

Notice of Completion for Projects on Park Mainland and Park Islands and Opportunity to Inspect Environmental Study Report

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Ontario Parks invites inspection of the final Environmental Study Report for its proposal to undertake resource management projects on the islands of Presqu'île Provincial Park. The Ministry of Natural Resources has also completed project evaluations for its proposal to undertake resource management projects on the mainland of Presqu'île Provincial Park. The following Category B and C projects have been evaluated in accordance with the Class Environmental Assessment for Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves (Class EA). The projects are intended to support the maintenance and restoration of ecological integrity as one of the guiding principles for park management and planning under the *Ontario's Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act, 2006*.

Category B/Park Mainland

Projects on the park mainland are deer management, vegetation restoration, control of nuisance/invasive wildlife species, and control of erosion or stabilization of shoreline or bank.

These projects are presented in an implementation plan for the park mainland. A Category B project evaluation and consultation process was carried out in accordance with the Class EA, and it identified low to medium environmental effects, most of which are positive.

Category C/Park Islands

The implementation plan for the park islands, which describes cormorant, deer, and vegetation management projects on the park islands, has now been completed. The islands implementation plan fulfills the Class EA Environmental Study Report (ESR) requirements. The final plan describes the background and rationale for the projects, the project methods, an evaluation of environmental effects, and the changes made to the draft plan in response to public input.

The implementation plans are available on the Ontario Parks website at:

www.OntarioParks.com/planning. For more information on the project or to obtain copies of the implementation plans please contact:

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If there are concerns about these projects that cannot be resolved in discussion with the Ministry of Natural Resources, interested parties may request the Minister of the Environment to issue a Part II Order requiring an individual environmental assessment under the *Environmental Assessment Act*. For information on what a Part II Order request should contain, consult the Class EA. Requests must be received by the Minister of the Environment within the 30-day comment period, which expires on December 11, 2009, and copied at the same time to the Ministry of Natural Resources at the above address. The address of the Minister of the Environment is: 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 10th Floor, Toronto, ON M4V 1P5.

Interested parties are strongly encouraged to discuss any concerns with the Ministry of Natural Resources, before requesting an individual environmental assessment. If no request is received within the 30-day period, or if a request is successfully resolved, the Ministry of Natural Resources may proceed to implement the project.

The Ministry of Natural Resources is collecting your personal information and comments under the authority of the *Ontario's Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act, 2006* and the *Environmental Assessment Act*. Any personal information you provide (address, name, telephone, etc.) will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, however, your comments will become part of the record of consultation and may be shared with the general public. Your personal information may be used by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) to send you information about future Ministry of Natural Resources planning initiatives in the park area. If you have questions about use of the personal information you provide please contact Pat Walsh, Strategic Planning Officer, Ontario Parks (Tel.: 705-755-1773).