIFER KYTE | CONSTITUENCY MANAGER

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Sent: April 30, 2019 2:40 PM
To: Krampco, Daryl <daryl.krampco@pc.ola.org>; Smith-co, Todd <todd.smithco@pc.ola.org>
Cc: John Wise <jfhwisegmail.com>; Janice Maynard <jmaynard@pecounty.on.ca>; Jim Flieler <flielerjandc@gmail.com>
Subject: Discussion with Quinte Conservation Executive Board

Good Afternoon Mr. Smith and Mr. Kramp,

As you are aware, I have sent out a letter asking if you would be available to attend the May 16th, 2019 Quinte Conservation Executive Board meeting. I understand that with your busy schedules, you are unable to attend as you are both scheduled to be in the Legislature. I have been directed by the Chair of the Executive Board, John Wise, to ask if an alternative date can be provided to address the Quinte Conservation Executive Board. We would like both of you to attend the same meeting considering our 18 municipal partners are located throughout both provincial ridings. Please let me know, at your earliest convenience, if you would attend a meeting to address our board and a day that works for both of you.

Kind regards,

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From: Don DeGenova <degedon@sympatico.ca>
Sent: March 9, 2019 12:37 PM
To: Hardesty Rachelle
Cc: Vicki McCulloch; bmcnevin@quinteconservation.ca; Gerry Ebel; Navrot Maya; Tim Trustham
Subject: Re: Assistance - SLSP and Deer Lake / Hugel Twp Lakeside Property Owners

Rachelle...please share this with Council...perhaps as part of your report so that it is in their package. Thanks.

Don

On Mar 9, 2019, at 12:27 PM, Vicki McCulloch <vmcculloch@sympatico.ca> wrote:

Good morning Paul

Thanks for the kind words about the Stoco Lake Stewardship Plan! We are very proud of the work accomplished by our partnership (Friends of Stoco Lake, Municipality of Tweed, Quinte Conservation).

The process we used is described in some detail on our website, as are key 'products' at <http://friendsofstocolake.ca/activities/lake-stewardship-plan/>. You are more than welcome to 'harvest' or 'recycle' what might work for your organization/area.

I have also cc'd our Stoco Lake Stewardship Plan Steering Committee members, for their information.

Maybe you could give me a call on my cell tomorrow? I will be travelling next week. If others on the Steering Committee are interested in discussing, they can chime in, but several won't be on their emails til Monday likely.

Thanks,

Vicki McCulloch, Interim Chair Friends of Stoco Lake
P: 613 478 1500
C: 613 847 7444

From: paul finley [<mailto:paulfinley106@gmail.com>]
Sent: March 9, 2019 11:40 AM
To: info@friendsofstocolake.ca
Cc: Marc St-Georges
Subject: Assistance

Good morning,

My name is Paul Finley. I am a Board member of the Hugel Township (Deer Lake) Lakeside Property Owners Association located in West Nipissing Ontario. Much like you, we have been working for many years to preserve the quality of our beloved Deer Lake. We are currently working with the Associations of two other lakes of similar characteristic in our area and wish to undertake a coordinated Lake Management Plan and Strategy working with many of the same

partners as you did (Municipality, Conservation Authority, MNR etc). Having recently come upon the Lake Management Plan completed by your Association in 2017, we are most impressed and believe it to be the best (and only one) of its kind to be found in Ontario. Accordingly would it be possible to have a conversation with a representative of your Association perchance you might be able to assist us in initiating this project. As we would like to begin the process in the spring of this year (May) an initial email or phone within the next few days would be appreciated. I may be reached at 705-690-7161. Thank you very much for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Paul Finley

Don DeGenova
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PERMIT SUMMARY REPORT

DATE: APRIL 2019

SUBMITTED BY:

SAM CARNEY, PLANNING & REGULATIONS TECHNICIAN

| FILE # | SITE ADDRESS | WARD | TOWNSHIP | NATURAL FEATURE | WORK DESCRIPTION |
|--------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------------|---|
| REG0003-2019 | 85 TREASURE COVE LN | NORTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | BAY OF QUINTE | DWELLING, SEWAGE SYSTEM, FILL IN LOW AREA |
| REG0014-2019 | 538 MORRISON PT RD | SOUTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | LAKE ONTARIO | BOATHOUSE W/ LOFT, INSTALL MARINE RAIL |
| REG0016-2019 | 25 DUNDAS ST W | THURLOW | BELLEVILLE | BAY OF QUINTE | DREDGE TWO BASINS |
| REG0023-2019 | 981 HUYCKS PT RD | HILLIER | PEC | LAKE ONTARIO | INSTALL LG CLEAR STONE TO REPAIR ERODED SHORELINE |
| REG0026-2019 | 275 LAKEVIEW AVE | HILLIER | PEC | LAKE ONTARIO | REPAIR EXISTING ARMOUR STONE RETAINING WALL |
| REG0032-2019 | AIRPORT PKWY | THURLOW | BELLEVILLE | TRIB OF BLESSINGTON CREEK | REPLACE FAILING CULVERT |
| REG0033-2019 | 54 S GEORGE ST | THURLOW | BELLEVILLE | BAY OF QUINTE | DETACHED GARAGE |
| REG0036-2019 | 74 COTTAGE LN | RICHMOND | NAPANEE | LIME LAKE | 2-STOREY ADDITION, FILL & GRADING |
| REG0040-2019 | 1726 CTY RD 5 | SOPHIASBURGH | PEC | CONSECON CREEK | NEW DECK, REPLACE SEWAGE SYSTEM |
| REG0041-2019 | 195 SMITH RD | SIDNEY | QUINTE WEST | TRIB OF FOXBORO SWAMP PSW | EXCAVATE FIRE SUPPRESSION WATER STORAGE POND |
| REG0042-2019 | 9 LANDS END LN | NORTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | ADOLPHUS REACH | INSTALL LIMESTONE TO REPAIR ERODED SHORELINE |
| REG0044-2019 | 85 CTY RD 27 | HILLIER | PEC | LAKE ONTARIO | ADDITION, NEW SEPTIC SYSTEM |
| REG0045-2019 | 1641 CTY RD 13 | SOUTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | LAKE ONTARIO | DWELLING, SEWAGE SYSTEM, POOL |
| REG0089-2018 | 71 A&B RUSH LN | TWEED | TWEED | STOCO LAKE | DEMOLISH AND REBUILD DWELLING |
| FILE # | SITE ADDRESS | WARD | TOWNSHIP | NATURAL FEATURE | WORK DESCRIPTION |

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|---------------------|----------------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| REG0391-2018 | CTY RD 9 | RICHMOND | NAPANEE | NAPANEE RIVER | NEW DRIVEWAY & 2 CULVERT CROSSINGS |
| REG0421-2018 | 104B BROOKS LN | BEDFORD | SOUTH FRONTENAC | THIRTY ISLAND LAKE | DECK |

PLANNING SUMMARY REPORT

DATE: APRIL 2019

SUBMITTED BY:

SAM CARNEY, PLANNING & REGULATIONS TECHNICIAN

| APPL'N TYPE & QC FILE NO. | SITE ADDRESS | WARD | TOWNSHIP | NATURAL FEATURE | APPLICATION DESCRIPTION |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| CONSENT & REZONING, PL0082-2019 | 1038 CTY RD 4 | HALLOWELL | PEC | UNNAMED WETLANDS (RETAINED) | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT & REZONING, PL0083-2019 | 543 BETHEL RD | SOPHIASBURGH | PEC | BIG SWAMP LITTLE SWAMP PSW & TRIB | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT & REZONING, PL0084-2019 | 4168B HWY 62 | AMELIASBURGH | PEC | SAWGUIN CREEK PSW & TRIB | LOT ADDITION & RELATED REZONING |
| CONSENT & REZONING, PL0088-2019 | 369 CENTRE ST N | RICHMOND | NAPANEE | NONE | LOT ADDITION & RELATED REZONING |
| CONSENT, PL0070-2019 | 174 HANNA LN & 284 D CEDARSTONE RD | SHEFFIELD | STONE MILLS | BEAVER LAKE | LOT ADDITION |
| CONSENT, PL0073-2019 | 4807 OLD HWY 2 | THURLOW | BELLEVILLE | NONE | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0075-2019 | 1188A CLOW RD | HINCHINBROOKE | CENTRAL FRONTENAC | COLE LAKE & ASSOC. WETLANDS | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0077-2019 | COOPER RD | MADOC | HASTINGS COUNTY | WETLANDS & WATERCOURSE DRAINING INTO HAZZARD LAKE | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0078-2019 | HOLDEN RD | CAMDEN EAST | STONE MILLS | WETLAND (RETAINED) | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0080-2019 | 3225 CTY RD 8 | NORTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | UNNAMED WETLANDS | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| APPL'N TYPE & QC FILE NO. | SITE ADDRESS | WARD | TOWNSHIP | NATURAL FEATURE | APPLICATION DESCRIPTION |

