

CATFISH CREEK CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Mission Statement

*"To communicate and deliver resource management services and programs
in order to achieve social and ecological harmony for the watershed"*

Meeting of the Full Authority is to be held in the CCCA Boardroom
on Thursday, May 10th, 2018, commencing at **10:00 a.m.**

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- 12) Notice of Motions / New Business
- 13) Correspondence:
- a) Copied:
 - Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs - a letter from Minister Jeff Leal thanking the CCCA for contributing to the development of the final Agricultural Soil Health and Conservation Strategy.
 - Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport - a letter from Minister Daiene Vernile regarding the Celebrate Ontario 2018 Program and the Springwater Outdoor Music Festival's application.
 - Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry - a letter informing the CCCA that its Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECl) Program application was unsuccessful this year in the selection of projects.
 - Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport - notice that our Active Naturally initiative has been approved for funding in the amount of up to \$52,950.00.
 - b) Not Copied:
 - Correspondence Register for April, 2018.
- 14) Committee of the Whole
- 15) Next Meeting / Adjournment

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CATFISH CREEK CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

Thursday, April 12th, 2018

Meeting #03/2018

PRESENT:

Rick Cerna	Chairperson	Township of Malahide
Mark Tinlin	Vice-Chairperson	City of St. Thomas
Sally Martyn	Member	Municipality of Central Elgin
Arthur Oslach	Member	Town of Aylmer
David Mayberry	Member	Township of South - West Oxford

STAFF:

Kim Smale	General Manager / Secretary – Treasurer
Tony Difazio	Resource Planning Coordinator
Peter Dragunas	Water Management Technician
Dusty Underhill	Conservation Areas Supervisor
Tiffany Kalita - Guay	Program Support Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Stan & Karen Jones	Lake Erie North Shore Landowners Association
Craig Bradford	Reporter, The Aylmer Express

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Cerna welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at (10:00 a.m.).

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Motion # 33/2018 S. Martyn D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Agenda for the April 12th, 2018, Full Authority meeting be adopted as circulated.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

No one had a pecuniary interest to disclose at this time.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO AUDIO / VIDEO RECORD MEETING:

The Chairperson asked for disclosures of intentions to audio or video record the meeting. No one indicated any such intentions at this time.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

Motion # 34/2018 A. Oslach D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Minutes of Full Authority meeting # 02/2018 (March 22, 2018), be accepted as circulated.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

No one reported any outstanding business to discuss from the previous Minutes.

PUBLIC / SPECIAL DELEGATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Report FA 15/2018 – Monthly Staff Reports, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 35/2018 A. Oslach S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, Staff Reports for the month March, 2018, be noted and filed.

Report FA 16/2018 – March Summary of Revenue and Expenditures, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 36/2018 D. Mayberry A. Oslach CARRIED

THAT, Report FA 16/2018, be noted and filed.

Report FA 17/2018 – Accounts Payable, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 37/2018 S. Martyn A. Oslach CARRIED

THAT, Accounts Payable totaling \$19,700.46, be approved for payment as presented in Report FA 17/2018.

Report FA 18/2018 – Approved Section 28 Regulation Applications, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 38/2018 D. Mayberry S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Full Authority receive the staff approved Section 28 Regulation Applications Report FA 18/2018, as information.

Report FA 19/2018 – PGMN Partnership Agreement, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 39/2018 M. Tinlin A. Oslach CARRIED

THAT, the Full Authority endorse the new Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network Program Partnership Agreement attached to Report FA 19/2018.

Report FA 20/2018 – Canada – Ontario Lake Erie Action Plan , was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion # 40/2018 S. Martyn M. Tinlin CARRIED

THAT, Report FA 20/2018, be received as information at this time.

GENERAL MANAGER / SECRETARY - TREASURER'S REPORT:

a) Managed Forest Plan Approver's Workshop:

The General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer attended the Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program Plan Approver's Workshop in Guelph on March 26th, 2018. Attendance is mandatory in order to maintain your certification as an active Managed Forest Plan Approver for the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

b) Enabling Accessibility in Communities Fund:

The CCCA has received a \$50,000.00 grant from Employment and Social Development Canada through the Enabling Accessibility in Communities Fund for the Springwater Community Room Accessibility Project. The proposed project will improve the accessibility and safety of an existing building to accommodate people with disabilities from the community.

c) Land Stewardship and Habitat Restoration Program:

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) has approved \$ 20,000.00 for the Catfish Creek Habitat Restoration Project through the above noted initiative. Seventy – one applications were received by MNR with only 26 receiving funding.

d) Funding for Conservation Authorities:

On March 28th, the General Manager of Conservation Ontario participated in the Provincial's Budget Lock – up session that allows stakeholders the opportunity to have a sneak peek at the 2018 – 19 Provincial Budget prior to the Minister of Finance reading it at 4:00 pm that same day. She reported that there was no funding identified for Conservation Authorities despite the numerous advocacy efforts including participation in the pre – budget consultations, meetings with Ministers, MPP's, political and bureaucratic staff as well as a letter to the Premier on the heels of the floods in the Grand and Lower Thames watersheds.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

CHAIRPERSON'S / BOARD MEMBER'S REPORT:

Member Oslach noted that he had recently attended a presentation at the East Elgin Secondary School to help celebrate the Environmental Leadership Program winning the \$20,000.00 prize of the annual Superpower Your School contest funded by Staples.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS / NEW BUSINESS:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

a) Copied:

- None

b) Not Copied:

- Correspondence Register for March, 2018.

Motion # 41/2018 D. Mayberry S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Correspondence Register for March, 2018, be noted and filed.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

There were no personnel, property, or legal matters to be discussed in the Committee of the Whole.

NEXT MEETING / ADJOURNMENT:

The next meeting of the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority will be held on Thursday, May 10th, 2018, commencing at (10:00 a.m.).

Motion # 42/2018 S. Martyn M. Tinlin CARRIED

THAT, the Full Authority be adjourned at (10:34 a.m.).

General Manager / Secretary –Treasurer

Authority Chairperson

**Minutes Of The Meeting Of The Catfish Creek Conservation Authority
Interview Committee**

Friday, April 27th, 2018

Meeting # IC 02/2018

PRESENT:

Sally Martyn Committee Member Municipality of Central Elgin

STAFF:

Susan Simmons Financial Services Coordinator
Dusty Underhill Conservation Areas Supervisor
Tiffany Kalita-Guay Program Support Assistant

The meeting was called to order at (9:00 a.m.).

Disclosure Of Pecuniary Interest:

No one had a pecuniary interest to disclose at this time.

The purpose of the meeting was to interview applicants for the following positions which were advertised in The Aylmer Express newspaper on April 11th, 2018:

- Park Technicians
- Park Technician Assistants
- Gate Attendants
- Visitor Services Coordinator

A total of 21 candidates were contacted to be interviewed for the aforementioned positions.

At the conclusion of the interview process, the Interview Committee selected the following list of names for the 14 available positions.

Park Technician (3)

- Gerrit Kremers
- Rick Scott
- William Vanzanten

Park Technician Assistant (3)

- Josh Vanbesien
- Austin Verbeek
- Mykal Donald

Gate Attendant (7)

- Kelsey Oatman
- Jeremy Gorman
- Angela Walsh
- Paige Chupka
- Nicole Whitcroft
- Jade Green
- Kurtis Raynham
- Serena Vanderwyst (Alternate)

Visitor Services Coordinator (1)

- Cassidy Raynham

The meeting was adjourned at (4:40 p.m.).

Sally Martyn
Committee Member

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CATFISH CREEK CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
LAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Thursday, May 3rd, 2018

Meeting #01/2018

PRESENT:

Arthur Oslach	Committee Chairperson	Town of Aylmer
Sally Martyn	Committee Member	Municipality of Central Elgin
David Mayberry	Committee Member	Township of South - West Oxford
Mark Tinlin	Committee Member	City of St. Thomas
Rick Cerna	Authority Chairperson	Township of Malahide

STAFF:

Kim Smale	General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer
Susan Simmons	Financial Services Coordinator
Dusty Underhill	Conservation Areas Supervisor

WELCOME / CALL TO ORDER:

Committee Chairperson Oslach welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at (10:00 a.m.).

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

The General Manager / Secretary – Treasurer asked for permission to add Report LM 10/2018 – Carleton University Research Request, to the Agenda as item 6(j).

Motion #LMC 01/2018 S. Martyn D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Agenda for the May 3rd, 2018, Land Management Committee meeting be adopted as amended.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

No one had a pecuniary interest to declare at this time.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO AUDIO / VIDEO RECORD MEETING:

The Committee Chairperson asked for disclosures of intentions to audio or video record the meeting. No one indicated any such intentions at this time.

PUBLIC / SPECIAL DELEGATIONS:

None

REPORTS:

Report LM 01/2018 – Maple Syrup Program Summary, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 02/2018 M. Tinlin S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Maple Syrup Financial and Statistical Summary be received as information at this time; and further,

THAT, staff be directed to undertake a detailed operational and financial review of the program in consultation with the Jaffa Environmental Education Centre to determine any efficiencies and improvements for 2019.

Report LM 02/2018 – Elgin Clean Water Program, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 03/2018 D. Mayberry M. Tinlin CARRIED

THAT, Report LM 02/2018, be received as information at this time.

Report LM 03/2018 – Species at Risk Research Request, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 04/2018 S. Martyn D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Land Management Committee recommend to the Full Authority that a Research Permit be issued to Bird Studies Canada to undertake a Species at Risk Research Project on lands owned by the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority.

