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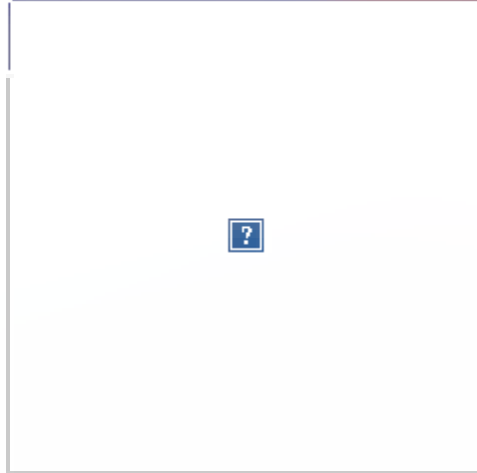
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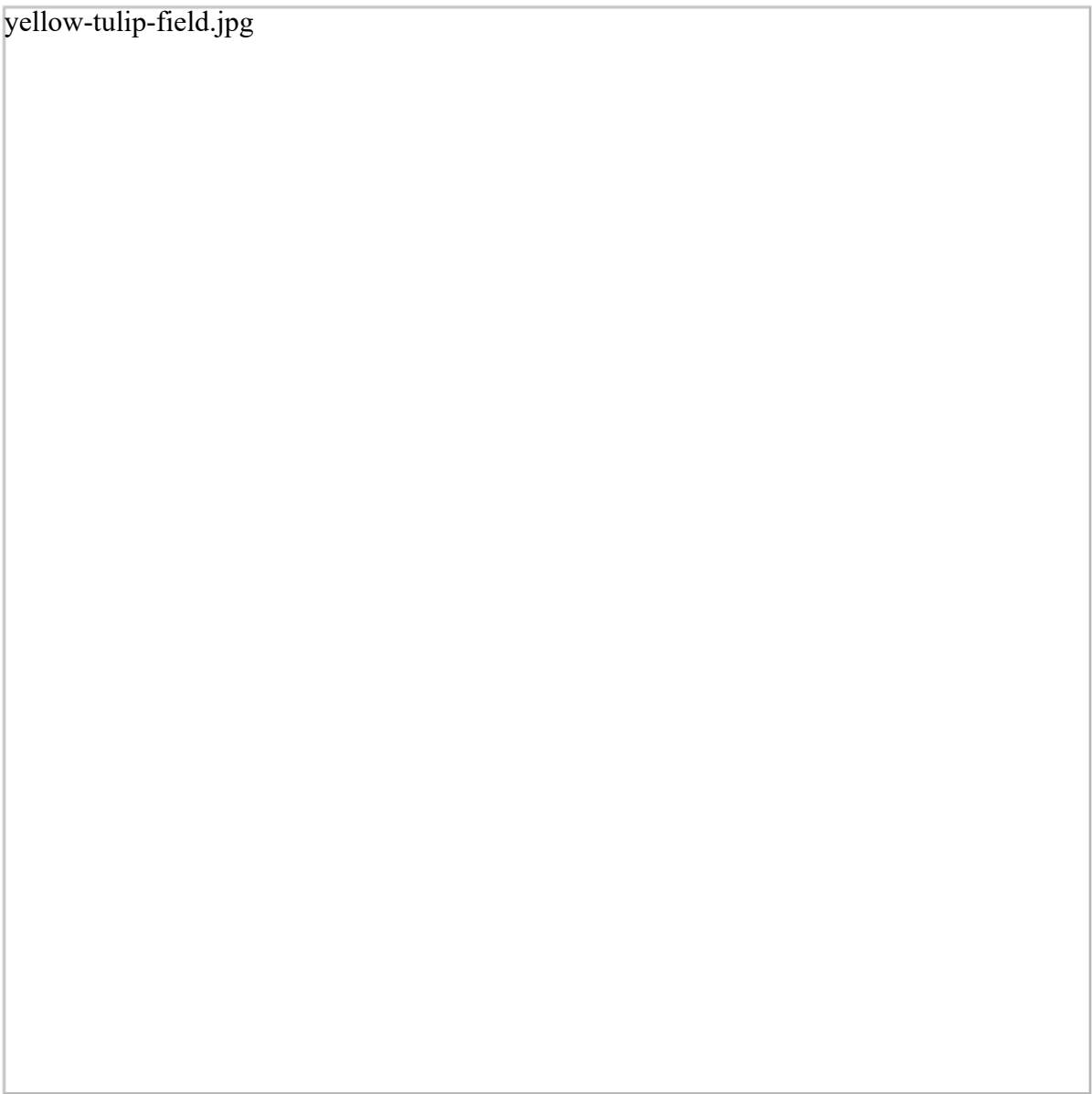
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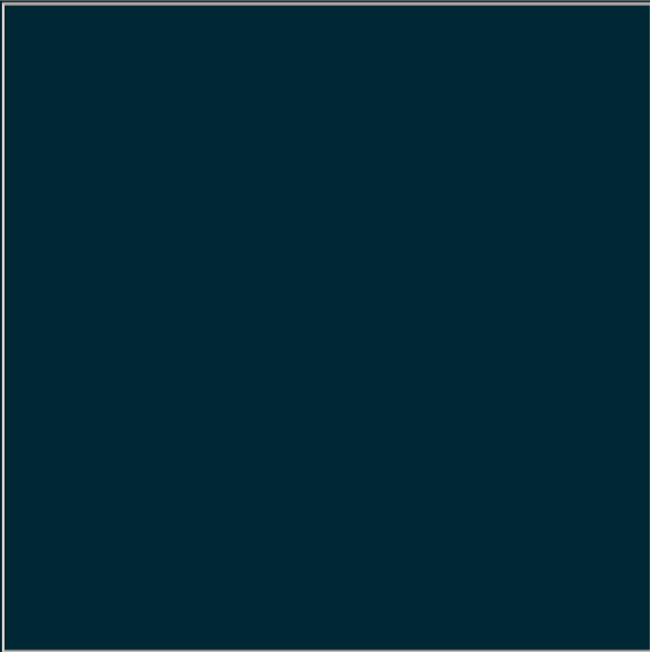


### Applewood Farm Winery

*Greetings from the  
Passafiume Family!*

Applewood Farm Winery ~ North  
of Port has a new home.

"Together with our four children,  
we have started what is quite  
literally our very own field of  
dreams.



We are a family-run, family-friendly farm and winery. We offer award-winning fruit wine, cider and mead made from the fruit grown here on

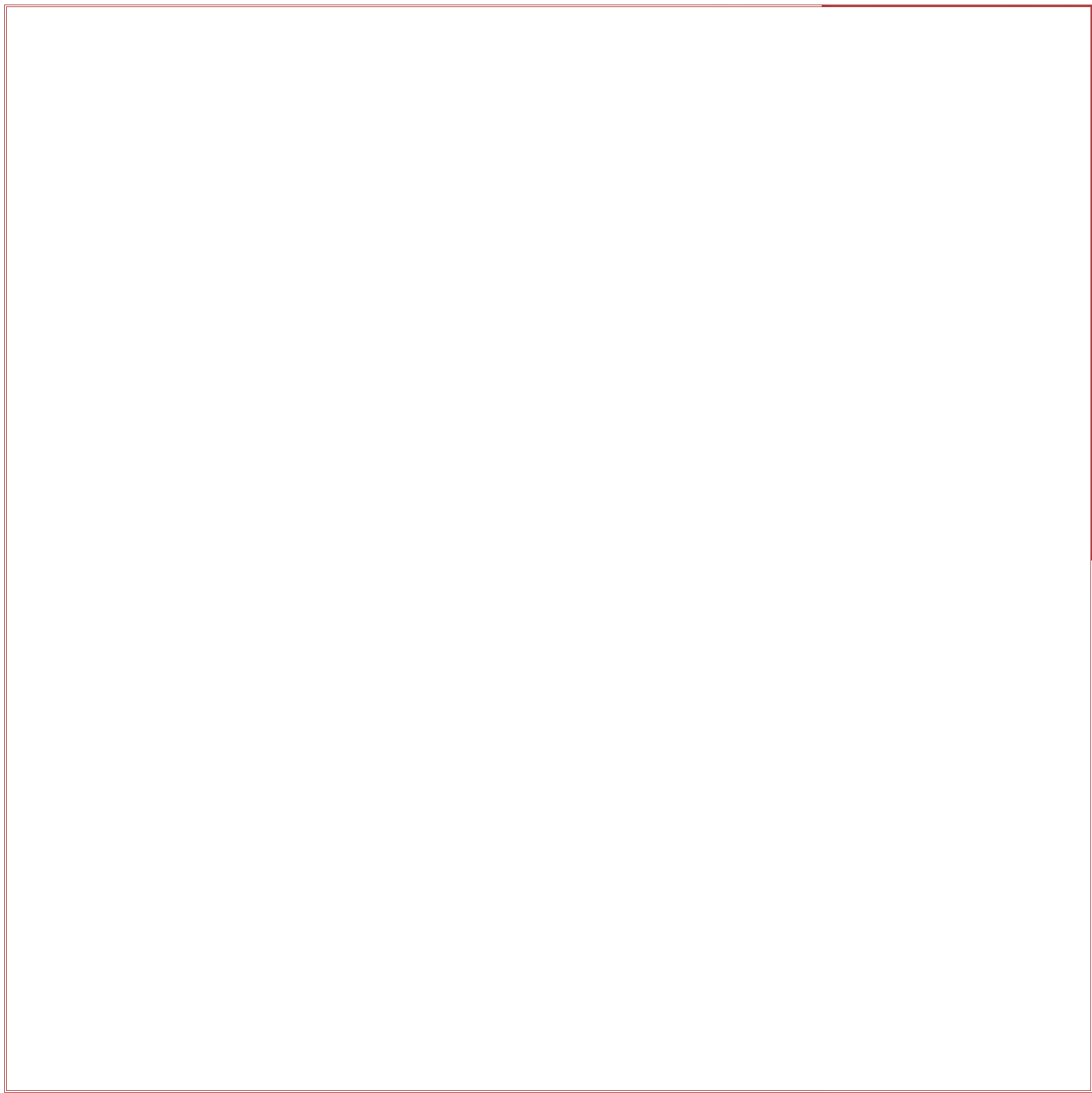
our farm, as well as other local producers.