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| CONSENT, PL0081-2019 | 174 PT PLEASANT LN | NORTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | LAKE ONTARIO | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0087-2019 | NW CORNER OF CROOKSTON RD & JONES RD | HUNTINGDON | HASTINGS COUNTY | CROOKSTON FEN PSW, UNNAMED WETLANDS, TRIB OF DRAG LAKE | SEVER 2 RURAL PARCELS |
| CONSENT, PL0091-2019 | 904 CTY RD 11 | CAMDEN EAST | STONE MILLS | NONE | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0092-2019 | 446 KIDD'S RD | SHEFFIELD | STONE MILLS | WHITE LAKE & WETLANDS | SEVER ONE RURAL PARCEL |
| CONSENT, PL0096-2019 | 274 DURHAM ST S | HUNTINGDON | HASTINGS COUNTY | DEER CREEK | SEVER ONE RESIDENTIAL BLDG LOT |
| MINOR VARIANCE, PL0086-2019 | 71 NAVIGATION DR | AMELIASBURGH | PEC | SAWGUIN CREEK PSW & BAY OF QUINTE | REDUCE EP SETBACK TO ALLOW FOR PROPOSED POOL |
| MINOR VARIANCE, PL0089-2019 | 1082 HORSESHOE LN | KENNEBEC | CENTRAL FRONTENAC | HORSESHOE LAKE | REDUCE FRONT YARD, WATERBODY SETBACK TO BUILD STAIRS, DECK & SHED |
| MINOR VARIANCE, PL0090-2019 | 2359 MEREDITH LN | LOUGHBOROUGH | SOUTH FRONTENAC | SIGSWORTH LAKE, TRIB & WETLANDS | REDUCE HWM SETBACK TO ALLOW DEMO & RECONSTRUCTION OF COTTAGE WITH 2 ADDITIONS |
| MINOR VARIANCE, PL0093-2019 | 1019 FINCH LANE | KENNEBEC | CENTRAL FRONTENAC | HORSESHOE LAKE | REDUCE FRONT YARD & WATERBODY SETBACK IN ORDER TO BUILD DECK |
| MINOR VARIANCE, PL0098-2019 | 45 HILL AVE | MADOC | CENTRE HASTINGS | NONE | REDUCE REAR YARD SETBACK FOR STORAGE CONTAINER |
| APPL'N TYPE & QC FILE NO. | SITE ADDRESS | WARD | TOWNSHIP | NATURAL FEATURE | APPLICATION DESCRIPTION |

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| MINOR VARIANCE, PL0296-2018 | LIPSETT LANE | KENNEBEC | CENTRAL FRONTENAC | KENNEBEC LAKE & WETLANDS | REDUCE FRONT YARD, WATERBODY AND WETLAND SETBACKS TO ALLOW NEW COTTAGE, SEPTIC SYSTEM AND SHED |
| REZONING, PL0065-2019 | 575 CROWES RD | SOUTH MARYSBURGH | PEC | UNNAMED WETLANDS & WATERCOURSE | ALLOW SMALL-SCALE WEDDING/EVENT VENUE |
| REZONING, PL0079-2019 | 4A & 4B LONDON AVE | HALLOWELL | PEC | NONE | REZONE TO URBAN RESIDENTIAL TYPE 1 TO ALLOW FOR ACCESSIBLE SF DWELLING |
| REZONING, PL0085-2019 | 208 MAIN ST | PICTON | PEC | NONE | REZONE TO SPECIAL INSTITUTIONAL ZONE TO ACKNOWLEDGE REDUCED SETBACKS FOR PROPOSED ADDITION |
| SITE PLAN, PLP0009-2019 | 49 & 57 FOLKARD LN | HALLOWELL | PEC | PICTON BAY | REVIEW OF SWM REPORT (GREER GALLOWAY, AUG.2018) & DEV.PROPOSAL (R.ESSIAMBRE, NOV.26.18) |
| APPL'N TYPE & QC FILE NO. | SITE ADDRESS | WARD | TOWNSHIP | NATURAL FEATURE | APPLICATION DESCRIPTION |

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|-----------------|---|---|
| SUBDIVISION, PLP0008-2019 | BELLEVILLE RD | WELLINGTON | PEC | LANE CREEK | REVIEW OF PRELIM.SWM REPORT, FUNCTIONAL SERVICING REPORT (BOTH BY JEWELL ENG, DEC.21/18), PLANNING RATIONALE (R.ESSIAMBRE, DEC.15/18), PROPOSED DRAFT PLAN (R.ESSIAMBRE & JEWELL, DATED DEC.2018 REVISED JAN.4/19) |
| ZBL AMENDMENT, PL0071-2019 | 1142 QUIN MO LAC RD | HUNTINGDON | CENTRE HASTINGS | UNNAMED WETLANDS DRAINING INTO DRAG LAKE | REZONE TO RURAL INDUSTRIAL EXCEPTION 1 ZONE FOR PROPOSED CANNABIS GROWING FACILITY |
| ZBL AMENDMENT, PL0072-2019 | 1138 HWY 41 | RICHMOND | NAPANEE | NONE | REZONE TO SPECIFIC RURAL INDUSTRIAL ZONE TO ALLOW SALES/SERVICE OF FARM EQUIPMENT |
| ZBL AMENDMENT, PL0094-2019 | 2485 WALLBRIDGE- LOYALIST RD | SIDNEY | QUINTE WEST | NONE | REZONE TO RR TO RECOGNIZE RESIDENTIAL SIZE OF SEVERED LOT |

**Quinte Conservation
Budget Control**
For The 4 Periods Ending April 30, 2019

| | Current Budget | Current YTD | % Of Total Budget Spent |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Expenditures for Operations | | | |
| Watershed Science, Monitoring & Reporting | | | |
| Program Management | 520,512.88 | 183,177.80 | 35% |
| Watershed Planning | 520,512.88 | 161,458.37 | 31% |
| Climate Change | 152,623.21 | 17,636.03 | 12% |
| Flood Forecasting | 144,362.00 | 35,801.50 | 25% |
| GIS Services | 66,755.00 | 16,679.05 | 25% |
| Watershed Data Management & Reporting | 108,345.00 | 26,406.70 | 24% |
| Water Control Operations | 161,580.25 | 89,106.92 | 55% |
| Sub-total | <u>1,674,691.22</u> | <u>530,266.37</u> | 32% |
| Planning Advisory & Regulatory Services | | | |
| Program Management | 315,407.26 | 85,355.48 | 27% |
| Program Costs | 17,000.00 | 3,896.01 | 23% |
| Legal Fees | 16,000.00 | 386.38 | 2% |
| Sub-total | <u>348,407.26</u> | <u>89,637.87</u> | 26% |
| Corporate Services | | | |
| Management & Members | 187,622.77 | 53,344.16 | 28% |
| Operations of Office | 210,990.88 | 82,714.08 | 39% |
| Operation of Vehicle and Equipment | 81,138.00 | 19,105.76 | 24% |
| Equipment Acquisition | 60,000.00 | -19,700.99 | -33% |
| Communications | 41,320.00 | 10,886.75 | 26% |
| Sub-total | <u>581,071.65</u> | <u>146,349.76</u> | 25% |
| Conservation Land Management | | | |
| Program Management | 32,897.04 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Property Taxes | 80,000.00 | 30,738.82 | 38% |
| Conservation Area Operations | 146,600.00 | 20,860.35 | 14% |
| Conservation Area Major Upgrades | 20,980.08 | -22,196.00 | -106% |
| Sub-total | <u>280,477.12</u> | <u>29,403.17</u> | 10% |
| Stewardship Services | | | |
| Program Management | 57,049.75 | 7,336.42 | 13% |
| Reforestation | 34,624.39 | -13,224.88 | -38% |
| Wild about Wildlife | 10,000.00 | 795.48 | 8% |
| Conservation Education & Outdoor Program | 11,500.00 | -207.67 | -2% |
| Sub-total | <u>113,174.14</u> | <u>-5,300.65</u> | -5% |
| Total Expenditures | 2,997,821.39 | 790,356.52 | 26% |
| Revenue for Operations | | | |
| | Current Budget | Current YTD | % Of Budget Received |
| Regular Municipal Levy | -1,486,753.00 | -1,486,753.00 | 100% |
| Special Municipal Levy | -112,140.16 | -46,612.16 | 42% |
| Provincial | -321,779.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Other Revenue | -1,077,149.23 | -661,913.25 | 61% |
| Total Revenue | <u>-2,997,821.39</u> | <u>-2,195,278.41</u> | 73% |

