

April 2013 Update

This report is an update of those projects specified in the Lake Plan that have been active over last Winter.

Update Official Plans

John Brenciaglia has actively participated in a Huntsville committee with the aim of preserving large forested areas in Huntsville by the inclusion of a Natural Heritage Area designation in the Official Plan. The achievement so far has been the Town's acceptance in principle of a working group of expert volunteers to confirm by field work which areas need the designation.

Site Plan Control

A Deerhurst Working Group of PLA members led by Paul Singleton has worked with the planners of Huntsville and of Skyline (owner of Deerhurst) to define a Site Plan that would mitigate the environmental impact of the new Lakeside Lodge. This is a large condominium building replacing the original Deerhurst Lodge.

Monitoring

A workshop has been organized with the University of Waterloo for this May 25th. Its purpose is to compare the water quality monitoring done across lakes in Central Ontario. The aim is to learn what lessons were learned on technologies used, on data preservation and analysis, and on results exploitation for protection and improvement of water quality.

Working With Partners

Peninsula and Fairy Lake Associations have initiated a project for the removal of obstacles to safe boating along the Canal. A small number of logs near the surface of the water have been identified and three quotations from potential contractors have been obtained.