We offer pick your own strawberries in June, and then mulberries right after. Fresh garlic, honey and other tasty jams and jellies are available all season long. We have a huge corn maze to roam and pumpkins and squash the fall. We have also planted Christmas trees, which will be harvested in 2025.

Come check our out new farm side wine patio where you can sit outside and enjoy a glass of wine or cider and enjoy the farm views.

We offer fun for the whole family and we are absolutely loving life on our new farm just north of beautiful Port Perry."

[Learn more](#)



## **TIAO Complimentary Membership Extended**

TIAO is pleased to extend their complimentary membership to the entire tourism industry in Ontario for the remainder of 2021.

How does this work if you are an existing member of TIAO?

For current members, they will be provided an option to choose:

1. Extend their existing membership by another year or
2. Become a Green shoots sponsor - For those members that can afford to pay their membership, we will

## **Ontario Supports Tourism and Hospitality Sectors During COVID-19**

The Ontario government is providing an estimated \$100 million for a new one-time Ontario Tourism and Hospitality Small Business Support Grant and \$100 million for a new one-time recovery program.

This significant investment is part of the 2021 Budget, Ontario's Action Plan: Protecting People's Health & Our Economy, and will support the province's tourism industry as it recovers from the impacts of COVID-19.

Total support from the Ontario

recognize the value of their existing membership through sponsorship (Green shoots sponsor) and use this value of their membership to continue the research and vital actions to rebuild and represent the industry's voice to government in Ontario.

government for the tourism, culture, sports, recreation, and heritage industries since the start of the pandemic now totals \$625 million.

[Learn more](#)

How does this work if you want to become a member of TIAO?

1. Please reach out directly to TIAO [here](#) to set up your membership. You will also be offered the same option above as existing members are offered.

[Contact TIAO](#)



sport and recreation programming - that are critical to the economic and social well being of their communities.

- The \$50-million capital funding stream will go to municipalities and non-profit organizations to carry out sport- and recreation-facility infrastructure repairs, including retrofits and rehabilitation to meet COVID-19 public health protocol requirements and local community needs.

The application deadline for the operating stream of the Community Building Fund closes on **April 28**, while the fund's capital stream will open later in 2021.

[Learn more](#)



**Recording Now Available**

## **TIAC & Destination Canada Industry Webinar**

On **April 9**, Destination Canada alongside with the Tourism Industry Association of Canada (TIAC) were pleased to offer a joint industry webinar. This session provided an important opportunity to connect with industry stakeholders to provide an update on their

support efforts and plans going forward.

Beth Potter, TIAC's new President and CEO, provided an overview of advocacy efforts aimed at the survival and recovery of the tourism industry and a snapshot of the road ahead.

Destination Canada President and CEO, Marsha Walden, also shared an update on their latest strategy and next steps.

[Watch the recording](#)

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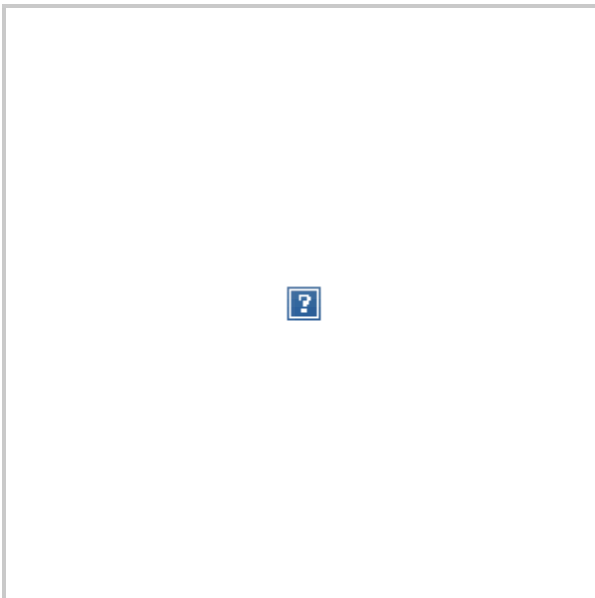


able to gather from other sources. This information informs many departments at the Region and helps us to undertake projects such as:

- Planning for infrastructure needs
- Creating programs to support local business growth
- Promoting Durham Region's tourism assets
- Planning transit routes
- Building local business directories
- Monitoring and reporting on local business and economic trends

The Business Count was cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic. In 2021, the Count will be conducted by telephone and email. Our Business Count team will be travelling throughout the region and where possible, will not enter businesses to help keep the process safe for everyone. Home-based businesses are also encouraged to participate.

Gathering data is especially important this year as we work to support business recovery. If you have questions about the count, please contact [businesscount@durham.ca](mailto:businesscount@durham.ca).



## Durham Region to host Supplier Information Event

The Region of Durham, in partnership with the Durham Purchasing Co-operative—which includes the cities of Oshawa and Pickering; Municipality of Clarington; towns of Ajax and Whitby, and Township of Brock; the Durham District School Board; Durham College and Ontario Tech University—is hosting a virtual Supplier Information event.

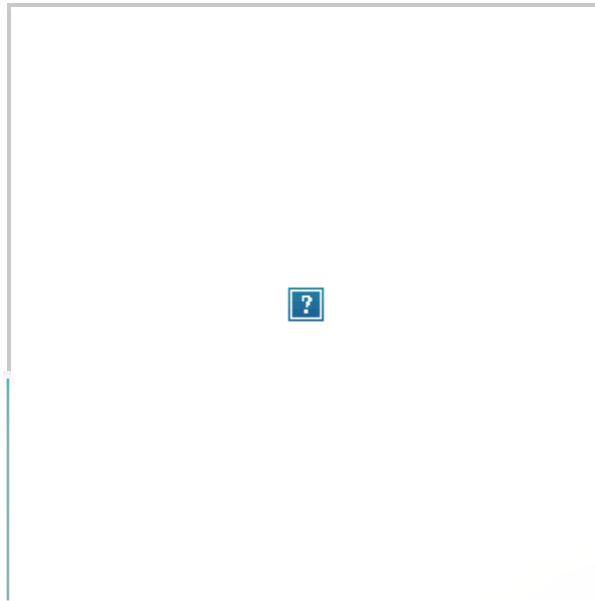
**When:** Wednesday, April 28 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

The event will include presentations geared towards assisting small businesses in learning more about the public procurement process, and how to do business with various public agencies located within Durham Region. There will be an opportunity for small business owners to ask questions of the procurement staff working with the local agencies using the chat function.