| | Current Budget | Current YTD | % Of Total Budget Spent |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Partnering Projects | | | |
| Napanee River Bouys | 11,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Operational Review | 50,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Early Response | 6,436.79 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Source Protection Municipal Implementation | 27,000.00 | 1,770.00 | 7% |
| Source Water Protection | 90,327.66 | 89,054.35 | 99% |
| Storm Water Management Implementation | 106,650.07 | 1,382.61 | 1% |
| WISKI Hub Shared Costs | 32,000.00 | 1,472.14 | 5% |
| Yellow Fish Road | 961.88 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Frink Centre Partnership | 5,000.00 | 593.55 | 12% |
| MOE Longwell Project | 3,812.19 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Frink Centre Boardwalk Improvements | 87,769.57 | 12.77 | 0% |
| Ackerman Property Project | 21,044.04 | 159.66 | 1% |
| National Disaster Mitigation Program | 30,567.72 | 25,720.76 | 84% |
| WISKI Snow Melt | 26,854.97 | 26,854.97 | 100% |
| WISKI Drought Management | 34,843.67 | 0.00 | 0% |
| WISKI FF Continuity of Op Plan & Enhance | 103,249.75 | 47,145.28 | 46% |
| ORCA -Low Water | 7,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Drought & Low Water Management | 787.18 | 787.18 | 100% |
| Sub-total | 645,305.49 | 194,953.27 | 30% |
| BofQ RAP | | | |
| 2018-2019 Workplan | 94,366.83 | 44,407.33 | 47% |
| 2019-2020 Workplan | 99,000.00 | 3,084.79 | 3% |
| Habitat Enhancement Demonstration Project | 2,431.27 | 0.00 | 0% |
| OPG -Big Island Monitoring | 180,131.00 | 39,207.35 | 22% |
| Sub-total | 375,929.10 | 86,699.47 | 23% |
| QC Capital Projects | | | |
| Deerock Dam 2014 | 17,174.32 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Jame Lazier Dam 2014 | 13,721.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Roblin Lake 2015 | 7,500.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Whitney Dam 2015 | 25,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Upper Arden Public Safety Measures | 2,173.70 | 2,173.70 | 100% |
| Public Safety Measures -Sign Upgrade | 21,674.00 | 21,674.00 | 100% |
| Flinton Dam Public Safety Measures | 26,383.00 | 26,383.00 | 100% |
| Dam Op, Surveillance, Maint. & Safety Manual | 49,500.00 | 49,500.00 | 100% |
| Sub-total | 163,126.02 | 99,730.70 | 61% |
| Projects through Fundraising | | | |
| Storage Garage New Build | 350,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Sub-total | 350,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Total Other Program Expenditures | 1,534,360.61 | 381,383.44 | 25% |
| | Current Budget | Current YTD | % Of Budget Received |
| Revenue for Other Programs | | | |
| Partnering Projects | -645,305.48 | -610,710.91 | 95% |
| BofQ RAP | -375,929.10 | -109,940.30 | 29% |
| QC Capital Projects | -163,126.02 | -300,626.02 | 184% |
| Projects through Fundraising | -350,000.00 | 0.00 | 0% |
| Total Revenue for Other Programs | -1,534,360.60 | -1,021,277.23 | 67% |

PROVINCIAL BUDGET CUTS

DATE: MAY 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

**SUBMITTED BY: BRAD MCNEVIN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

The Ontario Government recently released the 2019 budget and shortly thereafter cut provincial funding to conservation authorities by 50%. This was done without any consultation with Conservation Ontario or individual conservation authorities. The 50% cut came as a surprise, in an email, and resulted in significant shock and disbelief that a government could treat a valuable partner such as us in this manner. Some sources claim that the cut was being explained as an administrative cut. This is simply not true. The Section 39 transfer payment for the Natural Hazards program provides direct support for “boots on the ground” to an already underfunded program. Last year, Quinte Conservation reported in our “Section 39 Natural Hazards 2018/2019 Grant Funding Year End Summary” a total of \$1,809,895 of eligible expenditures (Grant and Levy dollars) to support this program. The province contributed only \$321, 779 worth of support. This value has been consistent since the early 1990’s when funding was drastically cut in a similar manner. On April 12, 2019 I received an email from the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry stating that our funding for the Natural Hazards program would be reduced to \$166, 771 (a 48% reduction).

Quinte Conservation operates on a very tight budget with our staff compliment delivering programs and services that are all necessary for our watershed health. Our strategic plan and direction from the Executive Committee supported all of our current program and services as they understand the value and cost effectiveness to be able to support 18 municipalities. All of our existing programs and service have a direct link to our core mandate of “Ensuring the conservation, restoration and responsible management of Ontario’s water, land and natural habitats through programs that balance environmental, human and economic needs”. To make up for the provincial cuts we have prepared a “2019 Additional Levy to Cover Cut from Provincial Grant” (see attached) outlining what we require to function moving forward. Our operation does not have the ability to simply trim costs from one program or another because they all operate on a shoe string budget. If we were to reduce budgets to any of our programs and services, the likely result would be a reduction in staff. The impact would be that we would not be able to provide the programs and services that we currently implement for our

watershed residents. We have considered options but many would only result in a temporary solution or minimal cost recovery to account for the cuts.

Some of these options include:

Depleting our reserve account – not a permanent solution and our reserve account is currently only at \$400,000;

Selling lands (this was considered but no details on specific properties are currently available) – not a permanent solution;

Reduce budgets for individual programs and services – result would be the loss of the program/service and reduction in staff;

Increasing fees for plan review and permits (possible but would not make up for the shortfall and will result in an increase of violations that will have the potential to cost Quinte Conservation more in staff time and enforcement);

Charge User fees for use of our properties (Increase staff time for patrolling properties to make sure compliance and would not make up for the shortfall);

To assist with the transition due to drastic cuts, we could use approximately \$56,575 of unspent 2018 approved budget that was prioritized under Equipment Acquisition, Conservation Area Upgrades, Reforestation and Conservation Education and reallocate this to reduce the amount of revenue to balance the 2019 Approved Budget.

In addition to the already discussed items, we would also like to do a house keeping item and that includes reducing the Special Levy (SL) sheets. The Forestry Levy (FL) and Watershed Monitoring Levy (WML) for the past several years have been identified as an SL item. These programs assist with the delivery of our core mandate, are part of our operation and should not be considered a SL item. Removing the FL and WML would not impact the original amount requested from Municipalities as part of the approved budget for 2019.

Staff have reviewed options to deal with the recent provincial budget cuts resulting in a loss of \$155, 662 of revenue from our operations and have the following recommended motion.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

THAT, the 2019 Additional Levy to Cover Cut from Provincial Grant in the amount of \$155, 662 be approved and FURTHER THAT the 2019 addition be reduced by the unspent portion of

2018 approved budget of \$56,575 finalizing the new billing amount of General Municipal Levy to \$99,087.

And,

FURTHER THAT, the house-keeping item of having the General Levy include the Forestry and Watershed Monitoring Special Levies which will not change the dollar amount of Municipal Levy, be approved.

And,

FURTHER THAT, a media release identifying that the Quinte Conservation Executive Board had to approve an addition levy to cover the provincial budget cuts, be sent to local media outlets.

