



# Panel on the Future of the Trent-Severn Waterway Commission sur l'avenir de la voie navigable Trent-Severn

## Public Consultation Guide

### Background

The Trent-Severn Waterway is a nationally significant historic, cultural, ecological and recreational waterway. Over the years its economic and social environments have changed dramatically, yet the mandate and associated tools for the waterway's management have not.

A six-member independent panel has been appointed to evaluate the waterway's future. The panel members will meet with stakeholders and the public about the many complex issues, challenges and opportunities facing the system.

### How the consultation will work

The consultation will focus on the future mandate and how the waterway will be managed in the future.

Public meetings will be held over the next several months in various communities along the waterway. Additional meetings will be scheduled if necessary.

Groups or individuals are encouraged to make a short presentation to the panel members at one of the meetings, or can send in a written submission. The public consultation phase is expected to be completed by the end of September 2007.

The panel members will review the public input and the results of a number of supporting studies and will submit recommendations to the minister in December 2007.

A number of [discussion papers](#) (link) are being prepared on key issues that the panel members are considering, in order to focus public input. These papers will be posted on this website as soon as they are available.

### Dates and Deadlines

Please check the website at [www.tswpanel.ca](http://www.tswpanel.ca) for meeting dates and locations. They will be posted as soon as they are set.

### How you can provide input

Your input can be:

- Submitted in writing
- Presented in person at one of the public meetings (Please provide a written copy, in advance of the meeting, or at the actual meeting. A written copy of your presentation will ensure your views are accurately recorded.)

If you would like to make a public presentation, you should reserve a spot in advance for one of the public meetings. Numbers will be assigned to each presenter in the order in which they are registered and will be invited to speak. Each speaker will have up to 15 minutes to make their presentation. The next presenter will be called upon immediately when the person ahead of them has finished, even if they have not used up their full fifteen minutes.

The panel members will have up to five minutes to ask questions.

A submission may consist of brief statements, comments or more elaborate analyses and reports. The recommended format is a typed document, in English or French. A brief summary of the content (200 words) would be helpful. Submissions should not exceed ten pages.

Please include contact information including:

- Name
- Organization (if any)
- Title
- Telephone number
- E-mail

Send your advance presentation or submission to:

- [info@tswpanel.ca](mailto:info@tswpanel.ca) (email)
- or mail to 185 King Street Unit 100, Peterborough, K9J 2R8

**To get more information or register to make a presentation contact:**

The Panel on the Future of the Trent Severn Waterway:

185 King Street, Suite 100

Peterborough, ON

K9J 2R8

Phone: 705-741-3613

Toll free: 1-800-558-4137

Fax: 705-741-6245

Email: [info@tswpanel.ca](mailto:info@tswpanel.ca)

**Public Meetings**

Information on the public sessions will be advertised in corridor newspapers, and on the panel website at [www.tswpanel.ca](http://www.tswpanel.ca) as soon as the dates are set.

**Public meetings will be held from 1-5pm and 7-9pm, unless stated otherwise, at the following locations:**

<b>Bobcaygeon</b> – July 3 Kawartha Settlers Village, 85 Dunn St.	<b>Orillia</b> – Aug. 8 TBC
<b>Peterborough</b> – July 4 Lions Club, 347 Burham St.	<b>Lindsay</b> – Aug. 9 TBC
<b>Port Perry</b> – July 5 Scugog Memorial Public Library, 231 Water St.	<b>Minden</b> – Aug. 14 TBC
<b>Trenton</b> – July 24 City Council Chambers, 7 Creswell Drive	<b>Hastings</b> – Aug. 15 TBC
<b>Campbellford</b> – July 25 Royal Canadian Legion, 34 Bridge St. W.	<b>Fenelon Falls</b> – Aug. 16 TBC

<b>Bolsover</b> – July 26 Kirkfield & District Lions Club, 793 Portage Rd (Hwy-48)	<b>Keswick</b> – Sept. 11 TBC
<b>Haliburton</b> – July 28 (11am-4pm) Dysart Arena, 728 Mountain St. (Hwy-121)	<b>Barrie</b> – Sept. 12 TBC
<b>Port Severn</b> – Aug. 7 TBC	<b>Lakefield</b> – Sept. 13 TBC

*Note: All submissions will be posted on the panel website. They will be reviewed prior to being posted to ensure appropriate and respectful language is being used and that personal information is protected under the provisions of the Privacy Act. No acknowledgement or individual response will be provided to those who comment.*

6/19/2007