**Note:** If you are interested in participating in the Supplier Information event, please RSVP to [PurchasingHelp@durham.ca](mailto:PurchasingHelp@durham.ca) by **April 23**.

The Supplier Information event is an initiative designed to assist and encourage small businesses in doing business within the Region of Durham and the Durham Purchasing Co-operative. Learn more at [durham.ca/Purchasing](https://durham.ca/Purchasing)

[Learn more](#)



For unique trip ideas or to plan your perfect day, visit [DurhamTourism.ca](http://DurhamTourism.ca), or call 1-800-413-0017. If this information is required in an accessible format, contact [Durham Tourism](#).

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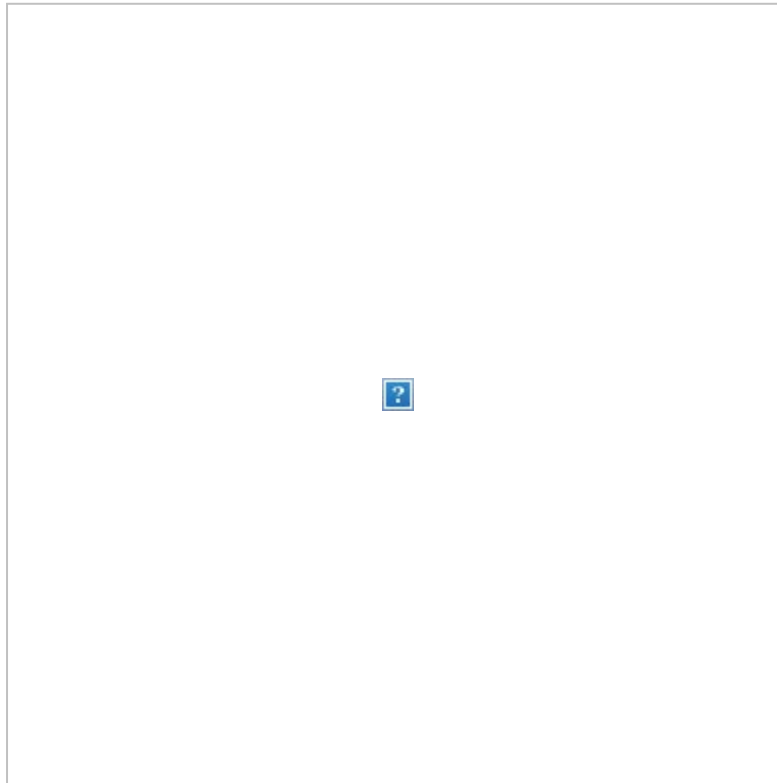
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### FOCA Champions Affordable & Safe Rural Living

#### Stay at home order: Can I go to the cottage?



With Ontario under a stay-at-home order that will last until at least May 6th, FOCA has been fielding calls about whether it is OK to go to the cottage.

**FOCA recommends following all public health and provincial guidelines.** The stay-at-home order directs all Ontarians to remain at

home except for essential purposes. If you choose to self-isolate at your waterfront home, you should stay there for at least 14 days and bring all supplies you might need during that time. FOCA posts related information here:

<https://foca.on.ca/covid-19-update-from-foca/>

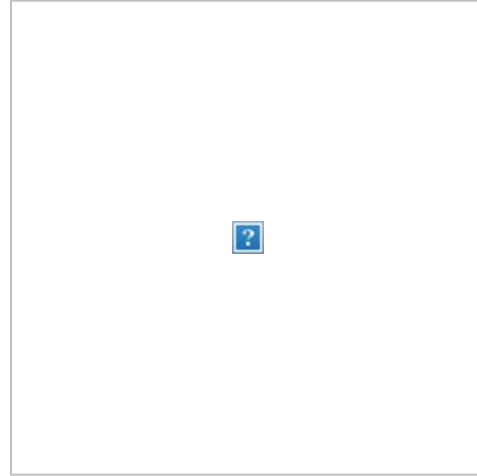
***last call to register:***

**WEBINAR: Creating a Cardiac Safe Cottage Community**

**Wednesday, April 21, 2021** from 12:00pm-1:00pm

**Register to join us for a one-hour "lunch and learn"** with FOCA and our partners at Action First Aid, about Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) and how to create a cardiac safe cottage community. Highlights:

- > hear a story from a Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) survivor
- > understand the difference between SCA and Heart Attack, and when to use an AED
- > learn how to use crowdfunding to place 24/7 accessible AEDs in your cottage community.



**[Sign up for the webinar here](#)**

Registration is open to all FOCA Association Members, and Individual/Family Supporters. There is **no charge** to attend; the event has been sponsored by Action First Aid.

**BONUS:** Everyone who attends the April 21st event will be entered into a draw to win one of 3 seats in Action First Aid's new on-line training program: **CPR/AED & Basic First Aid Awareness**.



**Associations:** Please share the registration link with your members: <http://bit.ly/cottage-safety>

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## **Enhanced emergency response coming to rural and northern Ontario?**

Seven years ago, FOCA sought assurance from the Province that the health and well-being of northern and rural Ontario residents is a priority of the provincial government, and that effective communications and coordination are in place to respond to emergency situations.

Recently, the Ministry of the Solicitor General and Ministry of Health established the **9-1-1 Emergency Response Inter-Ministerial Task Force** in response to recommendations of a 2018 Coroner's Inquest. This task force is exploring a provincial framework for 9-1-1 and emergency communications service delivery in Ontario.

In related news, the **Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission** has directed all telecommunication service providers to change their networks to be ready to provide Next Generation 9-1-1 services. This will ultimately enable the public, 9-1-1 call centres and emergency responders to transmit and receive text, images, video and data.

Read more about emergency response here:  
<https://foca.on.ca/emergency-response-in-remote-areas/>

## FOCA Advocates for Responsive Government

### Electricity Pricing update



April 12, 2021 - the **Ontario Energy Board (OEB)** has released "Procedural Order #1" in connection with the elimination of the seasonal rate class of Hydro One electricity customers. FOCA has posted an overview, and a link to the full document, here: <https://foca.on.ca/electricity-pricing/>

### Cell Gap Project, Enhanced Broadband in eastern Ontario

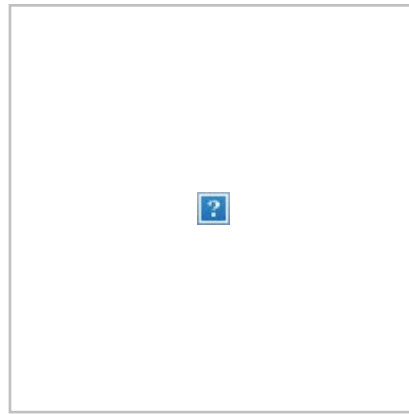
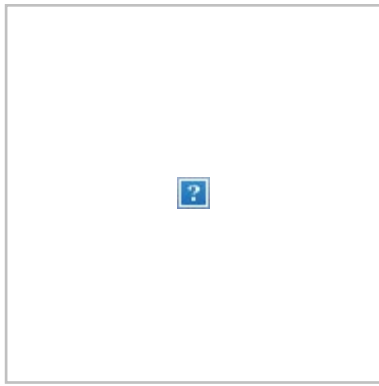


FOCA was pleased to be part of last month's announcement from the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN) about a significant investment in cellular coverage in Eastern Ontario, which will see immediate improvements and a full roll-out by 2025.