Quinte Conservation
2019 Additional Levy to cover cut from Provincial Grant

| | % in CA | 2018 Current Value Assessment (CVA) | 2018 CVA (Modified) in Watershed | CVA Based Apportionment Percentage | 2019 Cut Distribution | 2019 Cut Distribution Subtract \$56,575 |
|---------------------------|------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------|--|
| City of Belleville | 100 | 7,037,375,687 | 7,037,375,687 | 39.14 | \$ 60,926 | \$ 38,783 |
| Centre Hastings | 56 | 491,453,816 | 275,214,137 | 1.53 | \$ 2,382 | \$ 1,516 |
| Twp. Of Madoc | 100 | 209,341,676 | 209,341,676 | 1.16 | \$ 1,806 | \$ 1,149 |
| Marmora & Lake | 22 | 592,904,140 | 130,438,911 | 0.73 | \$ 1,136 | \$ 723 |
| City of Quinte West | 23 | 5,250,744,575 | 1,207,671,252 | 6.72 | \$ 10,460 | \$ 6,659 |
| Stirling/Rawdon | 17 | 464,262,223 | 78,924,578 | 0.44 | \$ 685 | \$ 436 |
| Tudor & Cashel | 48 | 158,527,920 | 76,093,402 | 0.42 | \$ 654 | \$ 416 |
| Municipality of Tweed | 100 | 628,403,216 | 628,403,216 | 3.50 | \$ 5,448 | \$ 3,468 |
| Twp. of Tyendinaga | 100 | 416,962,045 | 416,962,045 | 2.32 | \$ 3,611 | \$ 2,299 |
| Addington Highlands | 44 | 504,248,454 | 221,869,320 | 1.23 | \$ 1,915 | \$ 1,219 |
| Town of Greater Napanee | 53 | 2,140,636,957 | 1,134,537,587 | 6.31 | \$ 9,822 | \$ 6,252 |
| Twp. of Stone Mills | 100 | 862,160,082 | 862,160,082 | 4.80 | \$ 7,472 | \$ 4,756 |
| Twp. of North Frontenac | 1 | 893,021,095 | 8,930,211 | 0.05 | \$ 78 | \$ 50 |
| Twp. of South Frontenac | 21 | 3,242,992,908 | 681,028,511 | 3.79 | \$ 5,900 | \$ 3,755 |
| Twp. of Central Frontenac | 46 | 913,228,559 | 420,085,137 | 2.34 | \$ 3,642 | \$ 2,319 |
| Town of Deseronto | 100 | 121,845,508 | 121,845,508 | 0.68 | \$ 1,059 | \$ 674 |
| Corp. of Loyalist Twp. | 3 | 2,101,307,459 | 63,039,224 | 0.35 | \$ 545 | \$ 347 |
| Prince Edward County | 100 | 4,402,164,682 | 4,402,164,682 | 24.49 | \$ 38,122 | \$ 24,266 |
| TOTAL QC LEVIES | | | 17,976,085,165 | 100.00 | \$ 155,662 | \$ 99,087 |

Quinte Conservation Hydro
McLeod Dam Hydro Operations

| | March 2018 YTD | March 2019 YTD |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <u>Expenses</u> | | |
| Operator | \$ 16,687.05 | \$ 13,458.99 |
| Routine Maintenance | \$ 6,630.00 | \$ 3,512.46 |
| <i>Trashrack cleaning, janitorial, oil changes</i> | | |
| <i>Oil, filter, grease, cleaning supplies etc.</i> | | |
| <i>Outside contractors such as electricians, technicians required to complete routine maintenance or small repairs including deicing.</i> | | |
| Major Maintenance | \$ - | \$ 25,581.99 |
| <i>Repairs that are not routine that require a prolonged outage to the plant. This budget item should be placed in a reserve from year to year if not spent to pay for future repairs.</i> | | |
| Services | \$ 8,353.60 | \$ 5,687.88 |
| <i>Electricity used during shutdowns</i> | | |
| <i>Internet connection costs</i> | | |
| <i>Alarm monitoring fees</i> | | |
| <i>Insurance required for loan guarantee</i> | | |
| <i>Audit fee</i> | | |
| <i>Fees Paid to Veridian</i> | | |
| <i>Administration fees</i> | | |
| <i>Engineering fees</i> | | |
| Total Expenses | \$ 31,670.65 | \$ 48,241.32 |
| <u>Revenue</u> | | |
| Generated Revenue | \$ (92,601.03) | \$ (150,980.47) |
| Interest and Principal <i>-Repayment of the Loan</i> | \$ 79,139.49 | \$ 79,139.49 |

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT

APRIL 2019

SUBMITTED BY:
KIRSTEN GEISLER, COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST

April 2019 - Social media statistics for Quinte Conservation's Facebook page, and @quinteca on Twitter

TWITTER:

@QuinteCA Followers = 6,214
Messages Sent = 66
Retweets = 71
Engagements = 494
Twitter Likes = 38
Impressions = 26.6k
Link Clicks = 136

FACEBOOK:

Users Reached (per day) = 1,973.3
Total Facebook Fans = 2,793
Organic Impressions = 70.2k
Non-organic Impressions = 15.9k

Total Impressions = 86.19k
Total Engagements = 677
Link Clicks = 543

CONSTANT CONTACT EMAIL NEWSLETTERS

We have 2,183 active subscribers. Some subscribe to more than one newsletter.

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| Camping at Depot Lakes = 305 | Envirominute Podcast = 252 |
| Colebrook Dam Information = 20 | Events = 620 |
| Dam Operations – Moira = 108 | Family Nature Network = 408 |
| Dam Operations – Napanee = 83 | Quinte Conservation News = 794 |
| Dam Operations – Salmon = 62 | Flood Messages = 264 |
| Drinking Water Source Protection = 420 | Low Water Messages = 272 |

YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Here is a summary of views of videos on our YouTube Channel. These are total views, not for the month.

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| Mission Statement = 330 | Groundwater = 402 |
| Flooding: What's Your Role = 858 | McLeod Dam = 261 |
| How to Sandbag Your Home = 27.2k | Massassauga Point = 169 |
| Early Spring Water Safety = 1,351 | Potter's Creek = 307 |
| Permits and Regulations = 367 | Depot Summer 2015 = 433 |

Water Monitoring = 367
Protecting Places = 415
Ice Monitoring = 93
Bay of Quinte Funding = 50
Shorelines = 779

Sidney = 102
Flinton = 190
Deerock Lake = 548
Price = 126
Sheffield = 240

MEDIA COVERAGE REPORT

APRIL 2019

SUBMITTED BY:

KIRSTEN GEISLER, COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST

The following is a summary of the media coverage of Quinte Conservation for April 2019

| Media Outlet | Story Title | Run/Interview Date | Interview Done? | Who was interviewed ? | Related Media Release | Other source? | Notes |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---|
| 95.5 Hits FM | | 2-Apr-19 | YES | Christine McClure | YES | | Radio interview on CJOJ FM about water levels |
| Green Quinte | Partnership provides interns real-world experience | 8-Apr-19 | | QC Interns | NO | | QC interns from Queen's University |
| Quinte News | Prince Edward County to deal with Picton Harbour drainage, affordable housing | 8-Apr-19 | NO | | NO | | PEC Council Meeting |
| Quinte News | Science Fair Fun at Loyalist College | 14-Apr-19 | NO | | NO | | QC Sponsored an award for the Quinte Region Science and Technology Fair |
| Belleville Intelligencer | Conservation authority funding cut "devastating" | 15-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | Yes | | Ontario Budget Cuts |
| Quinte News | Quinte Conservation also facing funding reduction | 16-Apr-19 | NO | | Yes | | Ontario Budget Cuts |
| County Live | Ontario cuts payments to Quinte Conservation flood Programs by half | 17-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts |
| CBC Ottawa | Rain, melting snow spark flood alerts across region | 17-Apr-19 | NO | | NO | | Flood Warning |
| Quinte News | Offering tree seedlings for free | 17-Apr-19 | YES | Maya Navrot | NO | | Planting Trees |
| Belleville Intelligencer | Rainfall increases concerns regarding local waterways | 18-Apr-19 | YES | Christine McC | NO | | Flood Warning |

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| The Toronto Star | Conservation authority funding for flood programs gets cut by Ontario government | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| CTV NEWS Barrie | Ontario cuts funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Sudbury Star | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| CTV Kitchener News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Windsor Star | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Global News Toronto | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Medicine Hat News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| CP24 | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| 660News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| 102.9 The Drive FM | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Kamloops matters | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |

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| National Newswatch | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Star Phoenix | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Kitchener today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Newmarket today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Timmin today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Vancouver Sun | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Barrie today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Province | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| CHEK News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Soo today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | Yes | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Regina Leader-Post | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | Yes | Brad McNevin | Yes | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Battlefords News-Optimist | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |

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| NEWS 95.7 | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| TheRecord | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Hamilton Spectator | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Welland Tribune | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Niagara Falls Review | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Peterborough Examiner | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| St. Catharines Standard | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Collingwood today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Halifaxtoday | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Moosejawtoday | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Elliotlaketoday | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Ottawamatters | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |

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| Baytoday | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Guelphtoday | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| National Post | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| 680 News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| City News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| CTV Toronto News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Orilliamatters | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Ottawa Citizen | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| InfoTel News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Richmond News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Calgary Herald | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Times Colonist | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |

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| Reston Recorder | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Sudbury.com | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Chronicle Journal | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Penticton Herald | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Kelowna Daily Courier | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Souris Plaindealer | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Squamish Chief | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Yorkton This Week | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Prince George Citizen | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Humboldt Journal | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Powell River Peak | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| News 1130 | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |

