

Perspective for Progress

Presented to: Trent-Severn Waterway Panel

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Critical Points of Interest

- Final report to be submitted by September
- Serious water/carp problem on Sturgeon & Scugog Lakes and now entering Pigeon
- Need to be proactive and develop a Team approach to resolution and prevention
- Parks Canada can play a critical role while creating its future for the Waterway



T-SW Panel

- A Working Management Plan
 - 🚧 Research, commitment, implementation, evaluation and on-going improvements
- Cohesively Coordinated Team
 - 🚧 Federal, Provincial, Municipal, Stakeholder resources



T-SW Panel – Vision

- Canadian owned - effectively and cohesively managed
- Team management
- Community & municipal cooperation to success
- Branding, Marketing , Education and promotion
 - Within and beyond Ontario
- Environmental Thrust
- Research & analysis on power generation development



T-SW Panel – Water Management

- In partnership with MNR, MOE, Health, Municipal & key stakeholders
- Public awareness and education
 - 🌿 Water quality
 - 🌿 Water Flows
 - 🌿 Related ecosystems



T-SW Panel – Legislative Requirements

- Commitment to asset management
- Complete budget review to sustainability of Waterways
- Federal, Provincial & Municipal joint venture to waterways/and environment – prevents becoming a political platform issue



T-SW Panel – Sustainable Communities

- Annual management plan review
- Cooperative goals and yearly objectives
- Joint financial commitments
- Development Initiatives



T-SW Panel – Cultural Heritage

- Key link to marketing efforts and community sustainability
- Passion and Pride within our communities



T-SW Panel – Natural Environment

- Water quality
- Aquatic management, sustainability and protection
- Shoreline development/retention
- Public education and commitment



T-SW Panel – Visitor Experience

- Lock station property development
 - 🌿 Usable parkland
 - 🌿 Sponsored events – Art in The Park, Sunday afternoon jazz/classical music
- Boater and Transient Experience
 - 🌿 Transient boater shore power
 - 🌿 Evening security to prevent vessel untying
 - 🌿 Dock extensions (e.g. Lock 32 development in 2006)



T-SW Panel – Future Funding Framework

- Avoid additional water fees
- Avoid budgeting based on lock fees
- Create new opportunities for revenue generation with joint venture municipal, community, and property owners
- Canadians/Ontarians have the right to the use of land, water and air around us. Do not open the doors for surcharges on the natural resources Canadians own.



T-SW Panel – Future Funding Framework

- Parks Canada budget
 - ⚓ Asset management
 - ⚓ Ownership of system by Canadians
 - ⚓ % fuel taxes allocated to System budget
 - ⚓ Investment and allocation of tax \$\$'s
 - ⚓ Review tax structure in France