**Now, your help is needed:** EORN has asked FOCA to circulate a call-to-action to our eastern Ontario lake Associations, to write the Ministers responsible for supporting EORN's **Gig Project**, which would bring speeds of up to 1 Gigabyte per second to residents, cottage owners and businesses across the region. Access to high-speed broadband services will meet our collective needs and support the local economy, long into the future. Find details and a template letter you can use, here: <https://foca.on.ca/utilities-and-rural-services-overview/>

## FOCA's Gold level sponsors



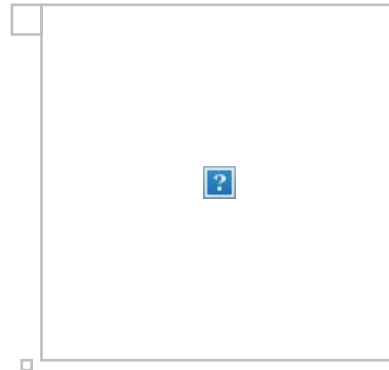


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## FOCA Promotes Healthy Lands, Lakes & Rivers

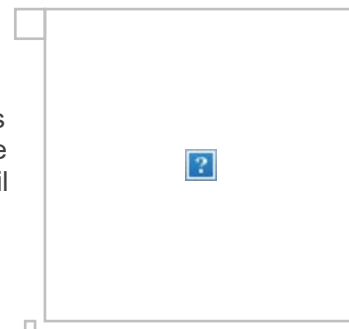
### Focus on plastic waste

April 2021 – the Council of the Great Lakes Region (CGLR) has announced the creation of **Circular Great Lakes**, a regional initiative focused initially on keeping valuable plastic materials out of the waste stream and the environment. Link to the new initiative, and find out more about plastics and microplastics, on FOCA's webpage: <https://foca.on.ca/microplastics-at-alarming-levels-in-canadian-lakes-and-rivers/>



### recent event: Plastic Pollution webinar

In related news, on April 9, 2021 FOCA attended a webinar hosted by Ohio Sea Grant about **plastic pollution in the Great Lakes**. The speakers confirmed that our plastic waste is entering aquatic ecosystems at alarming rates. While slides from the webinar were not circulated, FOCA has posted some highlights from the event on our [Plastics webpage](#) (see: April 2021 webinar posting).

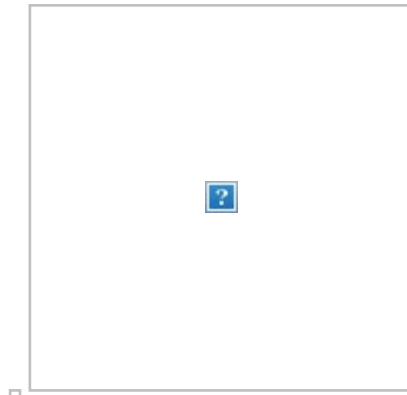


### Invasive mussels found in aquarium products!

FOCA's partners at the **Invasive Species Centre (ISC)**  reported this month that invasive Zebra and/or Quagga mussels have been found in moss ball products sold in Canada for use in aquariums. [Read more from ISC](#)

[here](#). (image from [invasivespeciescentre.ca](http://invasivespeciescentre.ca))

As part of FOCA's [ongoing efforts](#) to prevent the spread of invasive species in Ontario, FOCA will be working with our invasive species partners and some lake association members this year on selective monitoring to target Zebra mussels and spiny water flea. Stay tuned for further details.



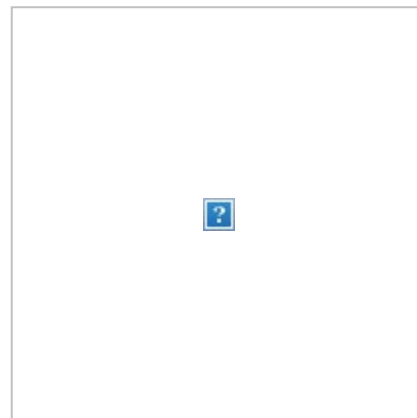
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## Modelling the effects of Asian carp on the Great Lakes

Computer modelling has been used to predict the **impacts of bighead carp and silver carp on Great Lakes ecosystems** including Lake Erie and Lake Huron. Get a link to the study, published in the North American Journal of Fisheries Management, here:

<https://foca.on.ca/asian-carp/>

*image: Predictions for Lake Erie from Supporting Info Doc. #3 of [American Fisheries Society posting](#)*



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## upcoming webinar series: Love Muskoka - Sustain Muskoka

**Thursdays @ 5:00pm from April 22 to May 27** (virtual) - The Muskoka Steamships & Discovery Centre and regional partner organizations are hosting a digital webinar series on sustainability with a roster of great speakers and important topics of interest to viewers in Muskoka, and beyond:

**Apr.22** - Climate change and policy tools with Dr. Dianne Saxe

**Apr. 29** - Watershed Management and how cottage owners can be nice to Mother Nature

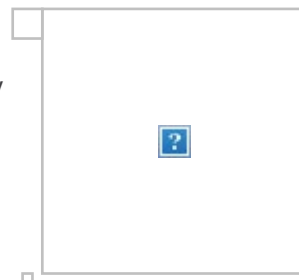
**May 6** - Protecting green spaces, riparian zones and education

**May 13** - Climate change impacts for Muskoka with Dr. Peter Sale & Dr. Richard Lammers

**May 20** - Indigenous Perspective: reconnecting with the natural world

**May 27** - The future of our lakes despite climate change with Dr. Norman Yan

Click the image at the side to download the series poster (PDF, 1 page). Register for one session, or all six, here: <http://realmuskoka.com/sustainability/>



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## upcoming webinar: Life in the "Weeds"

**Wednesday, May 5, 2021 @ 2:00pm** (virtual) - Join Watersheds

Canada and the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife - Michigan State University for a webinar about the critical role of native aquatic plants in our lakes. [Register for the webinar here.](#)

With so many new folks having purchased waterfront property over the winter, FOCA believes it is going to be critical to welcome them early in the season, and help them understand the value of a natural shoreline - before the "weeds" start getting ripped out. We look forward to this webinar, and hope it gives some good ideas for ways to share the importance of aquatic plants with new cottage neighbours!



## FOCA Serves Lake & Road Associations

### FOCA helps with Member Association AGMs

At this point, it seems inevitable that lake association events such as Annual General Meetings will be digital again this summer.



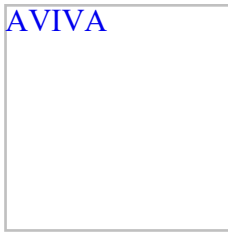
**If your lake association is wondering what to do about your AGM**, contact FOCA for an information sheet with notes about phone or webinar or even Facebook Live options. FOCA may be available to provide some up-front advice for your group to set up your own Zoom event. We also have a limited number of slots available to host member AGMs on FOCA's Zoom platform, for a members-only price. For details, email: [communications@foca.on.ca](mailto:communications@foca.on.ca)

## FOCA's Silver level sponsors

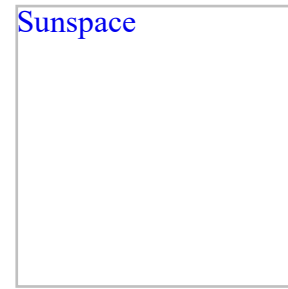




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## Partner Updates & Regional Notices

### Lake of Bays Short Term Rental Report

April 6, 2021 - a new staff report to Council was released about **short-term rental (STR) regulation** in Lake of Bays. The report includes a detailed overview of issues, potential costs to administer licenses, and feedback from public consultation. **Other areas may find the report interesting as an example.** Download a copy from the "News" section this FOCA webpage: <https://foca.on.ca/responsible-cottage-rental>




### Lake Huron Management Plan: input invited

The next [Lake Huron Lakewide Action and Management Plan \(LAMP\)](#) is being developed this year by the Lake Huron Partnership in order to meet Canada and the U.S.'s commitments under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, and public input is invited.

**Want to participate?** First, review the [2017-2021 Lake Huron LAMP](#) (download PDF, 105 pages), then submit suggestions or questions **by April 30, 2021** to the Canadian Great Lakes Executive Committee Secretariat (Environment and Climate Change Canada) by email: [ec.aqegl-glwqa.ec@canada.ca](mailto:ec.aqegl-glwqa.ec@canada.ca). A draft plan will be made available for further comments, later this year.

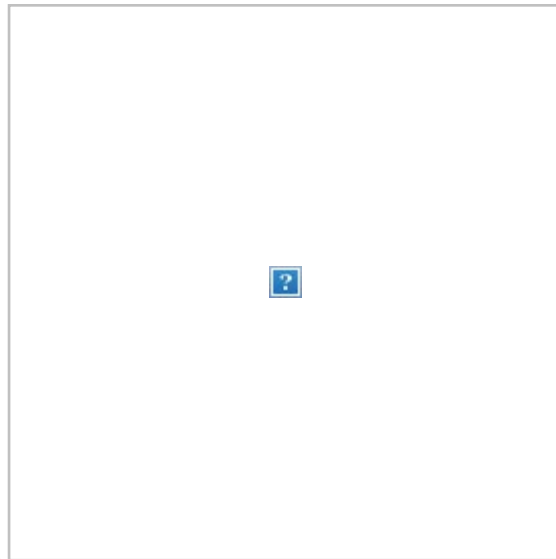


### Real-time water levels in Muskoka

A new tool is available through the  Muskoka GeoHub that allows residents to see flood plain mapping and real-time water levels: [www.muskoka.on.ca/gis](http://www.muskoka.on.ca/gis)

While many of the layers contain datasets specific to Muskoka, the difference in daily

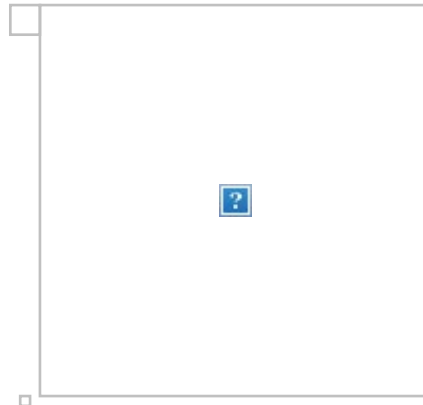
average water level data is province-wide, from Natural Resources Canada.