Report LM 04/2018 – Path of Honour Maintenance Agreement, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 05/2018 M. Tinlin S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Land Management Committee recommend to the Full Authority that the Path of Honour Maintenance Agreement between the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority and the Path of Honour Committee be renewed for a further two (2) year term.

Report LM 05/2018 – Golf Cart Registration Policy, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Some of the members questioned the fee of \$50.00 for electric golf carts and no charge for gas powered carts. The Committee felt that the CCA should be discouraging the use of gas powered carts in the Springwater Conservation Area. It was decided to amend Report LM 05/2018 to include a \$50.00 fee for all registered golf carts.

Motion #LMC 06/2018 M. Tinlin D. Mayberry CARRIED

THAT, the Land Management Committee recommend to the Full Authority that the revisions to the 2018 Golf Cart Registration Policy and the Seasonal Camper Rules and Regulations attached to Report LM 05/2018, be adopted as amended; and further,

THAT, the charge for registered golf carts be a flat fee of \$50.00.

Report LM 06/2018 – Springwater Community Room Accessibility Project, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 07/2018 S. Martyn M. Tinlin CARRIED

THAT, Report LM 06/2018, be received as information at this time.

Report LM 07/2018 – Enforcement Agreement, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 08/2018 M. Tinlin S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, staff be directed to continue the discussions with the Township of Malahide to finalize a Bylaw Enforcement Agreement for lands owned and managed by the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority.

Report LM 08/2018 – Active Naturally Initiative, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 09/2018 D. Mayberry S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the Land Management Committee recommend to the Full Authority that the search for a Project Manager for the Active Naturally initiative commence as soon as possible.

Report LM 09/2018 – University of Guelph Research Request, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 10/2018 M. Tinlin R. Cerna CARRIED

THAT, the Land Management Committee recommend to the Full Authority that a Research Permit be issued to the University of Guelph to undertake a research project at the Hawkins Tract and the Archie Coulter Conservation Area.

Report LM 10/2018 – Carleton University Research Request, was presented, discussed, and resolved.

Motion #LMC 11/2018 M. Tinlin R. Cerna CARRIED

THAT, the Land Management Committee recommend to the Full Authority that a Research Permit be issued to the University of Guelph to undertake a research project at the Yarmouth Natural Heritage Area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON'S / COMMITTEE MEMBER'S REPORT:

Committee Chairperson Oslach mentioned that all printed information provided by the CCCA about its programs and services was distributed at the recent Aylmer and East Elgin Home, Garden and Recreation Show.

Committee Chairperson Martyn questioned the need to have two (2) members present during interviews for summer employment positions. It was suggested that this matter could be reviewed at a future Personnel / Finance Committee meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Copied:
 - None
- b) Not Copied:
 - None

NOTICE OF MOTIONS / NEW BUSINESS:

None

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE:

There were no personnel, property, or legal matters to be discussed in the Committee of the Whole.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion #LMC 12/2018 R. Cerna S. Martyn CARRIED

THAT, the meeting be adjourned at (11:00 a.m.).

General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer

Committee Chairperson

REPORT FA 21 / 2018: To The Full Authority

FROM: Resource Planning Coordinator
Water Management Technician
Conservation Areas Supervisor

SUBJECT: Monthly Staff Reports

DATE: May 1, 2018

Resource Planning Coordinator, Tony Difazio

Current Activities:

- Attended an Elgin Clean Water Program Committee meeting to present stewardship funding applications on behalf of landowners in the CCCA Watershed;
- Delivery of the forestry module for the 2018 Envirothon Competition held at the Springwater Conservation Area;
- Site inspection / monitoring of various projects issued Regulation Permit(s) pursuant to the **Conservation Authorities Act**;

Upcoming Activities:

- Completion of a 'Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program' forest management plan for a landowner in the watershed;
- Review of Regulation Mapping updates;
- Development / Update of Regulation Policies; and,
- Regular duties as assigned.

Water Management Technician, Peter Dragunas

Current Activities:

- Evaluation and needed modifications to the Low Water Response, low water benchmark and threshold criteria to improve early identification of low water threats to support Level 1, 11 and 111 low water condition reporting.
- Permit To Take Water (PTTW) application assistance.
- Final site visits with landowners to discuss / assist with CCCA 2018 Tree Planting Program.
- Administration of the Greening Communities Program for the CCCA completed.
- Administration of the 2018 Malahide Roadside Tree Planting Program completed.
- Catfish Creek Conservation Authority (CCCA) 2018 Tree Planting.

Upcoming Activities:

- 2018 OLWR analysis.
- Regular duties as assigned.

Conservation Areas Supervisor, Dusty Underhill

Current Activities:


- Provided training for the participants of the Southwestern Ontario Regional Envirothon Competition held at the Springwater Conservation Area on May 1st, 2018.
- Stocked the Springwater Pond with Rainbow Trout in preparation for the opening weekend of the 2018 trout fishing season. Thanks to the Order of Good Cheer for their financial support of this annual community event.
- Woodlot management and hazard tree removal on Authority owned lands.
- Participated in the interviews for summer staff held on April 27th, 2018.
- Ongoing training and supervision of students from the Cooperative Education Placement Program.
- Day – to – day operations and maintenance of the various Conservation Areas.

Upcoming Activities:

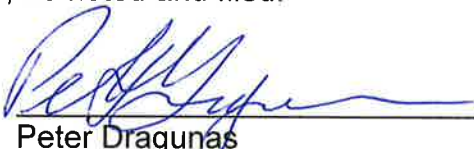
- Hiring and training of new summer staff.
- Preparation for campground and day – use area opening.
- Seasonal Camping officially starts on the Mother's Day Weekend and concludes on the Thanksgiving Day Weekend.
- Victoria Day Weekend Alcohol Restriction will be in effect.
- Regular duties as assigned.

Recommendation:

That, Staff Reports for the month of April, 2018, be noted and filed.



Tony Difazio
Resource Planning Coordinator



Peter Dragunas
Water Management Technician



Dusty Underhill
Conservation Areas Supervisor

REPORT FA 22 / 2018 : To The Full Authority
FROM: Susan Simmons, Financial Services Coordinator
SUBJECT: April Summary of Revenue & Expenditures
DATE: April 30, 2018

SUMMARY OF REVENUE
for the period ending April 30, 2018


	2018 Budget	2018 To Date	Difference	Budget vs 2018 YTD %	2017 To Date
MNRF Provincial Grants	\$ 79,835.00	\$ -	\$ (79,835.00)	0.00%	\$ -
Other Provincial Grants	\$ 61,355.81	\$ 60,641.82	\$ (713.99)	98.84%	\$ 24,340.85
Federal Grants	\$ 23,650.00	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 26,350.00	211.42%	\$ 20,987.10
General Levy	\$ 283,278.96	\$ 270,714.02	\$ (12,564.94)	95.56%	\$ 83,493.71
Special Benefiting Levy	\$ 66,137.88	\$ 7,900.00	\$ (58,237.88)	11.94%	\$ -
Employment Program Grants	\$ 21,000.00	\$ -	\$ (21,000.00)	0.00%	\$ -
Donations/Sponsorships	\$ 31,200.00	\$ 19,504.20	\$ (11,695.80)	62.51%	\$ 36,739.64
Conservation Areas Revenue	\$ 507,500.00	\$ 128,301.92	\$ (379,198.08)	25.28%	\$ 118,177.54
Maple Syrup Revenue	\$ 54,100.00	\$ 65,142.65	\$ 11,042.65	120.41%	\$ 47,111.11
Bank Interest Earned	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 358.10	\$ (3,141.90)	10.23%	\$ -
Information & Education	\$ 6,700.00	\$ -	\$ (6,700.00)	0.00%	\$ -
Legal Inquiries/Permit Applications	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 336.28	\$ (4,663.72)	6.73%	\$ 2,707.96
Trees/Planting/Spraying	\$ 4,250.00	\$ -	\$ (4,250.00)	0.00%	\$ 738.72
Woodlot Management	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 486.73	\$ (513.27)	48.67%	\$ 353.98
Watershed Stewardship Projects	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00		\$ 8,500.00
Water Quality/Quantity Programs	\$ 500.00	\$ -	\$ (500.00)	0.00%	\$ -
Revenue from Other C.A. Lands	\$ 12,680.00	\$ 13,466.37	\$ 786.37	106.20%	\$ 11,140.00
Other Revenue	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -	\$ (4,000.00)	0.00%	\$ 5,491.53
Contract Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Vehicle & Equipment Rental Recoveries	\$ 38,175.00	\$ 6,935.03	\$ (31,239.97)	18.17%	\$ 5,812.93
Previous Year Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 1,169.70	\$ 1,169.70	\$ -	100.00%	\$ (10,490.46)
Income Appropriation from Special Reserves	\$ 30,044.83	\$ -	\$ (30,044.83)		\$ -
Income Appropriation from General Reserves	\$ 88,749.76	\$ -	\$ (88,749.76)		\$ -
	\$ 1,323,826.94	\$ 634,956.82	\$ (688,870.12)	47.96%	\$ 355,104.61

DONATIONS/SPONSORSHIPS	2018 Budget	Received To Date	Difference
Fish Stocking	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Springwater Event Sponsorships	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ (1,000.00)
Annual Report	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 875.00	\$ (375.00)
Environmental Education	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 345.00	\$ (1,155.00)
EESS ELP Sponsorships	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 6,384.80	\$ (1,115.20)
Community Forest	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ (250.00)
Maple Syrup Program	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,600.00	\$ 2,600.00
Springwater Forest Trails	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 2,039.40	\$ (6,960.60)
Archie Coulter C.A. Trails	\$ 700.00	\$ 200.00	\$ (500.00)
YNHA	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00
Springwater C.A. Development	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ (1,500.00)
Ontario Police College Path of Honour	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ (1,500.00)
TOTAL Donations/Sponsorships	\$ 31,200.00	\$ 19,504.20	\$ (11,695.80)