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| Estevan Mercury | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Burnaby Now | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| North Shore News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Vancouver Courier | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| New West Record | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Bridge River Lillooet News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| The Tri-City News | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Delta Optimist | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Jump Radio | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 20-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| CBC | Ontario Cuts Conservation Authority Funding for Flood Programs | 21-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Belleville Intelligencer | Quinte Conservation upgrades to flood warning | 22-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning |
| Quinte News | Quinte Conservation and LTC issue flood warnings | 22-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning |

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| County Live | Quinte conservation upgrades watch to flood warning | 22-Apr-19 | YES | Christine McClure | NO | | Flood Warning |
| Bay Today | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 22-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Cool 100 and 95.5 Radio | | 22-Apr-19 | YES | Christine McClure | YES | | Flood Warning |
| Napanee Today | Quinte Conservation Issues Flood Warning | 22-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning |
| In Quinte | Flood Warnings issued for Quinte Watersheds | 22-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning |
| Toronto Storeys | Funding cuts to Ontario Flood Management Programs Will Come At A Cost | 23-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Ottawa Road Trips | Ottawa, Outaouais and regional flooding: What you need to know | 23-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning (QC Website linked) |
| Brighton Today | Flood Warning issued for Quinte Region | 23-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning |
| Two Row Times | Ontario cuts conservation authority funding for flood programs | 24-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts Quote pulled from QC Media Release |
| Tweed News | Flood Warning | 24-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Warning |
| Global News | Eastern Ontario conservation authorities feeling the pinch from provincial funding cuts | 25-Apr-19 | YES | Brad McNevin | YES | | Ontario Budget Cuts |
| Quinte News | Quinte Conservation issues flood outlook statement for Bay of Quinte | 26-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Outlook |

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| The Belleville Intelligencer | Rising Waters In Quinte | 26-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Outlook |
| Trenton Trentonian | Rising Waters In Quinte | 26-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Outlook |
| The Community press | Rising Waters In Quinte | 26-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Outlook |
| INQUINTE | Community Seedling Giveaway | 27-Apr-19 | YES | Maya Navrot | NO | | Community Trees |
| The Belleville Intelligencer | Seedlings find new homes | 29-Apr-19 | NO | | NO | | Community Trees |
| Community press | Seedlings find new homes | 29-Apr-19 | NO | | NO | | Community Trees |
| Global News | More rain brings potential for flooding in Kingston, Brockville, Belleville regions | 29-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Watch |
| Quinte News | Bay and lake levels high and rising | 30-Apr-19 | NO | | YES | | Flood Watch |
| 95.5 | | 30-Apr-19 | YES | Christine McClure | YES | | Live Interview |
| Cool 100 | | 30-Apr-19 | YES | Christine McClure | YES | | Live Interview |

WEBSITE REPORT

APRIL 2019

SUBMITTED BY:

KIRSTEN GEISLER, COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST

The following is a report on the activity of the www.quinteconservation.ca website:

SITE VISITS

Unique visitors = 9,693

Number of visits = 22,618

There were an average of 2.33 visits per visitor and 3.21 pages per visit.

TOP 10 DOWNLOADS

1. Conservation Area Brochure – Macaulay Mountain = 396
2. Summer Jobs – Stewardship Assistant = 376
3. Latest Measured snow Depths = 362
4. Staff Directory = 335
5. Conservation Area Brochure – Frink = 312
6. Water levels from the past 3 days = 215
7. Conservation Area Brochure – Vanderwater = 164
8. Brochure – Hardwood Invasive Species = 162
9. Modelled 5 Day Runoff = 161
10. Conservation Area Brochure Depot Lakes Trail Map = 159

LINKS TO WEBSITE FROM OTHER PAGES

1. Facebook = 373
2. Constant Contact = 61
3. The Great Waterway = 53
4. Twitter = 39
5. The County = 38
6. Prince Edward County = 31
7. Picton Gazette = 19
8. Skootamatta.ca = 15
9. Watersheds Canada = 10
10. Stonemills.com = 4

TOP SEARCH TERMS THAT LED TO OUR WEBSITE

Some form of "Quinte Conservation/area" =38

Some form of "Water" = 20

SOURCE WATER WEBSITE REPORT

APRIL 2019

SUBMITTED BY:

KIRSTEN GEISLER, COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST

The following is a report on the activity of the www.quintesourcewater.ca website:

SITE VISITS

Unique visitors = 1,429

Number of visits = 2,265

TOP PAGE VISITS

1. Brochure – Keep Chemicals Out = 248
2. Brochure – Septic Systems = 191
3. Brochure – Bedrock Geology= 90
4. Brochure – Prescribed Threats = 90
5. COHA Factsheet = 33
6. Point Anne Wellhead Protection = 29
7. Conservation Boundaries Map = 28
8. Watershed Characterization = 27
9. Assessment Report – 9 Key Outcomes = 27
10. Source Protection Plan = 26

TOP SEARCH TERMS

1. Drinking Water
2. Quinte Source Water.ca

2019 FLOOD SUMMARY

DATE: MAY 9, 2019

SUBMITTED BY:

CHRISTINE MCCLURE, WATER RESOURCES MANAGER

Conservation Authorities were delegated the role of Flood Forecasting and Warning by the Province of Ontario in 1984. This work is partially funded by the Section 39 Provincial Transfer payments. Quinte Conservation coordinates the Flood Forecasting and Warning Program for riverine and coastal flooding. The purpose of the program is to reduce the risk to life and damage to property. This is achieved by communicating how high waters will rise and when peak water levels will occur so that municipalities and residents can prepare and respond to flood events. Staff monitor conditions that affect flooding including water levels, streamflow, precipitation, snow, ice and ground conditions.

The flood forecasting and warning program relies on significant contributions from staff with different skill sets. Quinte Conservation relies on the skills of field and watershed monitoring staff to measure snow, ice and ground conditions in the field. Field and technical staff maintain precipitation and water level gauges to ensure accurate data collection. Flood forecasting, technical and IT staff maintain telemetry communications with remote gauges to provide near-real time information on water levels and precipitation. Water level information is automatically published to the Quinte Conservation website via programming tasks by IT staff. Dam operations decisions are made by flood forecasting staff and the operations are completed by field staff as directed to mitigate flooding and damage to infrastructure. Flood forecasting staff use relationships and hydrological based models to predict water levels and flows with enough lead-time for municipalities and residents to prepare for flood conditions. An understanding of the unique Quinte Conservation watershed is important for providing accurate and timely forecasts. Floodplain mapping and elevation layers

are produced by GIS staff and they are shared with municipal staff to help identify which properties are at risk during a flood event. Communications staff work closely with flood forecasters to prepare communications for municipalities and the media. These messages are posted to the Quinte Conservation website and shared via social media. Upper management, Corporate Services and HR assist with staffing and overtime management during periods of high flood forecasting workload.

WATERSHED CONDITIONS AND RESPONSE

At the beginning of March, snow water equivalent ranged from 60 to 100% of normal south of Highway 7 and to the north was 100 – 300% of normal. Over the course of March the snow in the southern portions of the watershed began to melt slowly with above freezing daytime temperatures and below freezing temperatures overnight. However by the end of March, the far north of the watershed had approximately twice the amount of snow-water equivalent compared to normal for that time of year. The snow-covered land made up a very small portion of the watershed so the impacts of the northern snowmelt would not have enough volume of water to cause flooding. Whereas, the Muskoka and Mississippi watersheds to the north had a significant snowpack over their entire drainage area during a quick snow melt.

A large rainfall event at the end of March saw the Moira River approach normal spring flows and then decline. An early April rain once again caused flows to rise to normal spring levels while filling up wetlands, reservoirs and saturating the ground. There were multiple rainfall events in the latter part of April which caused water levels to rise further.

The Skootamatta River in Actinolite peaked at the 1 in 5 year storm. The Moira River in Tweed peaked at the 1 in 10 year storm. The Moira River in Foxboro approached the 1 in 5 year flood. A 1 in 5 year flood has a 20% chance of occurring each year. A 1 in 10 year flood has a 10% chance of occurring each year, or a 92.8% chance of occurring over the course of a 25 year mortgage.