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## Lake of the Woods water quality: input invited

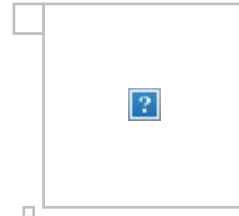
Last call to provide input to Environment and Climate Change Canada on its proposals for **phosphorus reduction options to manage algae blooms** on Lake of the Woods. FOCA's partners at the [Lake of the Woods Water Sustainability Foundation](#) encourage everyone with an interest in Lake of the Woods to get involved and have their say in the proposed lake ecosystem objectives and phosphorus reduction options. The **public comment period ends April 30, 2021**. Participate online here: [PlaceSpeak.com/lakeofthewoods](https://PlaceSpeak.com/lakeofthewoods)



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## Kawartha & Scugog Water Funds

Property owners in the City of Kawartha Lakes, or Townships of Scugog, Brock or Clarington are invited to apply to Kawartha Conservation for **funding for projects that contribute to the health of the watershed**. Projects could involve shoreline naturalization to prevent erosion, tree plantings, well or septic system stewardship, and more. Get details, and apply by May 12, 2021, here: <https://www.kawarthaconservation.com/WaterFund>



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## Haliburton webinar on environmental threats

*Our members at the Lake Kashagawigamog Organization have asked us to share information about their upcoming webinar, which is open to all:*



**Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 7:30pm (virtual) - Stayin' Alive:**

**Environmental Threats to our Lake and Forest Creatures** - a presentation on the effects of pollution on freshwater molluscs (clams, snails and slugs), how they are adapting to environmental change, and what us humans can do to help. [Register via the LKO website.](#)



## FOCA Fosters Community

### FOCA at the Virtual Cottage Life Show

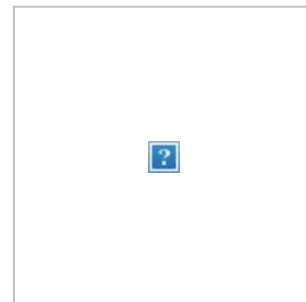
FOCA's booth had over 1000 "visits" during the inaugural **Virtual Cottage Life & Outdoor Living Show** (March 26-28), and our Executive Director Terry Rees spoke each day on the Main Stage about what to consider if you're thinking of spending more time at the cottage this year. (Yes please!)

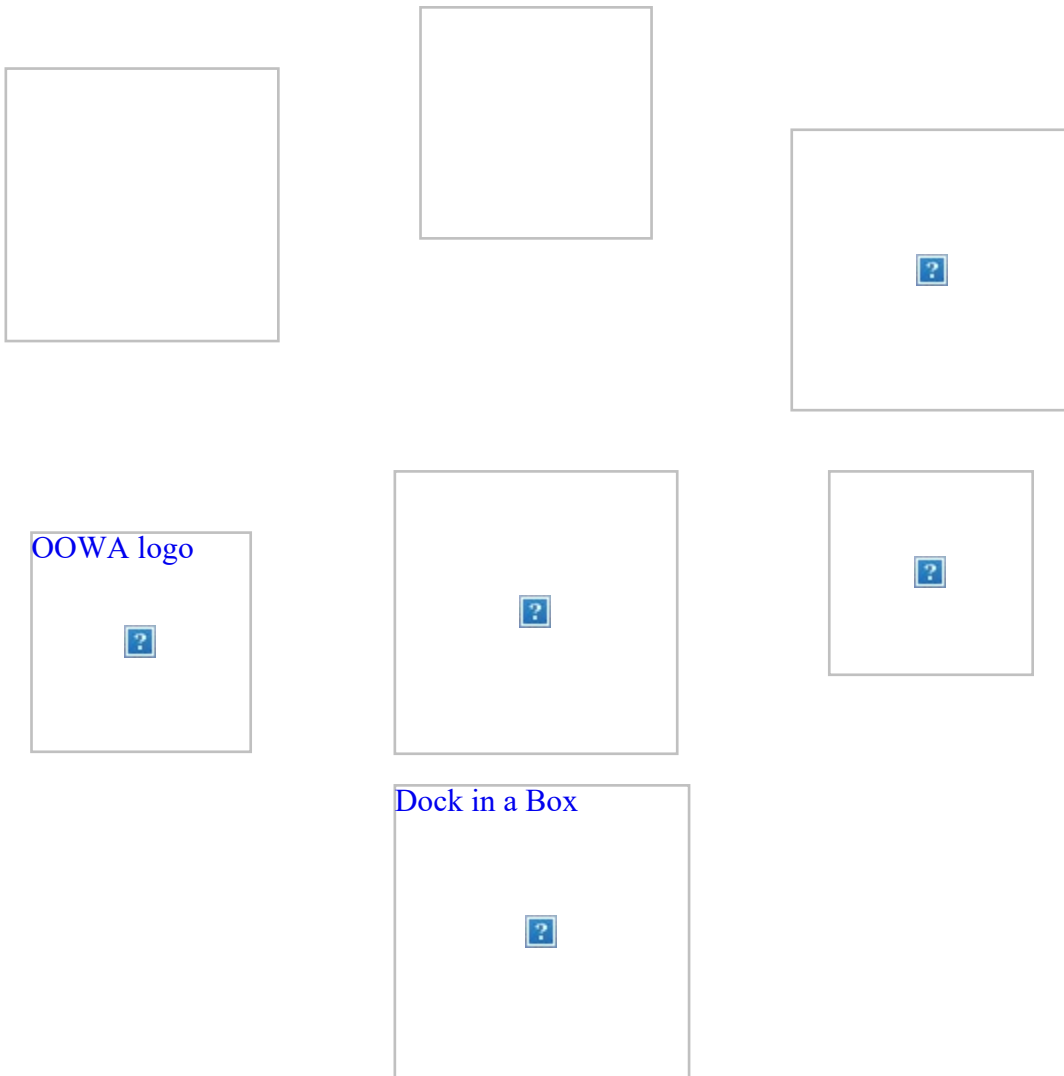
Although the Show is over, you can still register to listen to recordings of all the great content including Terry's talk, as well as our partners speaking about cottage succession planning, responsible cottage rental, boating and cottage safety, and much more. **You can continue to visit the Virtual Show as often as you like until May 31st!**

[Access the Virtual Cottage Life Show & recordings](#)



## FOCA's Bronze level sponsors





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## Final Thoughts

### Turtles are on the move!

Our member groups have started reporting seeing turtles on the move already, which means it's time for a refresher on what to do if you encounter a turtle crossing the road or digging in gravel at the road's edge.

Here's some help:

- [click to watch a video about how to move a turtle safely](#), and
- [download an infographic](#) from the Ontario Turtle Conservation Centre with lots of important tips for turtle encounters.



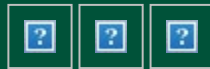
FOCA is the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations,  
the voice of the waterfront for nearly 60 years.



*image: Andy Metelka*

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April 9th, 2021

Hello Mayor John Grant – Township of Brock,

Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Durham (BBBSND) needs you to swing BIG for our Littles! We are excited to host our first fundraising golf tournament and planning is well underway!

On June 18<sup>th</sup>, we will host the **Big Tournament FORE Our Littles** on the greens at Sunnybrae Golf Club in Port Perry. There are lots of fun on course activities planned including two hole in one contests for big prizes, golf skills competitions and more.

An event like this would not be possible without people like you. **Will you consider supporting the event with a prize donation or \$50 Hole sponsorship?**

You can help enable life-changing mentoring relationships right here in North Durham. For 45 years, BBBSND has been our community's leading child and youth mentorship organization. Our volunteer mentors have devoted countless hours helping ignite the power and potential of young people.