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

for the period ending April 30, 2018

	2018 Budget	2018 To Date	Difference	Budget vs 2018 YTD %	2017 To Date
ADMINISTRATION					
A-1 Wages & Benefits	\$ 96,050.23	\$ 34,558.84	\$ 61,491.39	35.98%	\$ 33,918.17
A-2 Travel Exp. & Allow.	\$ 9,030.75	\$ 389.48	\$ 8,641.27	4.31%	\$ 214.10
A-3 Equip. Purchase & Rental	\$ 9,225.00	\$ 4,145.19	\$ 5,079.81	44.93%	\$ 2,826.38
A-4 Materials & Supplies	\$ 4,350.00	\$ 2,031.57	\$ 2,318.43	46.70%	\$ 889.08
A-5 Rent & Utilities	\$ 15,274.64	\$ 2,930.65	\$ 12,343.99	19.19%	\$ 3,589.24
A-6 General Expenses	\$ 40,286.00	\$ 24,645.55	\$ 15,640.45	61.18%	\$ 23,358.66
TOTAL	\$ 174,216.62	\$ 68,701.28	\$ 105,515.34	39.43%	\$ 64,795.63
FLOOD FORECASTING & WARNING					
F4-2 Flood Control Structures	\$ 11,558.29	\$ 3,737.77	\$ 7,820.52	32.34%	\$ 4,281.43
F4-4 Flood Forecasting & Warning	\$ 160,877.33	\$ 60,557.86	\$ 100,319.47	37.64%	\$ 54,352.86
F4-5 Ice Management	\$ 65,887.88	\$ 20,472.06	\$ 45,415.82	31.07%	\$ 71,834.67
F4-6 Plan Input	\$ 35,863.55	\$ 14,330.91	\$ 21,532.64	39.96%	\$ 12,347.24
F4-71 Watershed Planning	\$ 11,277.73	\$ 3,793.73	\$ 7,484.00	33.64%	\$ 4,457.26
F4-72 Technical Studies (GIS)	\$ 13,345.09	\$ 10,106.80	\$ 3,238.29	75.73%	\$ 2,731.15
TOTAL	\$ 298,809.87	\$ 112,999.13	\$ 185,810.74	37.82%	\$ 150,004.61
OTHER PROGRAM AREAS					
B-1 Information & Education	\$ 35,639.80	\$ 3,317.18	\$ 32,322.62	9.31%	\$ 6,309.58
E-1 Extension Services - Tree Planting	\$ 34,861.84	\$ 7,586.75	\$ 27,275.09	21.76%	\$ 21,216.19
Community Forest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
E-1 Extension Services - Woodlot Management	\$ 6,826.99	\$ 1,968.73	\$ 4,858.26	28.84%	\$ 1,961.64
E-1 Extension Services - Watershed Stewardship	\$ 33,435.34	\$ 4,486.51	\$ 28,948.83	13.42%	\$ 21,298.10
E4-1 Fish & Wildlife Habitat	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 110,763.97	\$ 17,359.17	\$ 93,404.80	15.67%	\$ 50,785.51
CAPITAL & SPECIAL PROJECTS					
Water Management Programs	\$ 24,855.81	\$ 3,928.71	\$ 20,927.10	15.81%	\$ 7,731.85
Springwater C.A. Development	\$ 23,546.16	\$ -	\$ 23,546.16	0.00%	\$ 383.96
Special Projects	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	0.00%	\$ 824.04
TOTAL	\$ 51,401.97	\$ 3,928.71	\$ 47,473.26	7.64%	\$ 8,939.85
CONSERVATION AUTHORITY LANDS					
Springwater Operation & Maint	\$ 519,792.63	\$ 82,782.11	\$ 437,010.52	15.93%	\$ 92,667.05
Vehicle & Equipment Pool Exp.	\$ 44,330.00	\$ 15,753.42	\$ 28,576.58	35.54%	\$ 11,372.82
Maple Syrup	\$ 60,100.00	\$ 61,993.71	\$ (1,893.71)	103.15%	\$ 48,265.23
Other C.A. Lands	\$ 64,411.88	\$ 8,104.69	\$ 56,307.19	12.58%	\$ 10,922.47
TOTAL	\$ 688,634.51	\$ 168,633.93	\$ 520,000.58	24.49%	\$ 163,227.57
APPROPRIATION TO GENERAL RESERVES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
APPROPRIATION TO SPECIAL RESERVES	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,323,826.94	\$ 371,622.22	\$ 952,204.72	28.07%	\$ 437,753.17



 Susan Simmons,
 Financial Services Coordinator

REPORT FA 23 / 2018 : TO THE FULL AUTHORITY

FROM: Susan Simmons, Financial Services Coordinator
 SUBJECT: Accounts Payable
 DATE: May 4, 2018

VENDOR	CHQ #	TOTAL	EXPLANATION
Hydro One payroll April 17 (28165-28176)	28164	43.44	gauge
Eastlink	28177	1,241.43	phone, fax line, gauges, & internet
Hydro One	28178	30.31	gauge
Telus Mobility payroll April 30 (28180-28188)	28179	99.47	mobile phones
Hydro One	28189	1,300.45	campground, admin centre & gauges
A&J Baertsoen	28190	84.75	equipment maintenance
ALS Canada Ltd.	28191	76.84	campground maintenance
APC Auto Parts Centres	28192	3.46	equipment maintenance
Aylmer Express Limited	28193	439.00	subscription, business cards, advertising (MS & trees)
Aylmer Home Hardware	28194	135.69	campground supplies & office maintenance
Bell Canada	28195	88.07	gauge
Bergen, David	28196	100.00	seasonal camping refund
Canadian Tire	28197	161.55	campground & tree planting supplies
CBSC Capital Inc.	28198	701.54	photo copier lease
Dale Equipment Centre	28199	367.70	equipment maintenance
Delta Power Equipment Ltd.	28200	331.72	equipment maintenance
Dowler Karn Propane Ltd.	28201	100.66	shop heat fuel
Dulux - PPG AC Canada Inc.	28202	168.21	campground maintenance
Eicher, Leroy & Sarah	28203	357.08	equipment maintenance
Farmer, Audrey	28204	100.00	seasonal camping refund
Francotyp-Postalia Canada	28205	198.32	postage metre rental
Frank's Maintenance Products	28206	1,765.92	campground supplies
Glenbriar Bottled Water Co. Ltd.	28207	51.04	water cooler service
Hamilton, Ward, & Cathers Insurance	28208	11,231.39	installment 1 of 3 : general insurance premiums
Hydro One	28209	30.26	gauge
Jury, David	28210	527.10	computer network support
McArthur, Judy	28211	100.00	seasonal camping refund
Mimosa Springs Rainbow Trout Farm	28212	1,000.00	Rainbow Trout (fish stocking in Springwater Pond)
Molly Maid	28213	158.00	administration centre cleaning service
Postmedia Network Inc.	28214	254.25	advertising for Springwater
Purolator Courier	28215	81.82	courier fees
Rehlinger, Brian	28216	50.00	seasonal camping refund
Secord Home Building Centre	28217	692.52	YNHA maintenance
TSC Stores L.P.	28218	169.49	campground supplies
Universal Field Supplies	28219	806.54	equipment purchase (back pack fire pumps)
Canadian TODS Limited	28220	271.20	campground maintenance
Elgin Pure Water	28221	282.77	campground maintenance
McBain Signs & Graphic Design	28223	3,186.60	signage for YNHA trails project and other CA's
Hydro One	28224	43.20	gauge

\$ 26,831.79

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, Accounts Payable totalling \$26,831.79 , be approved for payment as presented in Report FA 23 / 2018.

Susan Simmons,
 Financial Services Coordinator

REPORT FA 24 / 2018 : To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT: Conservation Authorities Act Review

DATE: May 3, 2018

PURPOSE:

To provide the members with an update on the status of the changes to the Conservation Authorities Act.

DISCUSSION:

The attached report prepared by the General Manager of Conservation Ontario provided an excellent overview and summary of Bill 139 - the Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act.

The attached information describes many of the implementation activities which are currently being developed and coordinated through Conservation Ontario to address the changes to the Act.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, Report FA 24 / 2018, be received as information at this time.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer



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Conservation Ontario will be the leader in engaging Conservation Authorities in matters of common interest and in shaping effective policy related to Conservation Authorities

Conservation Ontario Council Report

From: Kim Gavine, General Manager and Bonnie Fox, Policy and Planning Manager

Date: April 3, 2018

Subject: *Conservation Authorities Act* Review and Implementation

Summary

Bill 139 – the *Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act* received royal assent on December 12th. There are a number of initiatives taking place to support modernization of the *Conservation Authorities Act* including, a new Memorandum of Cooperation between Conservation Ontario and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, the creation of a Service Delivery Review Committee, and actions enabled through a MNRF transfer payment including, training of CAs' Provincial Offences Officers and the creation of a CA Administrative By-Law Model.

Recommendation

THAT Conservation Ontario Council receives this report as information.

Background

We all exhaled on December 12th, when Bill 139 was finally passed. After many years of preparation and much debate during the readings, Bill 139 finally saw passage with unanimous support...merely two days before the house rose for break in December.

The passage of the Act represents more than five years of work for the Conservation Ontario office. One could possibly argue longer given previous attempts to have changes made e.g. Blueprint for Success. Whether precipitated by the delivery of CO's Whitepaper at the end of 2012 or the severe storm that took place in MPP Eleanor McMahon's riding of Burlington in 2013 or the persistent badgering from CO staff at all levels of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), the changes to Ontario's Conservation Authorities Act are welcomed and will help us collectively deal with some of the ongoing challenges facing our watersheds. Although much work has already taken place, even more time and hard work will be required to see some of the changes through to fruition.