Table 1: River peak flows

| Location | 2019 Peak | 2014 Peak | 2017 Peak | Return Period |
|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---|
| Foxboro | 242 April 24 | 316 April 17 | 282 May 9 | 2 year = 209 5 year = 265 10 year = 295 25 year = 325 50 year = 343 100 year = 357 |
| Tweed | 215 April 22 | 284 April 16 | 218 May 7 | 2 year = 152 5 year = 192 10 year = 214 25 year = 235 50 year = 248 100 year = 258 |
| Deloro | 47.3 April 22 | 54.7 April 15 | 47.2 May 7 | |
| Skootamatta | 91.9 April 22 | 105 April 15 | 90.2 May 7 | 2 year = 74 5 year = 92 10 year = 103 25 year = 113 50 year = 119 100 year = 124 |
| Shannonville | 79.7 April 26 | 105 April 8 | 99.2 May 7 | 10 year = 112 25 year = 129 50 year = 143 100 year = 156 |
| Tamworth | 44.1 April 27 | 60.7 April 18 | 38.4 May 11 | 10 year = 86 25 year = 97 50 year = 108 100 year = 116 |
| Camden East | 48.3 April 21 | 79.7 April 15 | 58.9 May 9 | |

Stoco Lake on the Moira River and Beaver Lake on the Salmon River approached their 1 in 100 year flood levels. A 1 in 100 year flood has a 1% probability of occurring each year, or a 22.2% chance of occurring over the course of a 25 year mortgage.

Roblin Lake is currently experiencing high water levels. There are currently no logs in the structure. Staff have removed debris from the outlet downstream of the dam which increased the outflow of the lake. Staff will continue to monitor the outlet for blockages to maintain a clear outlet.

Table 2: Peak lake levels

| Location | 2019 Peak | 2014 Peak | 100 year |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Stoco | 141.29 April 23 | 141.685 April 17 | 141.5 |
| Moira | 155.61 April 23 | 156.03 April 16 | 156.2 |
| Beaver | 166.325 April 27 | ~166.48 April 18 | 166.36 |
| Horseshoe | 192.01 April 23 | 192.41 April 17 | |
| Big Clear | 196.91 April 22 | 197.05 April 17 | 197.85 |
| Third Depot | 167.30 April 16 | 167.61 April 15 | |

A sinkhole began to develop at the roadway overtop of Thirteen Island Lake Dam during the spring freshet. Quinte Conservation communicated with the Township of South Frontenac to notify them of the conditions. Quinte Conservation monitoring showed that the sinkhole was not growing and the hole was filled in advance of rainfall which could have caused further damage to the structure.



Figure 1 - Thirteen Island Lake Dam sinkhole



Figure 2 - Sinkhole showing material loss downstream

Due to high water levels, the concrete saddle dams at Lingham Lake were overtopped.

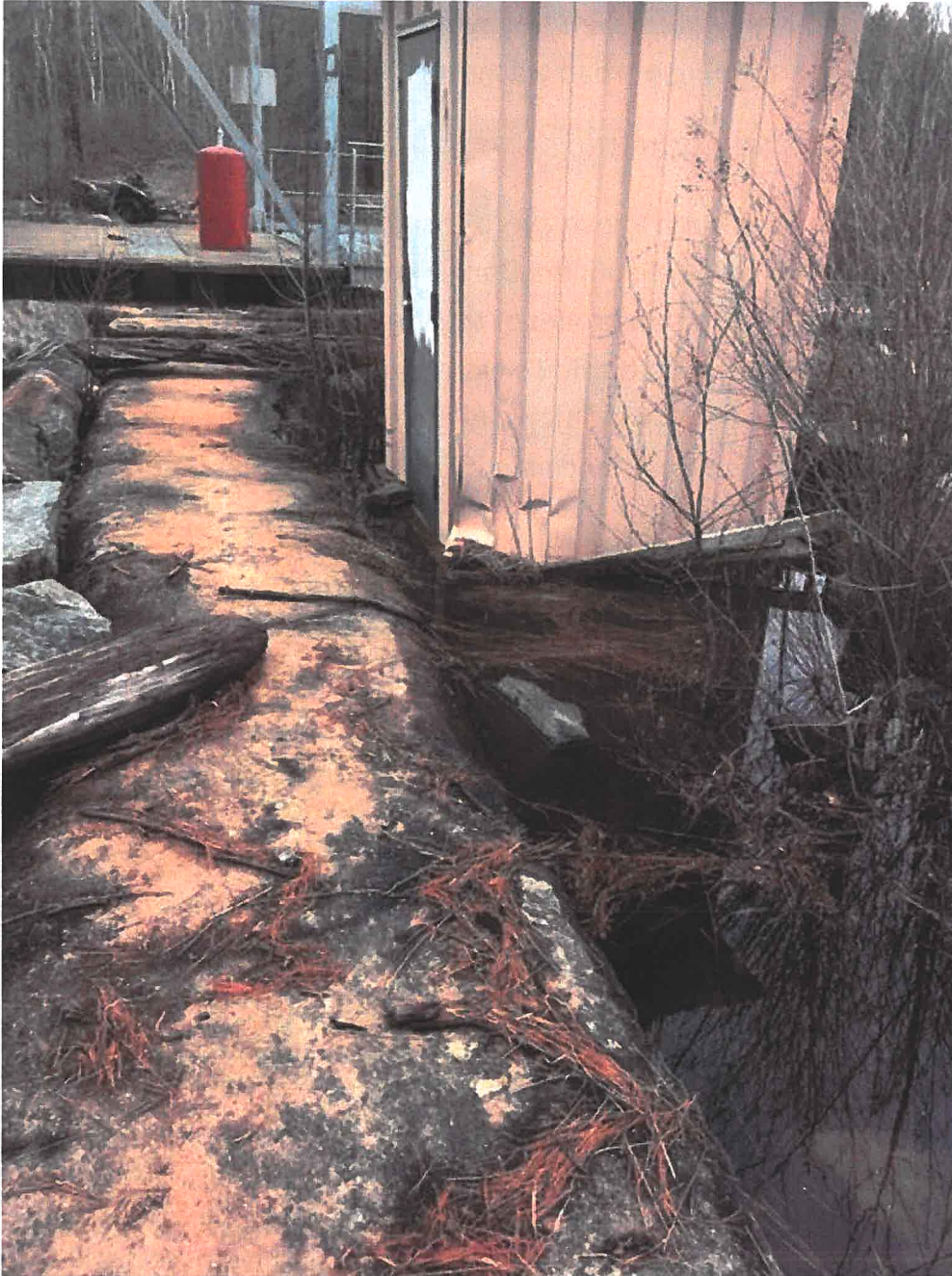


Figure 3 - Debris over saddle dam indicates that the structure was overtopped

Quinte Conservation engineering staff will be conducting inspections of all CA infrastructure when it is safe to do so.

Road washouts were experienced by several municipalities.

Quinte Conservation staff proactively contacted municipalities to notify them of any known areas that had high water levels and were at risk of sinkhole development, erosion, overtopping or road washout.

BAY OF QUINTE AND LAKE ONTARIO CONDITIONS AND RESPONSE

Lake Ontario water levels have been above average since 2017. Lake Ontario is regulated in Cornwall by the Moses-Saunders Dam. The operation of the dam balances flooding upstream and downstream of the structure. For much of the winter and early spring, Lake Ontario outflows were significantly above average to try to reduce water levels to normal conditions. By mid-March Lake Ontario water levels were comparable to those experienced in 2018, which was not a flood event.

Lake Ontario water levels are influenced by the uncontrolled inflow from Lake Erie, the precipitation and local runoff directly into Lake Ontario, and allowable Lake Ontario outflows to balance the flooding on the Lake and the properties downstream on the lower St. Lawrence River.

Lake Erie is currently more than 10cm above the highest recorded water level for this time of year. Flows from Lake Erie, over Niagara Falls are not controlled. Over the past three-months the Great Lakes watershed has received above average rainfall. This water ultimately drains to Lake Ontario. This spring the Ottawa River experienced record-setting flooding. The Ottawa River outlets to the St. Lawrence River. In order to mitigate the downstream flooding, the Lake Ontario outflows were reduced during periods of high St. Lawrence River flows.

As of May 9 Lake Ontario was 57cm above average for this time of year. This is 21cm below the same date in 2017 and 31cm below the highest level recorded on May 25, 2017. Lake Ontario is expected to rise another 10cm by Thursday, May 16 and will continue to rise thereafter. Lake Ontario is expected to peak by late May-early June. If average precipitation is received over the next month, Lake Ontario

will peak approximately 15cm below 2017 levels. However, under the wettest modelling scenarios, Lake Ontario will exceed the record setting flooding of 2017.

High winds and waves can cause additional flooding, wave uprush, damage and erosion to shoreline properties.

Staff have been issuing weekly forecasts to municipalities which includes the areas affected, water level resources and key messages to the public. Staff have been participating in Municipal Emergency Control Group meetings to provide water level forecasts. Weekly media releases are being issued.