While we have moved to virtual mentoring, that has not stopped our programs. Our in-school programs, virtual group mentoring and Traditional Big Brother Big Sister Mentoring program have continued and supported our Little's through the past year. All of our programs strive to foster a child's personal growth, increase self-esteem, self-confidence and improve overall resiliency.

Funds raised at the tournament will support our mentorship programs for the youth of Scugog, Uxbridge and Brock Townships.

If you are a golfer and would like to enter the tournament you can register online on our website: [northdurham.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/events/golf](http://northdurham.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/events/golf)

Know someone who golfs who might be interested? Please pass along the tournament information!

**We know this has been a challenging year. Your help in any way you see possible would be amazing and help make this event a success.**

Thank you for considering our request!

Joanna Thornton  
Special Events & Fundraising  
Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Durham  
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If you have any questions, please contact Nicholas Ruder at (416) 971-9856 x411 or by email at [nruder@amo.on.ca](mailto:nruder@amo.on.ca).

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Passing this along in case you may not have received. Also worth sharing with your AACs.

-Sarah


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Dear stakeholder,

Our annual public meeting is fast approaching, and you are invited! We consider you an important partner and value your thoughts and expertise on accessibility. Your voice can help making Canada accessible. We want you to be a part of the discussion.

**About the event: Making Canada accessible**  
 This is our first annual public meeting, and we have a lot to share. The event is free and will happen virtually on May 31, 2021 at 1:00 pm Eastern Standard Time.

It will be an opportunity to:

- meet our Board of Directors and CEO;
- learn about our role, our achievements, and our future plans;
- hear from accessibility experts; and
- share thoughts and ask questions on accessibility areas related to our mandate.

For more information, [visit our event page](#).

**Register today**  
 Registration is required for this event. Space is limited. [Register here](#) – you have until May 14 to do so.

If you need help registering or have questions, please contact us by email or by calling 1-833-854-7628.


**How to join**  
 Closer to the event, we will send participation details to those who are registered. Use this information on the day of the event to join us online. There will also be the option to call-in and listen to the event.

Our goal is to make Canada accessible for all, and this is not possible without you. Please share this invitation with anyone in your network that would like to attend.

Our board of directors is excited to see you – watch their [video invitation here](#). See you there!

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Chère partie prenante,

Notre assemblée publique annuelle approche à grands pas, et vous êtes invité ! Nous vous considérons comme un partenaire important et nous valorisons vos réflexions et votre expertise en matière d'accessibilité. Votre voix peut contribuer à rendre le Canada accessible. Nous voulons que vous preniez part à la discussion.

**À propos de l'événement : Rendre le Canada accessible**

Il s'agit de notre première assemblée publique annuelle, et nous avons beaucoup de choses à partager. L'événement est gratuit et aura lieu virtuellement le 31 mai 2021 à 13 h, heure normale de l'Est.

Ce sera l'occasion :

- de rencontrer notre conseil d'administration et notre PDG ;
- d'en savoir plus sur notre rôle, nos réalisations et nos projets d'avenir ;
- d'entendre parler d'experts en accessibilité ; et
- de partager des pensées et de poser des questions sur les domaines d'accessibilité liés à notre mandat.

Pour plus d'informations, [consultez la page de notre événement](#).

**Inscrivez-vous dès aujourd'hui**

L'inscription est obligatoire pour cet événement. Le nombre de places est limité. [Inscrivez-vous ici](#) - vous avez jusqu'au 14 mai pour le faire.

Si vous avez besoin d'aide pour vous inscrire ou si vous avez des questions, veuillez nous contacter par courriel ou par téléphone au 1-833-854-7628.

**Comment nous joindre**

À l'approche de l'événement, nous enverrons les détails de participation à ceux qui se sont inscrits. Utilisez ces informations le jour de l'événement pour vous joindre à nous en ligne. Il sera aussi possible de téléphoner et d'écouter l'événement.

Notre objectif est de rendre le Canada accessible à tous, et cela n'est pas possible sans vous. Veuillez partager cette invitation avec toute personne de votre réseau qui souhaiterait y assister.

Notre conseil d'administration a hâte de vous voir – [regardez leur vidéo d'invitation](#). Au plaisir de vous y voir!

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The Honourable Patty Hajdu  
 Federal Minister of Health  
 House of Commons  
 Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6  
 Via email: [Patty.Hajdu@pal.gc.ca](mailto:Patty.Hajdu@pal.gc.ca)

April 20<sup>th</sup> 2021

Sent via e-mail

**Re: Support for 988, a 3-Digit Suicide and Crisis Prevention Hotline**

Please be advised that on April 14<sup>th</sup> 2021 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support The Town of Caledon letter endorsing the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help.

***Motion #16*** – Moved by Tim Wilkins, Seconded by Mike Vasey that Council support correspondence item 'o' from the Town of Caledon regarding support for 988, a 3-digit suicide crisis prevention hotline.

***Motion Carried.***

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

Erin Kwarciak  
 Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

cc. The Honourable Christine Elliott, Minister of Health, Ontario - [christine.elliott@ontario.ca](mailto:christine.elliott@ontario.ca)  
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*Allan Thompson*  
Mayor

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Sent via E-Mail to: [Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca)

March 31, 2021

The Honourable Patty Hajdu  
Federal Minister of Health  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Ms. Hajdu,

**RE: SUPPORT FOR 988, A 3-DIGIT SUICIDE AND CRISIS PREVENTION HOTLINE**

I am writing to advise that at the Town Council meeting held on March 30, 2021, Council adopted a resolution endorsing the 988 crisis line initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help.

The resolution reads as follows:

*Whereas the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;*

*Whereas the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200%;*

*Whereas existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;*

*Whereas in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;*

*Whereas the Town of Caledon recognized that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;*

*Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Caledon endorses this 988 crisis line initiative; and*

*That a letter demonstrating Caledon's support be sent to Kyle Seeback, MP, Dufferin-Caledon, the Honourable Sylvia Jones, MPP, Dufferin-Caledon, the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Federal Minister of Health, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications (CRTC) and all municipalities in Ontario.*

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*Allan Thompson*  
*Mayor*

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Thank you for your attention to this very important matter. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Allan Thompson  
Mayor

Cc. Kyle Seeback, MP Dufferin-Caledon, [Kyle.Seeback@parl.gc.ca](mailto:Kyle.Seeback@parl.gc.ca)  
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## Township of The Archipelago

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**Moved by Councillor Barton  
Seconded by Councillor Manner**

### **RE: Road Management Action On Invasive Phragmites**

**WHEREAS** Phragmites australis (Phragmites) is an invasive perennial grass that continues to cause severe damage to wetlands and beaches in areas around the Great Lakes including Georgian Bay; and

**WHEREAS** Phragmites australis grows and spreads rapidly, allowing the plant to invade new areas and grow into large monoculture stands in a short amount of time, and is an allelopathic plant that secretes toxins from its roots into the soil which impede the growth of neighboring plant species; and

**WHEREAS** Phragmites australis results in loss of biodiversity and species richness, loss of habitat, changes in hydrology due to its high metabolic rate, changes in nutrient cycling as it is slow to decompose, an increased fire hazard due to the combustibility of its dead stalks, and can have an adverse impact on agriculture, particularly in drainage ditches; and

**WHEREAS** invasive Phragmites has been identified as Canada's worst invasive plant species by Agriculture and Agrifood Canada; and

**WHEREAS** the Ontario government has made it illegal to import, deposit, release, breed/grow, buy, sell, lease or trade invasive Phragmites under the Invasive Species Act; and

**WHEREAS** Phragmites occupy over 4,800 hectares of land around Lake St. Clair alone, while 212 hectares of Phragmites occupy land along the St. Lawrence River. The Georgian Bay Area is particularly affected by Phragmites australis, with more than 700 stands along the shorelines and multiple visible stands on the highways and roads that threaten valuable infrastructure and wetland areas; and

**WHEREAS** volunteers, non-governmental organizations, and various municipalities have invested tens of thousands of dollars in investments and labour annually for more than eight years in executing managements plans to control invasive Phragmites on roads, coasts, shorelines and in wetlands; and

**WHEREAS** roads and highways where Phragmites that are left untreated become spread vectors that continually risk new and treated wetlands and coastal shoreline areas; and