While some changes did come into effect upon proclamation, many of the changes in the Act are enabling and will require the development of regulations.

Changes which were effective upon Royal Assent include:

- Changes clarifying board member appointments
- Changes clarifying expectations for conservation authority restructuring decisions
- Changes requiring the establishment of new administrative by-laws within one year (see Administrative By-laws report in council package)
- Changes enabling the MNRF to conduct program and operational reviews
- Changes clarifying the role of conservation authorities

The document, *Conserving our Future – A Modernized Conservation Authorities Act* is the document that sets the framework for the changes to the Act as follows: strengthening oversight and accountability, increasing clarity and consistency in programs and services, increasing consistency in regulatory requirements, enhancing collaboration and engagement and modernizing funding mechanisms.

Many of the recommendations included in the *Conserving our Future* document are being implemented to varying degrees including for example, the creation of a multi-ministry working group which could identify additional areas where mandated programs and services could be developed to support other areas of Provincial interest, the development of a Memorandum of Cooperation between Conservation Ontario and the MNRF, the development of best management practices to be used by conservation authorities in updating their administrative by-laws, and the development of a multi-stakeholder Service Delivery Review Committee to advise the ministry on ways to improve the establishment, tracking and achievement of service delivery standards, and other roles as assigned.

Current Status

Memorandum of Cooperation

A draft Memorandum of Understanding (Cooperation) was presented to CO council at the December 2017 meeting. The intent of the Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) is to develop a high level document that incorporates a collaborative and consultation focus while at the same time providing a framework for a new business relationship with the MNRF. Amendments were recommended by Council and a revised version (see attached) was sent to the membership for a decision on March 9th. Council voted unanimously to support the MOC. At this time, arrangements are being made with the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry to have the MOC signed the morning of CO's Queen's Park Day. The signing of this document represents a significant milestone for both CO and the Province. Like the agreement between the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, this agreement will increase coordination and collaboration between CAs and the Province, support and promote a seamlessly productive working relationship between the Province and CO and foster a long-term relationship between the Parties that results in effective resource management on a watershed basis.

Service Delivery Review Committee (SDRC)

The creation of the Service Delivery Review Committee was an action supported by the CO collective.

The purpose of the SDRC is to advise the MNRF on strategies for improvements and other considerations relating to the effective and efficient delivery of conservation authority programs and services. The committee is chaired by Jason Travers (Director, MNRF) and membership is comprised of staff from CO, CAs, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, City of Toronto, the Ontario Home

Builder's Association, the Building Industry and Land Development Association, Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario, the Ontario Federation of Agriculture, the Regional Planning Commissioners of Ontario, and the ministries of Natural Resources and Forestry, Environment and Climate Change, and, Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. Conservation authorities represented (and previously endorsed by CO Council) include: B.Taylor (NBMCA) Lead, T.Cook (LRCA) Alternate, R.Wyma (ERCA) Lead, I.Wilcox (UTRCA) Alternate, D.Marinigh (ORCA) Lead, P.Lehman(MissVCA) Alternate, C.Darling (CLOCA) Lead, D.Martin-Downs (Alternate), H.Bassit (CH) Lead, C.Woodland (TRCA) Alternate; K.Gavine (CO) Lead, and B.Fox (CO) Alternate. The committee has met a total of five times and has identified the following approved 5 priorities and frame of reference for discussions:

1. Program Regulations
 - a) Hazard Management
 - b) Plan Review
2. Development and Interference Regulations
3. Policies and Procedures for use of MOUs
4. Training and Outreach – *note the group indicated this could occur later in the process*
5. Policies and Procedures for use of Fees

Cross-cutting themes:

- Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation
- Performance measurement

Topics to keep in touch with:

- Wetland Conservation
- Additional/future prescribed programs
- Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation
- Additional/ future regulated activities (S.28.5)

Other areas of discussion:

- Municipal Levies
- Provincial Funding

Recognizing that there are a lot of technical details to work through to achieve the priorities, three sub-committees have been created for two of the above-identified priorities, including 1 Program Regulations: a) hazard management, 1b) plan review, and, 2) development and interference regulation. Backgrounders and Terms of Reference have been created for each sub-committee and all should be finalized at the next SDRC meeting scheduled for April 19. The sub-committees will be providing feedback and information to the SDRC for discussion at the monthly meetings. Additional details will be brought to the June Council meeting.

MNRF Transfer Payment and Deliverables

Last year, CO entered into a Transfer Payment with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry to deliver on a number of items that would support the implementation of recommended changes to the Conservation Authorities Act framework resulting from the Conservation Authorities Act review.

Administrative By-laws

The updating of CA Administrative By-laws within one year of royal assent is a requirement under the new Conservation Authorities Act. Keith Murch, formerly of the Grand River Conservation Authority, was retained to complete a model by-law that can be used by all CAs and to provide training. A

Conservation Authority Best Management Practices (BMP) and Administrative By-Law Model is now complete and CO Council endorsement is being sought. See the council report included as part of this agenda re: *Conservation Authorities Act Implementation: Conservation Authority Best Management Practices (BMPs) and Administrative By-Law Model* and Training Plan for details.

Development of Memorandum of Cooperation

Contract staff were hired to support the development of a draft Memorandum of Cooperation. As referenced above, this MOC has now been approved by both CO Council and the MNRF and will be signed by the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry on April 17th.

Climate Change Survey

Through a letter of agreement, the Ontario Centre for Climate Impacts and Adaptation Resources was contracted by CO to build on previous surveys conducted by CO to produce a report.

Conservation Authority Statistics

Data collection for 2017 has been completed. Adjustments and improvements are being made to the survey in preparation for the collection of 2018 data. These improvements include; digitizing and posting past CA survey results online; making year-end report packages available on the survey site for download; and designing and building a customized data export reporting function that will query the survey results for a selected year and produce them in an open format.

Provincial Offences Officer Training and Conservation Authorities University

CO has developed an advanced officer training program to complement and enhance the skills established through the Level 1 foundations training course. Through this transfer payment, CO hosted 5 out of 7 training workshops including Inspections vs Investigation & Conflict Resolution, Interview Techniques, Court Experience: Documents and Proceedings, Search Warrants, and Report Writing & Notes. It further supported training expenses for delivery of the Level 1 foundations training course for CAs' Provincial Offences Officers. As well, the transfer payment allowed CO staff to work with its CA University Committee to make amendments to the curriculum based on changes to the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure Program Database

Improvements to the WECl database were enabled including adding new fields, creating a sequential numbering system, cleaning up unnecessary users, duplicating user credentials and withdrawn projects and improving flags for structure scores. These improvements will increase database security, stability and save the committee time in reviewing the applications in the future.

We would like to thank all those CAs who either provided staff expertise and input and/or participated in many of the deliverables.

Conclusion

The work involved in the passage of the new Conservation Authorities Act has been enormous. We'd like to thank all the conservation authorities for their contributions during the review and look forward to working with them over the next phase.

REPORT FA 25 / 2018 : To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT: Conservation Ontario Council Meeting

DATE: May 3, 2018

PURPOSE:

To update the members on the business items discussed at the Conservation Ontario Council meeting.

DISCUSSION:

The Conservation Ontario Annual General Meeting was held at the Black Creek Pioneer Village on April 16th, 2018. Some of the highlights of that meeting include:

a) Election of Officers:

Chairperson	Don MacIver, Credit Valley C.A.
Vice - Chairperson	Mark Burnham, Mississippi Valley C.A.
Vice - Chairperson	Lin Gibson, Nickel District C.A.
Staff Director	Linda Laliberte, Ganaraska Region C.A.
Staff Director	Richard Wyma, Essex Region C.A.
Council Director	Geoffrey Dawe, Lake Simcoe Region C.A.

b) Annual Report / Financial Statements:

Both documents were presented to Council for approval and are available online for reference.

c) 2018 Special Projects:

- A.D. Latornell Symposium
- Source Water Protection
- Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network
- Enterprise GIS Software Maintenance Program
- Environment Connections Website Development
- Ontario Benthos Biomonitoring Network Training
- MNRF CA Act Review Implementation


d) Memorandum Of Cooperation:

On April 17, 2018, the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and the Chairperson of Conservation Ontario signed the attached Memorandum Of Cooperation (MOC) to formalize the long - standing partnership between the Province and Conservation Authorities to consult and collaborate with each other more closely for effective natural resource management.

The MOC is one of a number of initiatives which evolved from the Conservation Authorities Act Review.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, the information outlined in Report FA 25 / 2018, be noted and filed.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION (MOC)
(April 17, 2018)

BETWEEN:

CONSERVATION ONTARIO (“CO”)

AND

**HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN AS REPRESENTED BY THE
MINISTER OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND FORESTRY FOR ONTARIO
 (“the Province”)**

(together referred to as “the Parties”)

WHEREAS Conservation authorities (CAs) have played a significant role in Ontario's natural resource management landscape for over 70 years, establishing a successful legacy of resource stewardship and an impressive record of protecting people, property, and communities from water-related natural hazards.

CAs hold a wealth of expertise and local information regarding the conservation, restoration, development and management of natural resources that is important in the implementation of shared priorities with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) and play a key role in supporting the conservation, restoration and responsible management of natural resources on a watershed basis.

Given CAs deliver a number of programs and services on behalf of various provincial ministries, it is critical that the various ministries that work directly with CAs are also working with each other to explore and better define expectations for provincially-delegated roles and responsibilities to ensure that they are being assigned to CAs in a coordinated matter.

