



NPLRA COMMENTS

TSW PANEL HEARINGS



NPLRA

- NORTHERN PIGEON LAKE
- REPRESENT 100 HOMEOWNERS
- WATERFRONT LIFESTYLE
- WATER QUALITY
- LAKE FRONT DEVELOPMENT
- PROPERTY VALUES
- WEED CONTROL
- TAXES
- COUNCIL LIAISON
- PRESERVE AND PROTECT – BUT USE



ISSUES

WATER LEVELS AND FLOW

- COMPETING NEEDS
- LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENT
- RELIABLE LOCK OPERATION
- SAFE BOATING
- WATER QUALITY
- PROTECT SPAWNING BEDS
- PROPERTY VALUES



ISSUES

GOVERNANCE

- FEDERAL CONTROL
- POLICING
- SAFETY
- NAV AIDS - MAINTAIN
- TRANSPARENT COORDINATION
- NATIONAL TREASURE



ISSUES

SYSTEM REPAIRS/IMPROVEMENTS

- \$200 MILLION?
- PUBLIC/ASSOCIATION INVOLVEMENT
- PROVINCIAL INPUTS
- MUNICIPALITY INPUTS
- PRIORITIZE NEEDS
- ADEQUATE ANNUAL REPAIR BUDGET



ISSUES

PROMOTION

- LACK OF PROMOTION
- BEST KEPT SECRET
- FISHING – CARP, MUSKIE
- EXTENSION OF INLAND WATERWAY
- LIFESTYLE, BEYOND RECREATION
- US, INTERNATIONAL MARKETS
- PUBLICIZE OVERALL ECONOMIC IMPACT



ISSUES

SOURCES OF FUNDING

- INCREASED LOCKAGE – TRIP COST, HOURS, PROMOTION, DOCKAGE, INNOVATION
- LAND VISITOR FEES
- COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT
- HYDRO POWER – CURRENT, FUTURE
- SELL NON-CORE ASSETS
- FOUNDATIONS, LAND TRUSTS
- NO DOWNLOADING



ISSUES

BUREAUCRACY

- NOT USER FRIENDLY
- CONFRONTATIONAL WITH RESIDENTS
- WATER OVER USERS
- WEEDS OVER COTTAGERS
- CONFUSION RE: JURISDICTION
- WORK WITH ASSOCIATIONS
- OMBUDSMAN



MAJOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- MAINTAIN FEDERAL CONTROL
- MAINTAIN ADEQUATE WATER FLOW
- INVOLVE OTHER STAKEHOLDERS
- PROMOTE WATERWAY INTERNATIONALLY
- LAND VISITOR FEES
- SELL NON-CORE ASSETS
- MAKE TSW MORE USER FRIENDLY
- CREATE A TSW OMBUDSMAN