**WHEREAS** according to “Smart Practices for the Control of Invasive Phragmites along Ontario’s Roads” by the Ontario Phragmites Working Group, best road management practices for Phragmites australis include early detection, herbicide application, and cutting; and

**WHEREAS** these best management practices are most effective when used in a multi-pronged approach as opposed to when used as stand-alone control measures; and

**WHEREAS** mother nature does not recognize political boundaries. Therefore, it is imperative that Municipalities, Districts, the Province, and the Federal government work together in collaboration to eradicate Canada’s worst invasive plant species Phragmites australis;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to implement best management practices to promote early detection of invasive Phragmites, and to implement best management practices for invasive Phragmites, and to join the Ontario Phragmites Working Group to collaborate on the eradication of Phragmites in Ontario.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs staff to insert clean equipment protocols into tenders and that there is oversight that the protocols are followed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago requests the Ontario Ministry of Transportation to map and treat invasive Phragmites annually on all its highways; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO) communicates the strategy on mapping (detecting sites) and controlling invasive Phragmites on provincial highways, the specific highway management plans and results by each MTO region and each highway in the region and work in coordination with the Township of The Archipelago; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago directs its staff to send this resolution to all municipalities that are part of the Georgian Bay watershed, to all municipalities in the Great Lakes watershed, to the Minister of Transportation, Christopher Balasa the Manager, Maintenance Management Office, and MPP Norman Miller.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that Council for the Corporation of the Township of The Archipelago requests all levels of government to consider funding support to aid the Township of The Archipelago in managing invasive phragmites; and directs staff to send a copy of this resolution to the Ontario Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada.

**Carried.**

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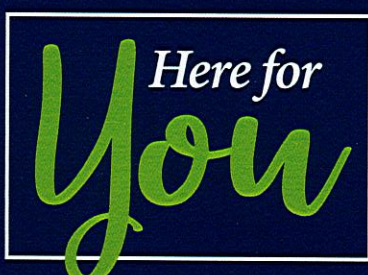
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CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALVIN  
**Resolution**

DATE: April 13, 2021 NO. 2021-097

MOVED BY Heather Olmstead

SECONDED BY Sandy Cross

“THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Calvin supports the Norfolk County Agricultural Advisor Board’s letter dated December 20, 2020 regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers, and;

THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the Honourable Vic Fedeli, MPP and circulated to all municipalities in Ontario. ”

CARRIED  \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION VOTE

<u>NAME OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NAY</u>
<u>Coun Cross</u>	<u>X</u>	_____
<u>Coun Maxwell</u>	<u>X</u>	_____
<u>Coun Olmstead</u>	<u>X</u>	_____
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<u>Mayor Pennell</u>	<u>X</u>	_____





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February 23, 2021

The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson  
Minister of Environment and Climate Change  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau  
Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food  
House of Commons  
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Ministers,

I am writing to advise that Norfolk County Council supports the attached Norfolk County Agricultural Advisory Board's letter regarding the application of the carbon tax on primary agriculture producers. It is the recommendation of Norfolk County Council that the Federal Government consider the concerns of the agricultural community and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes. Please find attached the full recommendation.

Thank you for your attention,

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristal Chopp".

Kristal Chopp  
Mayor, Norfolk County

P.c. Norfolk County Council  
Association of Municipalities of Ontario  
Federation of Canadian Municipalities  
Ontario Municipalities

Dec 7, 2020

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, MP  
Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food House of Commons  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Bibeau

Our agricultural advisory board (AAB) who represents the agricultural sector in Norfolk County, Ontario is very concerned about the federal government's current carbon pricing policies. It is our hope that you consider our concerns and move to exempt all primary agriculture producers from current and future carbon taxes.

Carbon tax remains as a major cost of production for producers in Norfolk County. Although some farm fuel purchases are exempt, it is selective and does not meet the needs of the entire agriculture industry. Currently crop drying, heating/cooling of livestock barns and cooling of perishable commodities are still subject to full carbon taxes.

Currently there are no replacements for fossil fuels in agricultural production. As a result, carbon tax policies are not appropriate for the agricultural sector and only decrease farm margins.

Norfolk County which is known as Ontario's garden is home to one of the country's largest diversity of crop production. In addition to the extensive vegetable, fruit and grain production it boasts some of the highest ecological diverse natural habitats, plants and animals in Canada. There is approximately 25% tree cover in the county which is the highest percentage of forested land in Southwestern Ontario. Norfolk County It is also home to over 10,000 acres of woodlots and wetlands protected under Long Point Conservation Authority. In addition to the natural woodlots and wetlands there is also extensive fruit production with 2000 acres of apples and 1000 acres of sour cherries. A mature orchard can fix upwards of 18 mt of CO<sub>2</sub> annually.

The adoption of production practices to protect the soil and environment are advanced in Norfolk County. There has been a wide implementation of cover cropping, planting green and reduced tillage practices all of which sequester carbon. Additional farming practices of 4R nutrient management coupled with precision technology ensure that appropriate nutrients are applied at the right time, place and rate. In many cases sensitive water sources around ponds and wetlands are planted with buffer strips and soil erosion control measures of grassed waterways and windbreaks are also common practices. ALUS (alternative land use) programs have been embraced across the county, taking unproductive land out of production, and returning it to natural native grass plantings, trees and constructed wetlands. Currently there are 1148 active projects with 189 producers covering 1573 acres in Norfolk County managed under the ALUS program.

The agriculture industry has made great strides to protect the environment and will continue to improve production practices that reduces the carbon footprint in food production.

The AAB board believes that all on farm fuels used in agricultural production should be exempt from carbon tax. This should include natural gas, propane, gas, and diesel. We strongly urge the government to be consistent with a sector wide exemption to current carbon tax policies.

Sincerely,

Dustin Zamecnik  
Chair of Norfolk County Agriculture Advisory Board

**From:** [Greenbelt Foundation](#)  
**To:** [Becky Jamieson](#)  
**Subject:** Updates from Greenbelt Foundation: Retirement Announcement  
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## Greenbelt Foundation



Dear Becky,

I am writing to let you know that after many years of service to the Greenbelt Foundation, Kathy Macpherson, Vice President for Research and Policy, will be retiring from the Foundation in mid-May.

Kathy has been an invaluable leader and contributor to our work since she joined the Foundation in 2008 as our first Research and Policy director. In this role she oversaw some important ground-breaking work including:

- Profiling the diversity of agriculture in the Greenbelt and the importance of the agricultural system
- Initiating valuation of ecological goods and services in the region
- Convening an international conference on Greenbelt regions

During the 10-year Coordinated Land Use Policy Review process, Kathy played a critical role on behalf of the Foundation, convening a cross-section of diverse stakeholders to discuss how to improve the policies in the provincial Plans.

Over time, Kathy's role expanded to include oversight of the Greenbelt Fund. Under her leadership, the Fund made a unique contribution to the awareness and growth of the local food system in Ontario. Along with others on her team, her contribution to a stronger, more vibrant local food system and culture will be a lasting personal legacy.

I would like to thank Kathy for her many achievements on behalf of the Foundation and for her invaluable role as a community builder with our many partners and stakeholders.

To Kathy, we wish you all the best, and we hope you enjoy a happy, healthy, well-deserved retirement!

Sincerely,  
Edward McDonnell  
CEO, Greenbelt Foundation

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"Via Email: [premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

April 21, 2021

The Honourable Doug Ford  
 Premier of Ontario  
 Legislative Building  
 Queen's Park  
 Toronto, ON  
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Dear Premier Ford:

**Re: Support for Fire Departments**

This will serve to advise you that Council, at its regular meeting held Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 passed the following resolution in support of the Township of Hudson's resolution pertaining to the above noted:

**"Resolution No.: 103-2021**

**Moved by: Councillor Daniel Bélisle**

**Seconded by: Councillor Shea Henderson**

**BE IT RESOVLED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane endorses and supports the resolution from the Township of Hudson that the Federal and Provincial Government includes apparatuses, training, equipment and structures for fire departments as eligible categories to any further infrastructure programs which will not only provide immediate stimulus to the local, provincial and federal economies given current economic uncertainty but also ensure the safety of Canadians and dedicated firefighters.

**CARRIED"**

Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated!