MNR administers the *Conservation Authorities Act* which sets out the legislative framework for the establishment and operation of CAs in Ontario.

Since 1980, CO has represented all of Ontario's 36 CAs and has proven to be the partner of choice to promote and continually strengthen watershed-based conservation in Ontario.

The 2012 Commission on the Reform of Ontario's Public Service's Report (i.e., the Drummond Report) made various recommendations to ensure effective and efficient resource and environmental management delivery, and in particular noted overlap between CAs, municipalities, and the Province.

In 2017, 'Conserving Our Future: A Modernized Conservation Authorities Act' was released as part of the *Conservation Authorities Act Review* and outlines establishing an MOC to increase coordination between CAs and the Province.

The Province and CO have shared aspirations of promoting a watershed approach to provide for the organization and delivery of programs and services that further the conservation, restoration, development and management of natural resources.

CAs play an important role in delivering programs and services on behalf of the Province and their participating municipalities. The *Conservation Authorities Act* provides CAs with the ability to develop their own suite of programs and services tailored to their own individual authority and its local needs. This diversity and flexibility is important while still working to promote consistency, where possible.

Science based, watershed-based programs and services that CAs provide will be increasingly required in the face of climate change and the resulting vulnerabilities to biodiversity and natural resources in Ontario.

Issues in natural resource conservation and management within Ontario's watershed is complex and involves many organizations and levels of governments. In responding to these issues, ensuring coordination and alignment of responses by both parties is important.

As such, the Parties wish to continue to work together in a relationship of respect, ongoing consultation and cooperation on matters of mutual interest through this MOC. These parties desire to exchange input on broad policy and program matters of common interest, and to identify potential implications that could arise from proposed changes in legislation, regulations, Conservation Ontario resolutions, policies, and programs.

NOW THEREFORE the Parties agree as follows:

1. PURPOSE

The Province and CO share a common interest in maintaining a strong relationship that enables the Parties to work in a collaborative and coordinated fashion. The purpose of this MOC is to:

- a. Establish a framework to guide the Province and CO in consultation, and collaboration;
- b. support and promote a seamlessly productive working relationship between the Province and CO, and
- c. foster a long-term relationship between the Parties that results in effective resource management on a watershed basis.

2. PRINCIPLES

The Province and CAs are best served when the Province and CO observe the following principles:

- a. Respect for each other's mandate and authority and acknowledgement of each other's interests
- b. Responsiveness, collaboration and collective support on shared policy matters and/or other matters of mutual interest
- c. Shared commitment to consult with one another on matters described in this MOC, and in particular, with regard to potential financial implications to CAs
- d. An effort to sustain trust and a commitment to achieve success to further strengthen the relationship between the Province and CO

3. RESPONSIBILITIES

The Province acknowledges that CO should be consulted in a timely and transparent manner when considering new, or changes to, legislation, regulations, policies or programs that may affect CA programs and services.

The Province will consult CO early in the development process on:

- a. Any proposal (e.g., regulatory, policy, program) that in the Province's opinion may impact (e.g., financial, policy) on a CA.
- b. Broad policy matters where in the opinion of the Province, the Province and CO may have mutual interests.
- c. Initiatives that the Province may be involved with other governments, and/or with stakeholders, where the Province deems it appropriate.

CO acknowledges that the Province should be consulted in a timely and transparent manner respecting changes to or issues arising from the manner in which CAs deliver provincially-mandated programs on behalf of the Province.

CO will consult the Province early in the development process on:

- a. Any proposal (e.g., policy, program) that in CO's opinion, may have an impact (e.g., financial, policy) on the Province.
- b. Broad policy matters where, in the opinion of CO, the Province and CO may have mutual interests.
- c. Initiatives that CO may be involved in with other governments or with its members, where CO deems it appropriate.

4. INFORMATION SHARING

The Parties shall cooperate in the development and distribution of information required for effective implementation of this MOC. Confidentiality of information will be respected, as described in Section 11 of this MOC.

5. IMPLEMENTATION

- a. Each Party will determine the most appropriate method of consultation with the other depending on the nature of the subject matter.
- b. The Parties will work together to identify any appropriate mechanisms as may be required to implement this MOC.
- c. Where necessary or desirable, the Parties may arrange separate agreements to carry out specific activities or responsibilities under this agreement.
- d. The Province will endeavour to arrange for representatives of ministries other than the MNRF to participate in relevant discussions or consultations as appropriate.
- e. CO will endeavour to arrange for representatives of CAs to participate in relevant discussions or consultations, as appropriate.
- f. Each Party acknowledges that any activities (e.g., meetings and travel expenses) engaged in under this MOC will be done so at its own expense.

For greater clarity, nothing in this MOC precludes the Province from conducting other consultations directly with CAs or CO from working with other Ontario government ministries or other levels of government.

6. ADMINISTRATION OF THE MOC

The lead contacts for administering this Memorandum:

For the Province:

Director, Natural Resources Conservation Policy Branch at MNRF as the designate of the MNRF; and

For CO:

General Manager of CO

or such other contacts as may be identified in writing by the respective Party

7. MEETINGS

Meetings can be requested by either Party at the convenience of the other Party. Participants at the meeting may include senior representatives from each Party.

The scheduling of the meetings, including their frequency, location, timing and identity of participants, is to be mutually agreed to by the Parties, along with prior approval of the meeting agenda. In developing a meeting agenda, CO may suggest specific priority issues, proposed policy, and legislative initiatives for discussion.

In advance of any meeting, the Province can request inclusion of CA representatives beyond the membership of CO staff. CO can request inclusion of provincial representatives in addition to staff of MNRF which both Parties shall endeavour to accommodate.

8. ANNUAL STATEMENT

Over the term of the Memorandum, the Parties will provide a joint annual communication statement regarding the MOC. The content and format of the communication statement must be agreed upon by both Parties. The Statement must be provided to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry and the Chair of Conservation Ontario

9. FAILURE TO COMPLY

Failure of the Parties to comply with this MOC does not affect the validity of any action taken by the Parties or give rise to any rights or remedies by the Parties.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

For the purposes of this section, "confidential information" means all information or material of the Province and CO that is of a proprietary or confidential nature, regardless whether it is identified as proprietary or confidential or not.

The Parties shall treat as confidential and safeguard, either during or after the term of this MOC, any confidential information acquired by or produced through the performance of this MOC and shall not use or disclose to any person, either directly or indirectly, any such information without first obtaining the written permission of the other party, unless otherwise required by law.

CO understands and agrees that this MOC and any materials or information provided to the Province under this MOC are governed by the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (R.S.O. 1990, c.F.31) and may be subject to disclosure under that Act.

For greater clarity, nothing in this MOC affects the application or operation of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

11. DURATION AND RENEWAL

- a. This MOC comes into effect on the date it is signed by the Parties.
- b. This MOC will be reviewed by the Parties one year after adoption, or at any other time mutually agreed upon by the Parties.
- c. This MOC may be amended from time to time by written agreement of the Parties.
- d. The term of this MOC is three (3) years from the effective date. At the end of the term, the MOC may be renewed upon written agreement of each Party.
- e. Either party may terminate this agreement with at least 21 days notice given to the other Party.

The Parties have executed the Agreement on the dates set out below.

**HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF
ONTARIO as represented by the Minister of
Natural Resources and Forestry**

April 17th, 2018
Date



Nathalie Des Rosiers
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

Conservation Ontario

April 17/2018
Date



Don MacIver
Chair, Conservation Ontario

REPORT FA 26 / 2018 : To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer
SUBJECT: Southwestern Ontario Regional Envirothon Competition
DATE: May 2, 2018

Purpose:

To provide the members with a synopsis of the Southwestern Ontario Regional Envirothon Competition held at the Springwater Conservation Area on May 1st, 2018.

Discussion:

This competition is a one-day event whose purpose is to allow students to expand and test their knowledge and develop their problem solving, teamwork, and critical thinking skills in an interactive manner. Each Envirothon team consists of five (5) high school students, who work together to complete the various tasks presented to them. The winning Regional Team goes on to compete at the Ontario Provincial Envirothon Competition which takes place at the University of Waterloo on May 27 – 30, 2018.

A total of 12 teams from East Elgin Secondary School, West Elgin Secondary School, Strathroy District Collegiate Institute, Saunders Secondary School, A. B. Lucas Secondary School, London Central Secondary School, Catholic Central High School and Parkside Collegiate Institute, competed in the competition at Springwater. The competition included four (4) eco-stations focused on the Envirothon core topics of Forestry, Soils, Aquatics and Wildlife as well as an Oral Presentation on the impacts of Climate Change.

Judges for the competition included Sally Martyn, Jim Jenkins and the CCCA General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer. Team 3 from Catholic Central High School scored the highest overall marks and was selected as the Regional Champions.

Special thanks to the CCCA (host), Elgin Stewardship Council (sponsor), Forests Ontario, Ridgetown College / University of Guelph, St. Thomas Field Naturalists, Ron Casier and all the Volunteers for making the day a huge success.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, Report FA 26 / 2018, be noted and filed.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

REPORT FA 27 / 2018 : To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT: Summer Employment Programs

DATE: May 4, 2018

Purpose:

To provide the Board with an update on the Summer Employment Programs approved for 2018.

Discussion:

The following tables outline the various Summer Employment Programs approved for the Catfish Creek Conservation Authority for 2018 in comparison to 2017.