The key public safety messages are:

- Shoreline residents are advised to either secure or remove loose items from their properties where there is a risk of encroaching flood water.
- Sandbags can be effective in protecting residences. Sandbags are not intended to protect shorelines and accessory buildings. For more information on shoreline protection, contact the Quinte Conservation office and speak with expert staff in the planning and regulations department.
- Boaters need to be cautious of floating debris and should take proper safety precautions when out on the water.
- Boaters should reduce speeds and wakes when boating along shorelines to reduce the localized flooding and erosion.
- It is important that the public never wade through or play in flood water as it is extremely unsafe. Flood water can be contaminated with septic and hazardous debris.
- Residents concerned that their shoreline well or septic has been compromised, should contact their local health unit. Do not drink the water and find an alternative water source to use. This message does not apply to municipal drinking water systems.
- Residents are advised to obey any posted road closure signs and to check with their municipality for updates on road closures and boat launch closures.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

THAT, the 2019 Flood Summary be received.

VANDERWATER CONSERVATION AREA

DATE: MAY 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

**SUBMITTED BY: BRAD MCNEVIN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Quinte Conservation has over 30,000 acres (12, 0000 ha.) of land ranging from large tracts of environmentally sensitive land to small parcels around our dam structures. The guiding principle for our conservation areas is to consider them as natural space where the public can visit and enjoy. Over the years some of our properties have evolved into what many consider and treat like municipal parkland. This is not the intent nor the purpose of conservation authority owned lands.

To return conservation properties back to their original intent, natural spaces, Quinte Conservation staff have been developing conservation area plans and have been revising maintenance plans to better align our properties with the natural space concept. Reduction in grass cutting, increasing natural cover through tree planting, shoreline naturalization, control of invasive species and maintaining trails to keep visitors concentrated on walking areas are strategies currently being implemented throughout our region.

Vanderwater Conservation Area is a unique property along the banks of the Moira River and includes 15 km of trails meandering through natural environments from mature cedar forests in the low lying areas to hardwood and coniferous forests that cover the slopes and high grounds. It is a very popular destination for cross-country skiing in the winter. The Moira River and surrounding forests bring many families, hikers, bikers, horseback riders and casual walkers in the spring, summer and fall. Historically, Vanderwater Conservation Area was operated as a campground. Unique to the Vanderwater Conservation Area is a long standing lease with the Boy Scouts where they hold training and events throughout the summer. The map below shows the details of the property including the trails, picnic areas, access road, gates, etc.

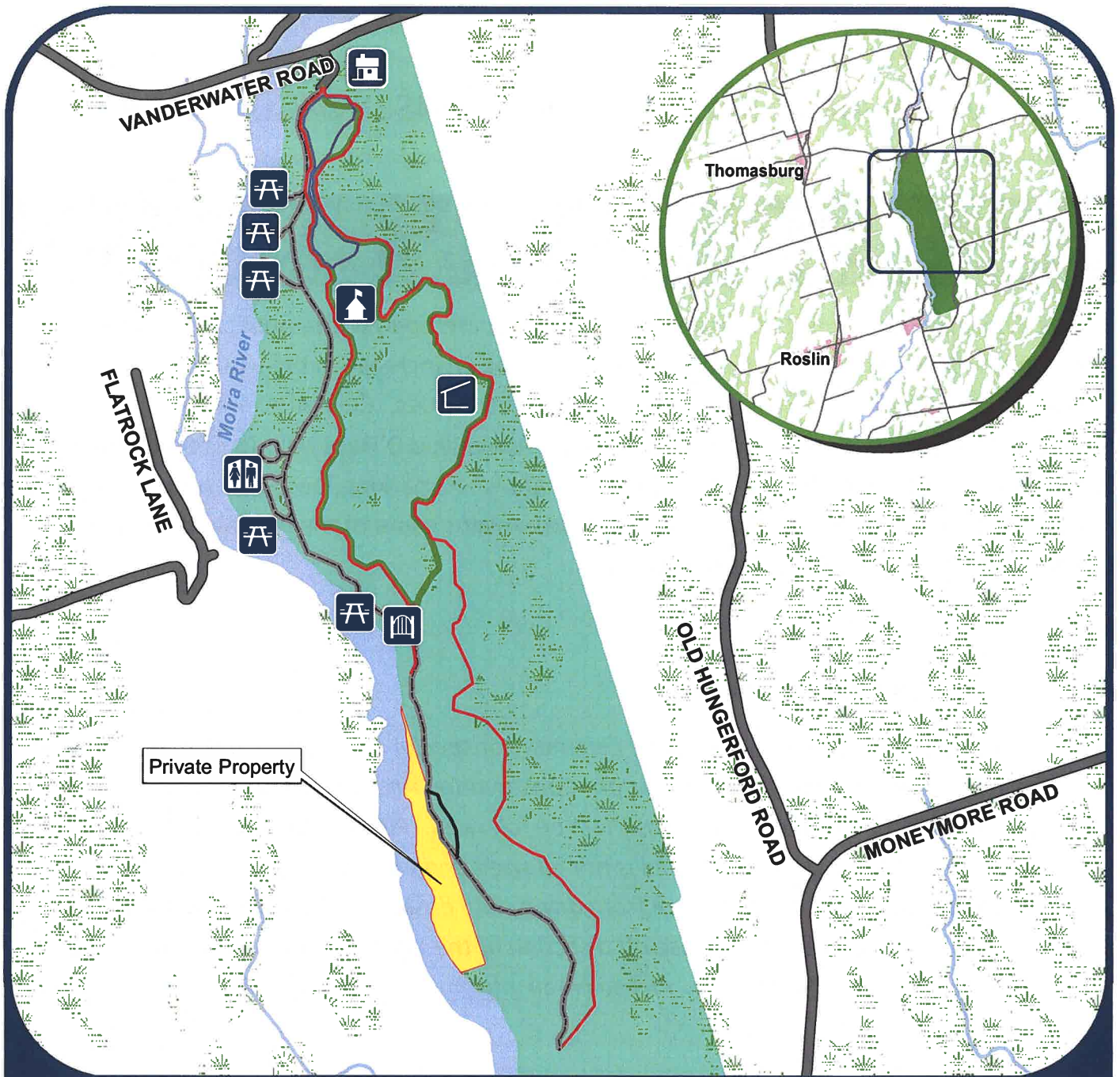
Vanderwater C.A. was developed in the 60's and 70's when there was lots of funding for development. It has a deteriorating asphalt road for approximately 4.4 km, starting at the main gate and extending along the Moira River to a small parking lot. The small parking lot is a popular destination for cars loaded with people as it is located at a section of the river where there are small rapids and natural pools for swimming. Obviously today the maintenance

costs of Vanderwater C.A. are not sustainable. This is the only conservation area that you can drive through and park in the picnic areas. This is a development concept that doesn't meet today's objectives. The internal park road is not in very good shape and continues to get worse. Quinte Conservation staff have received numerous complaints that the road is rough and people drive too fast along the road. The walk along the internal park road is picturesque, quiet, and peaceful and the thought of having to jump out of the way from a speeding car would certainly contradict the purpose of a natural space. Vandalism and garbage associated with increased traffic, increase costs at a time of funding cuts from the province contribute to the rationale for keeping the gate closed year round. Additionally, by continuing to allow vehicle access through the Conservation Area we add to pollution (noise and air), potential harm to wildlife through vehicle-wildlife impact, allow a vector for invasive species and the list can go on.

Staff have reviewed options for the Vanderwater Conservation Area regarding the internal road and have the following recommended motion.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

THAT, the main parking lot gate be locked year round and staff do not allow vehicular access through the Vanderwater Conservation Area, unless it is for Quinte Conservation maintenance activities or servicing the Boy Scouts Leased Area.



Vanderwater Conservation Area

Trail Map



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Moira River, Hespeler Region and Proctor-Edward Region Watersheds
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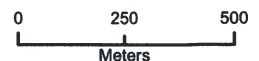
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- Boy Scouts Pavilion
- Gate
- Outhouse
- Park Workshop

- Picnic Area
- Shelter
- Internal Park Road ~ 4.4 km
- Blue Trail ~ 1.3 km
- Green Trail ~ 4.3 km
- Red Trail ~ 6.0 km

- Shortcut ~ 0.2 km
- Road
- Watercourse
- Waterbody
- Private Property
- Quinte Conservation Property



ARMY CADET AND MILITARY USING CONSERVATION AREAS

DATE: MAY 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

**SUBMITTED BY: BRAD MCNEVIN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Quinte Conservation owns 23 Conservation Areas that are open to the public. They are open daily from dawn until dusk. We are experiencing an increase in the use of our Conservation Areas for a variety of different types of activities. Currently, the only Conservation Areas with admission fees are Depot Lakes and O'Hara Mill. As of September 1st, 2018 paid parking took effect in 13 conservation areas. All parking fees go to support ongoing maintenance at conservation areas. Our website explains some of the typical uses of our Conservation Areas and the rules that apply.

