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Capacity Building moving from Resistance to Resilience - Our Story

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About Ontario Trails Council

**Mission - promote
preservation, development,
management and use of
recreational trails.**

- 2 Years of Growth - Many new or retained memberships
- 2 Years of Consolidation - focus on within, processes, governance, sustainability
- 2 Years of Advocacy - prepared many position papers and public comment pieces on trail issues



Assisting Locally by working Provincially

- Marketing and Promotion of OTC
- Marketing and Promotion of trail
- Focus on Community Involvement
Real and Timely Intervention on issues
 - Sharing of Ideas and practices
 - Clarity on where to ride
 - Sharing of Knowledge on trails,
 - Trails in municipal parks
 - Tourism trails
 - Major international trails
 - Conservation areas
 - Trails Program development



Mission - work with communities to implement comprehensive trail management

- Get diverse trail managers together
- 1 year plan to consolidate RMC members
- Definition of regional areas
- Create a short list of regional trail problems
- Share solutions, new practices, funding, programs
- Sustain trails
- Create at least 5 RMC's by year end
- Tie into Significant Government Funding – Infrastructure as per provincial budget
- Tie into Policy as per the Provincial trails Strategy



Corridor Lands

- Remediation of lands towards greenways
- Controlled by Municipalities or Crown Land Agencies
- GTA Greenbelt
- Rail to Trail Conversion one method of utilizing brown zones, corridor lines
- Great grade, poor materials
- Hydro Corridors
- Ontario Hydro, Ontario Realty Corp. and Municipal Act



Our Plans are available for Use by the Trails Community

- We have a community development guidebook
- ATV Ontario Community Development template
- OFSC Trails Specifics Manuals
- OTC How to Build Trail Handbooks
- IMBA Trail Building Manuals - and Course
- Bruce Trail Trail Management Manual
- Bruce-Grey County Trails Management Manual



The Trillium Trail Network will create a sustainable province-wide trail infrastructure that provides trails users with safe, recognizable trails!



OTC leads the way

- **Made changes with PRO/OPA/AMO in tax breaks for municipalities that develop trail**
- **Made changes in the MFTIP - stay of MPAC adjustments**
- **Developed trail consortiums that saw development of trail in Halton Hills, and in completion of Fort Erie - Port Colborne trail**
- **Got trail as part of municipal assessment process**
- **Full Participation in Land Use Management Planning - Greenbelt, Pre-Budget, Occupiers Land Act, Line Fences etc.**
- **Providing Youth Programs through CIAF**
- **Providing Health-Unit Trails Event Co-ordination Province Wide**
- **Cooperatively working to complete the TCT trail in Ontario**



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Conclusion

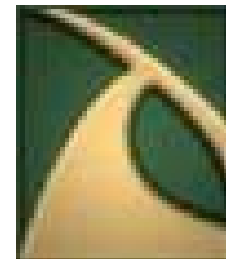


Local Determination

- **Niagara Region** – involves municipal, Canada Parks, Conservation Area, Community and User groups
- **1st outcome** – International Trails Day celebration in Fort Erie June 4, 2005
- **2ND outcome** – current committee meeting already for next year, June 3, 2006!
- **Near North** – Municipalities of Muskoka, Parry Sound, Gravenhurst, Haliburton; involves user groups, atv, snow clubs, FON, and Health Units, MNR
- **1st outcome** - formation of a working group to move trail issues forward, met April 9, formed April 9 – dealing with MTO issues

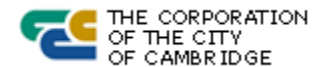


 Niagara Region



Local Determination

- **Mid-West Region**– involves municipal, tourism, health, Cambridge, Woodstock, Brantford,
- **1st outcome** – initial meeting June 2005, discussed completion of TCT Trail
- **2ND outcome** – meeting in Ingersoll to discuss additional projects, next steps TCT
- **Eastern Region** – Municipalities of Kawartha Lakes, City of Peterborough, Eastern Ontario Communities through EOTA; involves user groups, atv, snow clubs, FON, and Health Units, MNR
- **1st outcome** - coalescing a working group to move trail issues forward, met April 9, formed April 9 – dealing with MTO issues



Local Determination

- **North Bay Region** – involves municipal, tourism, Cities of North Bay, Ministry of Health Promotion, Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of Tourism, Discovery Route Trails Organization and others.
- **1st outcome** – initial meeting November 24 2005, discussed RMC formation
- **2ND meeting** – meeting in North Bay Feb 8th to define project and functions
- **Thunder Bay Region** – Municipalities of Thunder Bay, Health Unit, Fed Nor, OFSC, MNR, MDM others.
- **1st outcome** - coalescing a working group Dec 7-9, 2005
- **2ND meeting** – in Thunder Bay March 2006