Sponsoring Agency	Name of Program	# of Participants	Total Hours	2018 Total Funding
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry	Summer Experience Opportunities	2	493	\$7,608.76
Service Canada	Canada Summer Jobs	6	1,040	\$22,782.00
Project Learning Tree Canada	Green Jobs in Green Spaces	2	493	\$3,804.38

Sponsoring Agency	Name of Program	# of Participant	Total Hours	2017 Total Funding
Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry	Summer Experience Opportunities	2	493	\$6,195.70
Service Canada	Canada Summer Jobs	5	1,350	\$17,393.00

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, the Full Authority acknowledge receipt of the information on the 2018 Summer Employment Programs as outlined in Report FA 27 / 2018.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

REPORT FA 28/ 2018 : To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT: Water Management Programs

DATE: May 4, 2018

PURPOSE:

To provide the members with the latest information regarding the Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) Capital Investment Program and the Ontario Low Water Response (OLWR) Program.

DISCUSSION:

a) WECI Capital Investment Program:

At the March Full Authority meeting, the Board supported the submission of the Rocabore Bay Flood Control Project Repairs to the WECI Capital Investment Program for ranking and funding consideration in 2018 - 2019. The CCCA received a letter from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) indicating that our project fell below the funding line. As you can see from the attached 2018 - 2019 WECI Project List, there would need to be an additional \$5 M in provincial funding to fully support all the project submissions. No additional funding means that there will be 62 critical infrastructure repair projects not funded in 2018 - 2019.

b) OLWR Program:

On April 23rd, 2018, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry sent out a letter to all Conservation Authorities informing them of the new approach to funding Drought and Low Water Management activities for the 2018 - 2019 fiscal year. The MNRF has transitioned to a Transfer Payment Grant to provide stable base funding this year. Each CA will receive funding at a defined amount of \$2,000.00, \$4,000.00 or \$8,000.00. These amounts reflect historical analysis of funding allocations. The CCCA has been informed that it will be receiving grant funding in the amount of \$8,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, Report FA 28/2018, be received as information at this time.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

2018/19 WECI Project List

Safety Projects

ID	CA	Project Name	Total Est	Prov Share	Score
R.18.071	Otonabee Region Conserva	Warsaw Dam Deck Extension Design	\$8,014.00	\$4,007.00	110
R.18.058	Grand River Conservation A	Guelph Dam - outflow gauge access walkway	\$70,000.00	\$35,000.00	160
R.18.020	Sault Ste. Marie Region Cor	Fort Creek Dam Ladder Upgradation	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	145
R.18.019	Sault Ste. Marie Region Cor	Fort Creek Dam Safety Fence	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	135
R.18.037	Upper Thames River Conse	Dam Ice Safety Signs	\$5,000.00	\$2,500.00	130
R.18.038	Upper Thames River Conse	Wildwood Dam Interior Hand Railing Replacement	\$45,000.00	\$22,500.00	130
R.18.083	Conservation Halton	Public Safety Plan Implementation	\$69,000.00	\$34,500.00	125
R.18.034	Long Point Region Conserv	Hay Creek Dam – Safety Fence Repairs	\$15,000.00	\$7,500.00	120
R.18.056	Grand River Conservation A	New Dundee Dam - operations lighting	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	110
R.18.074	Quinte Conservation	Upper Arden Public Safety Measures	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	100
R.18.075	Quinte Conservation	Public Safety Measures - Sign Upgrades	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	95
R.18.035	Long Point Region Conserv	Norwich Dam – Safety Fence Repairs	\$15,000.00	\$7,500.00	90
R.18.033	Crowe Valley Conservation	Allan Mills Dam Safety Boom Installation	\$56,700.00	\$28,350.00	85
R.18.031	Long Point Region Conserv	Deer Creek - Safety Fence Repairs	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	85
R.18.067	Otonabee Region Conserva	Millbrook Dam Boater and Public Safety Measures	\$81,917.00	\$40,958.50	85
R.18.032	Crowe Valley Conservation	Belmont Dam Safety Boom Installation	\$37,800.00	\$18,900.00	80
R.18.045	Upper Thames River Conse	Mitchell Dam Exterior Hand Railing & Grating Rep	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	80
R.18.072	Quinte Conservation	Filinton Dam Public Safety Measures	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	60
Totals			\$553,431.00	\$276,715.50	

Repairs Projects

ID	CA	Project Name	Total Est	Prov Share	Score
R.18.077	Conservation Halton	Kelso Dam Rehabilitation	\$675,616.00	\$337,808.00	185
R.18.078	Conservation Halton	Kelso Dam Groundwater Mitigation	\$3,065,000.00	\$1,532,500.00	185
R.18.046	Upper Thames River Conse	Fanshawe Dam Roof Replacement	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	180
R.18.087	Conservation Halton	Kelso Dam – 10ft x 12ft Lift Gate Hoist Motor Refu	\$79,000.00	\$39,500.00	175
R.18.057	Grand River Conservation A	Guelph and Woolwich Dams - Emergency Backup	\$75,000.00	\$37,500.00	170
R.18.060	Grand River Conservation A	Laurel Dam - Flashboard Release system and gate	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	170
R.18.039	Upper Thames River Conse	Fanshawe Dam Hoist Licensing & Refurbishment	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	170
R.18.086	Conservation Halton	Kelso Dam - 10" By-Pass Valve Refurbishment	\$40,500.00	\$20,250.00	165
R.18.011	Upper Thames River Conse	St Marys Floodwall Repairs Phase 2	\$305,000.00	\$152,500.00	165
R.18.041	Upper Thames River Conse	Fanshawe Dam Phase 5 Painting and Concrete R	\$1,037,750.00	\$518,875.00	160
R.18.081	Conservation Halton	Hilton Falls Diversion Final Design, Tendering Pro	\$58,000.00	\$29,000.00	155
R.18.022	Grand River Conservation A	Brantford Dyke - Concrete Slabs Toe Erosion Prot	\$800,000.00	\$400,000.00	155
R.18.043	Upper Thames River Conse	Wildwood Dam Electrical Rewiring	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	160
R.18.021	Grand River Conservation A	Woolwich Dam - Gate Recoating and Refurbishme	\$360,000.00	\$180,000.00	150
R.18.054	Grand River Conservation A	Gate Postion Encoders - Conestogo, Woolwich, an	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	150
R.18.082	Upper Thames River Conse	West London Dyke Phase 4A Reconstruction (Par	\$754,606.00	\$377,303.00	150
			\$7,440,472.00	\$3,720,236.00	

R.18.082	Upper Thames River Conse	West London Dyke Phase 4A Reconstruction (Par	\$1,224,644.00	\$612,322.00	150
R.18.042	Upper Thames River Conse	Pitlock Dam Embankment Restoration Phase 2	\$134,000.00	\$67,000.00	145
R.18.085	Nickel District Conservati	Box Culvert Rehabilitation	\$1,500,000.00	\$750,000.00	145
R.18.065	Otonabee Region Conserva	Millbrook Dam "Area A" Sediment Excavation	\$149,708.00	\$74,854.00	145
R.18.066	Otonabee Region Conserva	Millbrook Dam Construction Project Management /	\$132,288.00	\$66,144.00	145
R.18.063	Long Point Region Conserv	Lehman Dam – Embankment and Stilling Basin Rip	\$42,000.00	\$21,000.00	140
R.18.012	Niagara Peninsula Conserv	Binbrook Dam Morning Glory Outlet Repair	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	140
R.18.069	Upper Thames River Conse	Wildwood Dam Exhaust Fan & Duct Replacement	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	140
R.18.040	Upper Thames River Conse	Pitlock Dam Gate Heater Design & Replacement	\$200,000.00	\$100,000.00	135
R.18.038	Upper Thames River Conse	Wildwood Dam Interior Hand Railing Replacement	\$45,000.00	\$22,500.00	130
R.18.003	Ausable Bayfield Conservati	Parkhill Dam Toe Drain Repairs	\$45,000.00	\$22,500.00	130
R.18.028	South Nation Conservation	Crysler Concrete Repair	\$2,500.00	\$1,250.00	120
R.18.030	South Nation Conservation	Seguinbourg Vegetation Removal	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	120
R.18.016	Niagara Peninsula Conserv	Shriners Creek Dam 'B' Erosion Repair	\$120,000.00	\$60,000.00	120
R.18.009	St. Clair Region Conservati	Sarnia Shoreline Protection Repair - Phase 2	\$800,000.00	\$400,000.00	120
R.18.044	Upper Thames River Conse	Wildwood Dam Well Pipe Painting	\$80,000.00	\$40,000.00	120
R.18.014	St. Clair Region Conservati	McKeough Dam equipment painting	\$150,000.00	\$75,000.00	115
R.18.062	Upper Thames River Conse	Orr Dam Wingwall Repairs Phase 1	\$80,000.00	\$40,000.00	115