Specifically,

Weddings and Special Events

*You may hold your small *marriage ceremony or special event (such as family reunions, picnics, or photography sessions) at our Conservation Areas at no extra charge. All of the rules of the Conservation Areas must be followed. Please take your garbage and belongings back with you. Alcohol is not allowed and pets must be leashed. The Conservation Areas are only open from dawn until dusk. Our Conservation Areas are public spaces, so we cannot close off a section of the Conservation Area or restrict the normal usage of other visitors. Please email info@quinteconservation.ca if you have any further questions.*

For weddings and special events at O'Hara Mill Homestead and Conservation Area, please contact info@ohara-mill.org.

**Small marriage ceremonies are permitted at our conservation areas; however, they must adhere to the following:*

- The event cannot disrupt the use of the Conservation Area for the public.*
- Ceremonies that occupy a small area for a short period of time are permitted*
- All decorations, chairs/benches, garbage, or other items used during the ceremony must be removed at the end of your event.*

- *Structures such as party or food tents are not permitted.*
- *Loud music is not permitted.*
- *Alcohol is not permitted.*

Over the past several years, groups of army cadets and military have used our properties for training exercises at no cost. Typically, these groups have a large number of people, many vehicles and essentially take over the property. In discussion with Captain Menegazzo (J35 CTC Coordinator, Cadet Training Centre Trenton, Canadian Armed Forces) they use our property for a variety of training exercises including:

- Tie knots and lashings
- Construct a hootchie style shelter
- Collect drinking water in the field
- Construct a camp craft
- Identify habitats of animals and insects

Currently this group is proposing to use Macaulay Mountain C.A. for a total 14 days on the following dates:

- 02 July to 06 July (staff orientation) 0800hrs to 1700hrs – no overnight, no fires.
- 10 July to 12 July (cadet training) 0800hrs to 1700hrs – no overnight, no fires.
- 24 July to 26 July (cadet training) 0800hrs to 1700hrs – no overnight, no fires.
- 07 Aug to 09 Aug (cadet training) 0800hrs to 1700hrs – no overnight, no fires.

Other similar cadet/military groups use our Beaver Meadows C.A. for similar exercises.

Some staff members have expressed concern over this type of usage. They have attended these properties on weekends for their own recreational pleasure and felt very intimidated by the sheer number of personnel and vehicles. Staff have come up with the following three options for discussion with the Executive Board.

Option 1: Rent the property exclusively to this user group for the dates that they have indicated and provide signage to be posted that the property is closed during this time. The suggested rate would be \$300 per day.

Option 2: Allow the use to continue as it has in the past.

Option 3: Contact all the existing cadet/military groups and let them know that Quinte Conservation will not allow this type of group activity on our properties and encourage them to use federal or provincial crown lands.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

TIME CHANGE FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

DATE: MAY 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

**SUBMITTED BY: BRAD MCNEVIN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Quinte Conservation, for the past several years has scheduled the Executive Board Meeting for the third Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m. At the April 2019 Executive Board Meeting, a request was made by a board member to change the time of the meetings to 2:30 p.m.

Staff have been asked to prepare a staff report and motion to ask for a change in the meeting time.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

THAT, Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meetings be held on the third Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. instead of the currently scheduled time of 3:30 p.m.

QUINTE CONSERVATION HOLIDAY CLOSURE

DATE: MAY 2019 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

**SUBMITTED BY: BRAD MCNEVIN
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

Quinte Conservation historically has been closed between Christmas and New Year's, and the days that weren't statutory holidays were given to staff as paid time off. This started in 1990 when it was presented to the board as a way of compensating staff for below average wages in comparison to the Provincial Standard, and as a way of showing appreciation to staff who are on call all day to answer inquiries from the public and never truly getting a full lunch break. It is also a slow time of year for staff to be off as most municipal services and agencies are closed. This was approved by the board because it was an inexpensive way to compensate for low wages and say thank you to staff.

Up until a few years ago, an annual motion was taken to the board for approval. In 2017 the board approved a motion to update the Personnel Policy to reflect the closure between Christmas day and New Year's. Currently, the personnel policy reads:

- In addition, Authority operations will be closed for whatever business days remain between Christmas Day and New Year's Day which are not designated as Statutory Holidays.

When read it is unclear if the days off are paid or unpaid, and left some asking if they are required to use vacation or OT. We are proposing that under section 10 of the Personnel Policy (Statutory Holidays), it be rewritten to leave out any doubt as to how this time is used.

Proposed Change:

- In addition, Authority operations will be closed for whatever business days remain between Christmas Day and New Year's Day which are not designated as Statutory Holidays. The Authority will compensate the days off that are not statutory Holidays.

This year staff would be receiving three days of paid time off between Christmas and New Year's. By providing this compensation to staff it will not only continue to provide the promotion of a healthy work-life balance, but it will boost staff morale and show staff that Quinte Conservation values their hard work. This will contribute to employee engagement and retention and can help reduce stress and enhance fulfillment in staff.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

THAT, The Personnel Policy is changed to state under Section 10 that, 'In addition, Authority operations will be closed for whatever business days remain between Christmas Day and New Year's Day which are not designated as Statutory Holidays and the Authority will compensate staff time off for these days.'

WATERSHED REGULATIONS (O.REG. 319/09) POLICY MANUAL UPDATE

DATE: MAY 9, 2019

SUBMITTED BY:
SHARLENE RICHARDSON: REGULATIONS OFFICER

BACKGROUND

The Watershed Regulations (O.Reg. 319/09) Policy Manual (the manual) is the guiding document used by regulations staff to review applications for development and issue permits under the legislative authority of Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*. The manual was first created in 2005 and until 2009 had regular, albeit minor, updates. In following Provincial direction for a more transparent and accountable permitting program staff have prepared an update to the manual for approval by the Board of Directors.

In 2008 Conservation Ontario (CO), the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) and the Section 28 Peer Review and Implementation Committee released the *Draft Guidelines to Support Conservation Authority Administration of the "Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation"*. The guidelines state that:

"The Draft Guideline deals specifically with Conservation Authorities' regulatory role under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* and is organized according to the regulated areas/features: River or Stream Valleys; Great Lakes and Large Inland Lakes Shorelines; Hazardous Lands (Unstable Soil and Unstable Bedrock); Watercourses; and Wetlands. In general each section provides:

- the relevant excerpts from the individual CA regulations;
- a discussion of the functions of the regulated area/feature with a description of how the hazard is defined (where applicable); and,
- suggested policy guidelines for implementing the individual CA Regulations."

While the current manual has policies that mirror those of the proposed manual, the format and discussion of various regulated features is different. It is important to note however, that while the proposed manual may appear more substantive than the existing one, **none of the current policies have changed or have been revised to be more or less restrictive. The existing policies have been modified in terms of their format within the document but not with regards to their intent.** The proposed manual uses the Draft Guidelines template as a backbone and incorporates all of the existing policies into a more thorough and robust document.

In addition, through this exercise the area that we regulate around specific features has been updated following the *Guidelines for Developing Schedules of Regulated Areas, October 2005*. **The updates are minor in nature and now include erosion and dynamic beach hazards around Lake Ontario in addition to flood hazards which have always been included.** As mentioned previously, this update does not impose further restrictions on properties affected by this change.

To ensure a consistent standard of policies across the Province, in addition to the CO/MNRF Draft Guidelines, the policy manuals of several other conservation authorities were consulted during the preparation of the draft manual including Cataraqui Region, Crowe Valley, Kawartha, Nottawasaga Valley, Lower Trent, Otonabee and Toronto and Region. The proposed manual maintains the transparency of our regulatory program and ensures that we are harmonious with other conservation authorities with regards to implementation of our legislation and the decisions that staff make on individual applications for development.

Due to its size (over 200 pages) the draft manual has not been included as part of this package however it is available upon request.

RECOMMENDED MOTION

That:

- The Draft Watershed Regulations (O.Reg. 319/09) Policy Manual (March 2019) be approved for the use by regulations staff to carry out their duties including, but not limited to: providing guidance to the general public and landowners, reviewing applications for development within regulated areas, and ensuring consistency between staff.
- Further, due to the size of the document, that staff be permitted to make minor formatting and grammatical updates to the manual on an as needed basis without formal approval from the Board. Any updates that result in a change or alteration to the intent of an existing policy or the creation of a new policy will require Board approval.