Yours truly,

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE**

Alice Mercier  
 Clerk

/am

c.c.: Hon. Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Hon. Laurie Scott, Minister of Infrastructure, Charlie Angus, MP, Timmins – James Bay, John Vanthof, MPP, Timiskaming – Cochrane, Jon Pegg, Ontario Fire Marshal, Ontario Association of Fire Chiefs, Ontario Municipalities.



**“VIA EMAIL”**

April 21, 2021

The Corporation of the Township of Hudson  
903303 Hanbury Road  
New Liskeard, ON  
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Attention: Jordan Kemp – Clerk/Treasurer

Dear Ms. Kemp:

**Re: Support for Fire Departments**

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter and resolution dated March 31, 2021 pertaining to the above noted.

This will also serve to advise you that your correspondence was received by Council at its regular meeting held Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 and the following resolution was passed:

**“Resolution No.: 103-2021**

**Moved by: Councillor Daniel Bélisle Seconded by :Councillor Shea Henderson**

**BE IT RESOVLED THAT** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Cochrane endorses and supports the resolution from the Township of Hudson that the Federal and Provincial Government includes apparatuses, training, equipment and structures for fire departments as eligible categories to any further infrastructure programs which will not only provide immediate stimulus to the local, provincial and federal economies given current economic uncertainty but also ensure the safety of Canadians and dedicated firefighters.

**CARRIED”**

Trusting that this action of Council will be of assistance, I remain

Yours truly,

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF COCHRANE**



Alice Mercier  
Clerk

/am



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April 21, 2021

**Re: Resolution - City of Cambridge Council – Request for Paid Sick Leave**

At the Special Council Meeting of April 20, 2021, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Cambridge passed the following motion:

Mover: Councillor Wolf  
Seconder: Councillor Reid

WHEREAS as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and the increase in cases in Ontario, our hospitals and Intensive Care Units s are overrun with people sick with the virus;

AND WHEREAS according to the Provincial Science Advisory Table on COVID-19 we need to protect essential workers and support them with paid sick leave;

AND WHEREAS it is being reported that the drivers of transmission are indoor work places, particularly industrial workplaces, warehouses, and distribution centres;

AND WHEREAS the COVID-19 crisis has unmasked the inequalities in our Province as most of the people now getting sick are the most vulnerable in our society and are those who cannot afford to stay home and often live and work in crowded conditions;

AND WHEREAS Workers who are denied paid sick days do not avoid illness, they bring the infections to work with them, and they transmit them to their coworkers, employees without paid sick leave;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Cambridge Council urge the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier to require Ontario employers to provide no less than five paid sick days annually to workers — after three months of employment — by amending the



Employment Standards Act, 2000, or through a different mechanism and to provide necessary funding, fiscal relief and/or support to employers so that all workers in Ontario have access to no less than 10 paid sick days annually in the event of a declared infectious disease emergency, such as the COVID-19 pandemic and ensure all Ontario workers have access to protected and paid emergency leave so care can be provided to children, parents, and/or other family members who may become ill and that all workers may receive paid time off to enable them to receive the COVID-19 Vaccine.

AND FURTHER that upon Council's approval of this motion that it be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Provincial Minister of Labour, the Premier, and each Ontario municipality.

Should you have any questions related to the approved resolution, please contact me.

Yours truly,



Danielle Manton  
City Clerk

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### Guest Column\*

With spring underway, Hydro One is reminding communities across Ontario to prepare for the potential risk of localized flooding. The Community Relations team is here to support your community in the event of a flood.

### AMO Matters

Every year at the AMO Conference the PJ Marshall Awards recognize municipal excellence and innovation in capital projects, operating efficiencies and new approaches to service delivery. If you have something you are proud to share, the deadline for 2021 submissions is May 28, 2021.

### Eye on Events

This year's AMO conference program features issues that matter to you: broadband, long-term care reform, community paramedicine, housing and neighbourhood

revitalization, policing, CAs, CBAs, speeches by the Premier, opposition leaders, and Ministers, along with 3 Ministers' forums and provincial delegation meetings. [Register by April 30](#) to take advantage of the early-bird rate.

Join AMO in discussion with City of Brantford CAO Brian Hutchings and Director of Facilities Management and Security, Lisa Sordo. Learn how Brantford moved from decision to implementation and the anticipated positive impact on employees and the city. [Join this free webinar](#) April 23, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm EST.

AMO has joined with the Loomex Group to offer training that provides tools for elected officials to build resilience and strength in providing leadership through and beyond COVID-19. This important training has limited capacity - [register today](#).

The AMO Annual Conference remains the premier event for sponsors and exhibitors to connect with municipal leadership. This year's conference offers a number of new sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities to explore your role at the 2021 conference contact: [Christine Gallagher](#).

Counting down to April 30, you have 8 days to take advantage of the reduced conference registration rate under our early bird offer. Register by the [April 30 deadline](#).

## **LAS**

LAS Home and Auto Insurance program partner Cowan insurance is offering [Private Client services](#) to LAS employees, AMO members, and existing participants in the program. [Read more](#) about this offering and how you can save time and money.

The Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines is now accepting [O. Reg. 507/18](#) annual energy reports. Reporting is for the energy used in 2019 and due by July 1, 2021. [Ministry information webinars](#) will be on **April 28 (note corrected date)**, May 12 and 26, and June 9 and 23. Got questions? Email [BPSsupport@ontario.ca](mailto:BPSsupport@ontario.ca).

Take advantage of available lighting incentives to reduce energy consumption in your municipal facilities. Contact [Christian Tham](#) today for a no-obligation budget proposal through our turn-key [Facility Lighting Service](#).

LAS has several [virtual or in-person workshops](#) to help staff identify energy savings opportunities in municipal facilities. Led by renowned instructors including Stephen Dixon, you're sure to learn a lot about energy conservation and have fun while doing it. Contact [Christian Tham](#) to book a session for the fall.

Did you know that [Earth Day](#) started on April 22, 1970, making it 51 years young today? This was the start of the modern environmental movement and the theme for 2021 is "Restore Our Earth." In communities across the globe, people are taking action to address climate change. Take a moment to think about what you can do in your community today and the weeks ahead.

Our spring webinar series for the [Municipal Group Buying Program](#) continues. Join us

**May 5 at 2:00 pm** to hear from one of our many Arena Product suppliers. With warmer temperatures, now is the perfect time to get your arenas in tip-top shape for the fall. Don't get caught on thin ice; [skate on over to register here](#).

### **Municipal Wire\***

Municipal Councils in Ontario are faced with challenges that are fundamental to the future growth of their communities. The Ontario Professional Planners Institute will lead a conversation with council and staff on how delegation of planning approvals could be leveraged. If COVID has taught anything, it is the importance of a planning system that is adaptable and allows local development plans and projects to continue during extenuating circumstances. [Register for this free session](#) on April 23.

[Register today for Element5's webinar May 12 from 11 - 12pm on "Affordable and Sustainable Mass Timber Housing Solutions."](#)

Tarion launched a [new consultation](#) that includes a proposal to share information with municipalities related to Ontario Building Code issues. Feedback can be submitted to [submissions@tarion.com](mailto:submissions@tarion.com) by April 30, 2021.

### **Careers**

[Director, Economics, Justice & International Relations Policy - Cabinet Office \(Ontario Public Service - OPS\)](#). Diversifying leadership teams is a top OPS priority, with the goal to achieve parity with the Ontario labour force by 2025 for the most underrepresented groups (Indigenous, racialized and persons with disabilities) in leadership positions. Location: Toronto. Job Term: 1 Permanent. Please apply online, only, by Monday, May 3, 2021, by visiting [Ontario Public Service Careers](#).

[Treasurer / Deputy Clerk - Township of Melancthon](#). The Township is a rural community located in the northwest corner of Dufferin County with a population of approximately 3,000. Position reports to the CAO. Applicants are invited to submit in confidence a detailed cover letter and resume by May 10, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. local time to: Denise B. Holmes, AMCT, CAO/Clerk, Township of Melancthon, 157101 Highway 10, Melancthon, Ontario L9V 2E6. Email: [Denise.Holmes](mailto:Denise.Holmes).

[Manager, Communications & Engagement \(Bilingual - English/French\) - City of Greater Sudbury](#). Position Status: Permanent. Please submit your résumé in confidence by May 10, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. by email: [hrjobs@greatersudbury.ca](mailto:hrjobs@greatersudbury.ca), or by fax: 705.688.3979. Any application received after this deadline will not be considered. Please reference the Employment Opportunity number (EX21-258) on your resume.

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