R.18.027	South Nation Conservation	Chesterville Dam Crack Repair	\$46,000.00	\$23,000.00	115
R.18.070	North Bay-Mattawa Conserv	Chippewa Creek - Cassels St Channel Repair	\$91,164.00	\$45,582.00	115
SR.18.004	Credit Valley Conservation	Island Lake North Dam Monitoring Program	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	115
SR.18.005	Credit Valley Conservation	Island Lake South Dam Telemetry	\$35,000.00	\$17,500.00	115
R.18.005	Credit Valley Conservation	Monora Dam Outlet Culvert Repairs	\$25,000.00	\$12,500.00	115
R.18.006	Saugeen Valley Conservatic	Walkerton Flood Control Dyke Repair to Stormwat	\$49,145.00	\$24,572.50	115
R.18.029	South Nation Conservation	Chesterville Dam Automatic Gate Electrical upgrad	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	115
R.18.015	St. Clair Region Conservatic	ARDA - Hazard Tree Removal	\$24,000.00	\$12,000.00	115
R.18.064	Otonabee Region Conserva	Millbrook Dam Erosion Protection	\$149,708.00	\$74,854.00	115
R.18.079	Conservation Halton	Millon Channel Site A - Concrete Retaining Wall R	\$110,000.00	\$55,000.00	110
R.18.080	Conservation Halton	Millon Channel Site B - Concrete Slab Replaceme	\$131,000.00	\$65,500.00	110
R.18.004	Saugeen Valley Conservatic	Durham Dam Concrete Repair – Upper and Lower	\$129,000.00	\$64,500.00	110
R.18.002	Ausable Bayfield Conservati	Morrison Dam Concrete Repairs	\$11,500.00	\$5,750.00	110
R.18.048	Grand River Conservation A	St. Jacobs Dam Rehabilitation	\$70,000.00	\$35,000.00	110
R.18.050	Grand River Conservation A	Wellesley Dam - Rehabilitation	\$80,000.00	\$40,000.00	110
R.18.052	Grand River Conservation A	New Dundee Dam Gate Refurbishment and Erosio	\$75,000.00	\$37,500.00	110
R.18.088	Hamilton Conservation Auth	Lead-based Paint Removal Works and Corrosion F	\$200,000.00	\$100,000.00	110
R.18.010	St. Clair Region Conservatic	Courtright Shoreline Rehabilitation - Phase 2	\$700,000.00	\$350,000.00	110
R.18.084	Conservation Halton	Morrison-Wedgewood Channel - Conveyance Cap.	\$52,500.00	\$26,250.00	100
R.18.051	Grand River Conservation A	New Hamburg Dyke Rehabilitation	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	100
R.18.055	Grand River Conservation A	Caledonia Dam - Stop log gain construction and in	\$100,000.00	\$50,000.00	100
R.18.017	Toronto and Region Conser	Bolton Berm and Channel Repair	\$190,000.00	\$95,000.00	100
R.18.013	Ganaraska Region Conserv.	Monk's Cove Armour Stone Wall Repair	\$177,150.00	\$88,575.00	95
R.18.024	Toronto and Region Conser	Bluffer's Park Beach Major Maintenance Project (V	\$1,100,000.00	\$550,000.00	95
R.18.025	Toronto and Region Conser	Bluffer's Park Southwest Headland Major Maintene	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	95
R.18.026	Toronto and Region Conser	Gwendolen Crescent (100-104) Major Maintenance	\$575,000.00	\$287,500.00	95
R.18.073	Catfish Creek Conservation	Rocabore Bay Flood Control Project	\$96,750.00	\$48,375.00	80
R.18.036	Crowe Valley Conservation	Marmora Dam Concrete Repairs	\$15,750.00	\$7,875.00	75

Studies

ID	CA	Project Name	Total Est	ProvShare	Score
S.18.031	Grand River Conservation A	Shand Dam - Stilling basin inspection	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	120
S.18.041	Grand River Conservation A	OMS manuals development - major dams	\$75,000.00	\$37,500.00	120
S.18.047	Grand River Conservation A	Shand Dam - Service stop log design and Gate se	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	120
S.18.026	Grand River Conservation A	Conestogo Dam - Concrete Repairs Phase 1	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	110
S.18.029	Grand River Conservation A	Conestogo Dam - DSR implementation	\$85,000.00	\$42,500.00	110
S.18.042a	Quinte Conservation	Quinte Conservation: Dam Operations, Surveillance	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	105
S.18.028	Grand River Conservation A	Woolwich Dam - HPC classification, EPP, OMS	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	100
S.18.009a	Cataraqui Region Conserva	Water Control Structures Condition Assessment	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	95
S.18.018	Toronto and Region Conser	G. Ross Lord Dam Hydrogeological Piezometer St	\$150,000.00	\$75,000.00	95
S.18.017	Grand River Conservation A	Bridgeport Dyke - Seepage and Stability Remediat	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	90
S.18.021	Ralsin Region Conservation	Fly Creek Inspection, Operations and Maintenance	\$12,500.00	\$6,250.00	90
S.18.044	Conservallon Halton	Mountsberg Dam - Surveillance Monitoring Improv	\$73,500.00	\$36,750.00	85
S.18.033	Grand River Conservation A	Cambridge Dyke - Block Wall rehabilitation design	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	85
S.18.035	Grand River Conservation A	Cambridge Dyke - Dyke Safety implmentaiton, OM	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	85
S.18.023	Upper Thames River Conse	Broughdale EA Part 2	\$37,500.00	\$18,750.00	80
S.18.045	Conservation Halton	Scotch Block DSR and Assessment	\$104,000.00	\$52,000.00	75
S.18.003	Lower Trent Conservation	Warkworth Dam Safety Review	\$110,000.00	\$55,000.00	75
S.18.046	Nickel District Conservation	Maley Dam Rehabilitation Design Preparation	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	75
S.18.020	Nottawasaga Valley Conser	New Lowell Dam Safety Review Update (2018)	\$52,000.00	\$26,000.00	75
S.18.013	Sault Ste. Marie Region Cor	Fort Creek Dam Geotechnical Study	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	75
S.18.024	Long Point Region Conserv	Teeterville Dam – Design for Stilling Basin Repairs	\$58,000.00	\$29,000.00	70
S.18.001	Toronto and Region Conser	Milne Dam Deficiency Repair Study	\$150,000.00	\$75,000.00	70
S.18.022	Upper Thames River Conse	Riverview EA Part 2	\$37,500.00	\$18,750.00	70
SR.18.068	Rideau Valley Conservation	Retaining Wall Replacement Design	\$7,500.00	\$3,750.00	70
S.18.019	Essex Region Conservation	Belle River Flood Control Project - Condition Asses	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	65
S.18.040	North Bay-Mattawa Conserv	Chippewa Creek - Oak St Repair - Environmental	\$204,000.00	\$102,000.00	65
S.18.011a	St. Clair Region Conservatic	Engineering Inspection	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	65
S.18.025	Long Point Region Conserv	Hay Creek Dam - Dam Safety Study and Condition	\$82,000.00	\$41,000.00	60
S.18.038	Long Point Region Conserv	Backus Mill Dam – Design Modifications for Increa	\$42,000.00	\$21,000.00	60
SR.18.076	Otonabee Region Conserva	Warsaw Dam Erosion Protection Design	\$5,597.00	\$2,798.50	60

S.18.007	Credit Valley Conservation	Belfountain Dam and Headpond Project	\$210,000.00	\$105,000.00	50
			\$2,006,097.00	\$1,003,048.50	
S.18.027	Grand River Conservation A	Wellesley Dam - HPC and hydraulic assessment	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	45
SR.18.049	Otonabee Region Conserva	Hope Dam Erosion Protection Design	\$8,014.00	\$4,007.00	45
S.18.034	Grand River Conservation A	Wellington Street Dam - HPC analysis, OMS and E	\$50,000.00	\$25,000.00	40
S.18.036	Grand River Conservation A	Caledonia Dyke - Erosion Rehabilitation Design	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	40
S.18.042b	Quinte Conservation	Quinte Conservation: Dam Operations, Surveillanc	\$20,000.00	\$10,000.00	40
S.18.037	Upper Thames River Conse	Harrington Dam Cultural Heritage Evaluation Repo	\$28,500.00	\$14,250.00	40
S.18.009b	Cataraqui Region Conserva	Water Control Structures Condition Assessment	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00	35
S.18.030	Grand River Conservation A	Victoria Mills Dam Engineering inspection and Des	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00	35
S.18.010	Niagara Peninsula Conserv	Virgil Dams Safety Review	\$100,000.00	\$50,000.00	35
S.18.011b	St. Clair Region Conserva	tic Engineering Inspection	\$40,000.00	\$20,000.00	30
S.18.014	Ganaraska Region Conserv	Monk's Cove Armour Stone Wall Reconstruction S	\$98,050.00	\$49,025.00	25
S.18.012	Maitland Valley Conserva	lio Gorrie dam study	\$16,000.00	\$8,000.00	25
S.18.008	St. Clair Region Conserva	tic Head St. & Coldstream Dam Decommissioning St	\$120,000.00	\$60,000.00	25
S.18.015	Toronto and Region Conser	Delroy Drive (10-42) and Berl Avenue (47-51) Slop	\$85,000.00	\$42,500.00	15
S.18.016	Toronto and Region Conser	Restwell Crescent (20-28) Slope Stability and Eros	\$60,000.00	\$30,000.00	15
S.18.039	Upper Thames River Conse	Embro Dam Cultural Heritage Evaluation Report (C	\$8,000.00	\$4,000.00	10

Project types	Total Est	Prov Share	#
Safety	\$553,431.00	\$276,715.50	18
Repairs	\$7,440,472.00	\$3,720,236.00	17
Studies	\$2,006,097.00	\$1,003,048.50	31
Total	\$10,000,000.00	\$5,000,000.00	66

Ineligible projects	S.18.043
Withdrawn	R.18.053

REPORT FA 29 /2018 : To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

SUBJECT: Special Projects Funding

DATE: May 4, 2018

Purpose:

To update the Board on the status of the Special Projects receiving funding in 2018.

Discussion:


The Catfish Creek Conservation Authority (CCCA) regularly applies for funding to support a wide range of non-mandated environmental projects and initiatives. These additional sources of revenue allow the CCCA to complete important work that would otherwise be impossible to undertake.

The following table provides a summary of the various projects and sources of funding confirmed for 2018 compared to 2017.

Name of Program	Primary Funding Source	Funds Committed
Great Lakes Guardian Community Fund	Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change	\$25,000.00
Enabling Accessibility in Communities Fund	Employment and Social Development Canada	\$50,000.00
Ontario Sport and Recreation Community Fund	Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport	\$52,950.00
Land Stewardship & Habitat Restoration	Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry	\$20,000.00
Wetland Biodiversity Services	Ontario Power Generation	\$28,000.00
Wetland Restoration and Creation	Ducks Unlimited Canada	\$10,000.00
	2018 Total To Date	\$185,950.00
	2017 Total To Date	\$136,980.00

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT, the Full Authority acknowledge the 2018 Special Projects as outlined in Report FA 29 / 2018.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer

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April 23, 2018

Ms. Kim Smale
General Manager
Catfish Creek Conservation Authority
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Dear Ms. Smale:

I would like to extend my thanks to you for contributing to the development of the final Agricultural Soil Health and Conservation Strategy.

This soil strategy was developed with close consideration to the feedback and input provided by stakeholders through written submissions and during public engagement sessions across the province.

As one of Ontario's most precious resources, it is crucial that we do all we can to protect the health of our soil. This will not only benefit the environment and our economy, but our province as a whole. I am pleased that this new strategy will enable government and our soil care partners to strive for sustainable crop production as we collectively take action to conserve the health of Ontario's soil.

Again, thank you for contributing to the soil strategy process. Please accept my best wishes.

Sincerely,

Jeff Leal
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Minister Responsible for Small Business



Good Things Grow in Ontario
À bonne terre, bons produits

Susan Simmons

From: MTCS Correspondence (MTCS) <MtrMclCo@ontario.ca>
Sent: April-23-18 2:50 PM
To: Susan Simmons
Subject: Response from the Honourable Daiene Vernile, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport

1094MC-2018-27

April 23, 2018

Mr. Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer
c/o Ms. Susan Simmons
Financial Services Coordinator
Catfish Creek Conservation Authority
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Dear Mr. Smale:

Thank you for your March 12, 2018 letter regarding the Celebrate Ontario 2018 program and the Springwater Outdoor Music Festival's application.

My ministry acknowledges that Ontario's local community festivals and events are powerful economic drivers, and play an important role in attracting tourists, supporting jobs and bringing communities together.

This year, the Celebrate Ontario program is supporting hundreds of smaller events that will take place in rural communities. Successful applicants clearly identified how their enhancement project would attract new visitors and tourists to the region, and contribute to community economic growth. As part of the application process, events are identified as small, medium or large based on their budgets.

The program was once again highly competitive this year. Funding was approved on the basis of the application submitted and each one was assessed based on the strength of the proposal against program criteria. As a result, not all projects could be funded.

There is no appeal process for unsuccessful applicants to the Celebrate Ontario program.

Ministry staff are available to provide feedback to event organizers on their application. I encourage you to contact your Tourism Industry Advisor, Nancy Fallis, to learn more about how to improve applications for future submissions, or to get information on other programs and services available to support festivals and events in Ontario. Nancy can be reached at Nancy.Fallis@ontario.ca or at (519) 873-4482.

I wish you a successful 2018 event.

With kind regards,

Daiene Vernile

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April 20, 2018

Mr. Kim Smale
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
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Dear Mr. Smale:

Thank you for applying to the 2018-19 Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) Program. This year the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) and the Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) Committee received and reviewed 126 applications from 27 conservation authorities. 18 safety repairs projects, 17 repairs projects and 31 studies were approved for a total of 66 projects being funded.

The Catfish Creek Conservation Authority was not successful this year in the selection of projects.

Application R.18.073 scored below the 2018-19 funding line. A project waiting list has been created for projects under the funding line. Depending on the outcome of the in-year reporting the waiting list projects will be considered for funding.

However this year the WECI program was well over subscribed and as such your conservation authority may wish to consider other funding programs such as the federal National Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP) to meet your capital project needs.

If you have any questions concerning the WECI program please contact Rob Fancy at (705) 755-1259 or rob.fancy@ontario.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathy Woeller".

Kathy Woeller
Manager, Program Services Section

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April 17, 2018

Mr. Kim Smale
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**Re: Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund 2018-19
Local/Regional Stream
Grants Ontario Case # 2017-11-1-700947107**

Dear Ms. Smale:

On behalf of the Government of Ontario, thank you for supporting and promoting community sport, recreation, and physical activity in our province. I am pleased to inform you that the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS) has approved *your Active Naturally* initiative in the amount of up to **\$52,950**. A ministry staff person will contact you shortly regarding the specifics of the funding agreement.

Our government recognizes that providing Ontarians with opportunities to engage in community sport, recreation and physical activity is critical to improving quality of life. Through the Ontario Sport and Recreation Communities Fund, we are supporting increased opportunities for participation in physical activity, building physical literacy as the foundation for lifelong activity, and strengthening the capacity of the sport and recreation sector.

Together, we are laying an important foundation for active living through all stages of a person's life. I wish you much success in your project activities.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Daiene Vernile".

Daiene Vernile
Minister

Correspondence: To The Full Authority

FROM: Kim Smale, General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer
SUBJECT: Correspondence Register, April 1st – 30th, 2018
DATE: April 30th, 2018

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, Toronto

- a letter from the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs thanking the CCCA for contributing to the development of the final Agricultural Soil Health and Conservation Strategy.

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, Toronto

- a copy of the signed Grant Funding Agreement for the Lower Catfish Creek Restoration Project.
- e-mail "Submission of Catfish Creek Source Protection Area Annual Progress Reports Received"

Ministry of Government and Consumer Services, Toronto

- e-mail "Invitation to Register with the Transfer Payment Common Registration System"

Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry, Peterborough

- e-mail "Managed Forest Tax Incentive Program Stewardship Portal Upgrade"
- e-mail "Provincial Flood Advisory for Southern Ontario Issued on April 11th, 2018"
- e-mail "Updated Provincial Flood Watch for Southern Ontario Issued April 13th, 2018"
- e-mail "Provincial Flood Watch for Southern and Central Ontario Issued on April 20th, 2018"
- e-mail "Web Ex Session: New MFTIP Stewardship Portal"
- e-mail "Managed Forest Plan Approver Stewardship Portal Registration Invitation"
- e-mail "2018 – 2019 Funding for Drought and Low Water Management"
- e-mail "2018- 2019 WECI Project List"
- a letter informing the CCCA that its WECI application was unsuccessful this year in the selection of projects.

Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, Toronto

- a letter from Minister Daiene Vernile regarding the Celebrate Ontario 2018 Program and the Springwater Outdoor Music Festival's application.
- notice that our Active Naturally initiative has been approved for funding in the amount of up to \$52,950.00.

CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES

Conservation Ontario

- e-mail "Watershed Planning in Ontario: Guidance for Land – Use Planning Authorities (EBR # 013 – 1817)"
- e-mail "Provincial Offences Officer Level 1 Training Course"
- e-mail "Process for Submitting Notices for Streamlined Environmental Assessments"
- e-mail "Multijurisdictional Responsibility for Watershed Planning in Relation to the Watershed Planning in Ontario: Guidance for Land – Use Planning Authorities"

Grand River C.A.

- e-mail "LERSPC eSCRIBE Meeting Site Available"
- notice of the next Lake Erie Region Management Committee meeting to be held at the Long Point Region C.A. on June 4th, 2018.

Kettle Creek C.A.

- e-mail "Watershed Conditions Statement – Flood Outlook"

Lower Trent C.A.

- an invitation to celebrate their 50th Anniversary on May 16th, 2018, in Trenton.

Saugeen Valley C.A.

- a copy of their 2018 Watershed Report Card.

Upper Thames River C.A.

- e-mail "Watershed Conditions Statement – Flood Outlook"

MUNICIPALITIES

City of St. Thomas

- notice that St. Thomas City Council approved our Levy in the amount of \$17,885.24 on April 10th, 2018.

Township of Malahide

- a Notice of an On – site Meeting to consider improvements to the Hiepleh – Dance Drain.
- a Notice of Meeting to consider the Engineer's Report for the Dixie Estates Drain – Branch 1.
- a Notice of Sitting of Court of Revision regarding the J.F.O'Brien Drain – Branch A.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Annual Reports

- Otonabee Region C.A., Saugeen Valley C.A., Lower Thames Valley C.A.

Burnham, Mark

- notice that he will be seeking election for one of the Vice – Chair positions on Conservation Ontario Council at the Annual General Meeting being held on April 16th, 2018.

Casier, Ron

- an invitation to attend the Elgin Middlesex Woodlot Owner's Association Annual General Meeting being held at the Stoneridge Inn on April 7th, 2018.

Dawe, Geoffrey

- notice that he will be seeking election as Chairperson of Conservation Ontario Council at the Annual General Meeting being held on April 16th, 2018.

Elgin Middlesex Oxford Purchasing Co – Operative

- notice that the next EMOP Co- Operative meeting will be held at the Ingersoll Town Centre on April 10th, 2018.

Employment Services Elgin, St. Thomas

- an invitation to attend the Employer Breakfast being held at the St. Thomas Seniors Centre on May 2nd, 2018.

Gibson, Lin

- notice that she will be seeking re – election for one of the Vice – Chair positions on Conservation Ontario Council at the Annual General Meeting being held on April 16th, 2018.

Maclver, Don

- notice that he will be seeking election as Chairperson of Conservation Ontario Council at the Annual General Meeting being held on April 16th, 2018.

Minutes

- Elgin Middlesex Oxford Purchasing Co- Operative, OPC Path of Honour Committee.

Newsletters

- Conservation Ontario, Rideau Valley C.A., Ducks Unlimited Canada.

Pederson, Lyle

- notice that he will be seeking election as a Director on Conservation Ontario Council at the Annual General Meeting being held on April 16th, 2018.



Kim Smale
General Manager / Secretary - Treasurer