

Panel on the Future of the Trent Severn Waterway

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Township of Scugog Context

- Population
 - 22,500 (2006)
 - 24,500 (est. 2121)
- Area in Square Kilometres
 - 517
- Number of Parks
 - 28
- Kilometres of Road
 - 410
- 1 of 8 lower tier municipalities in Durham Region (population 500,000)
- Durham Region in GTA (population 3.5 million)
- Totally within the Greenbelt in GTA



Township of Scugog Historical Context

- Mills first built in 1846 at “Scugog Village”
- Lumber trade trans-shipment point
- Renamed Port Perry in 1852
- Dams built in Lindsay caused flooding of Lake Scugog and raised lake level four feet
- Created current lake
- Also created Scugog Island (16 miles long and 2.5 miles wide) – home to First Nations



Township of Scugog

Lake Facts



- Lake Scugog
surface area – 69 km²
- Average depth – 1.4 metres
- Maximum depth – 7.6 metres
- Over 1,200 shoreline properties
 - 400 Residential – CVA \$200 million
- 105 km of shoreline within Township
- The 44 km channel to Port Perry listed in 2000 TSW Management Plan as one of 4 major components in system

What are the essential values of the waterway for Scugog?

- Major Identity
- Residents
- Tourism
- Commerce
- Recreation

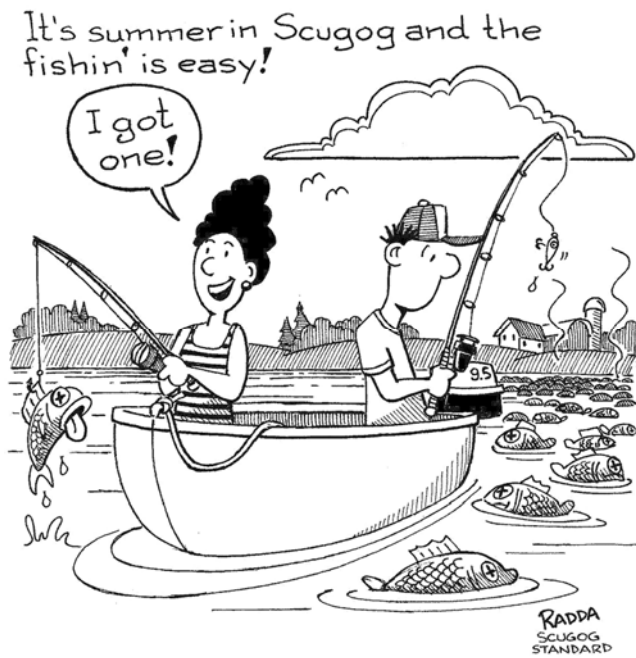


Is the current management decision-making reflecting Scugog's Needs?

- Not sure of the current management decision-making process.
- Limited dialogue between Municipality and TSW
- Very little Municipal understanding of the process.



What tools and changes should be put in place to ensure agencies and orders of government work together?

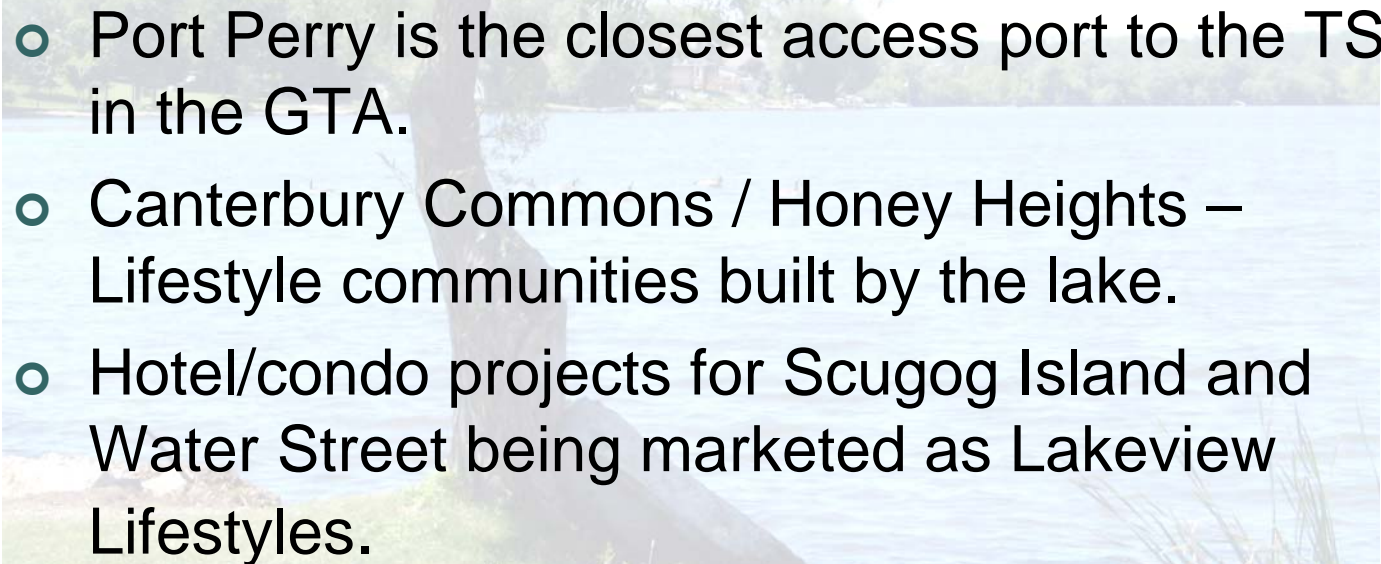


- Clearly defined roles and responsibilities.
- Key contacts.
- Annual Stakeholder meetings to review key issues.



How can communities (Scugog) benefit economically, environmentally and socially from a future sustainable waterway?

Economically

- Port Perry is the closest access port to the TSW in the GTA.
 - Canterbury Commons / Honey Heights – Lifestyle communities built by the lake.
 - Hotel/condo projects for Scugog Island and Water Street being marketed as Lakeview Lifestyles.
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Economically - Tourist Attractions

- Woodman (scenic boat cruises)
- Downtown (BIA) and Waterfront Businesses
- Heritage Tourism: Doors Open features two lakefront properties
- Eco-tourism – fishing, canoeing
- Kent Farndale Art Gallery
- Camp Scugog – Toronto Fresh Air Camp
- Communities in Bloom



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Economically – Marinas

- Marinas – CVA – approx. \$9 million
 - Goreski's – 700 trailer sites, 350 boats
 - Westshore – 140 boats
 - Port Perry – 150 boats



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Economically – Other

- Causeway Bait & Tackle Store
- Other businesses that provide boat supplies and services.
- Bed & Breakfasts



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Environmentally

- 400 waterfront properties directly affected by water quality/quantity changes in system
- Scugog, through KRCA, has developed The Lake Scugog Environmental Management Plan
- Significant Fisheries – bass, pickerel, muskie
 - Lake Scugog Fisheries Management Plan just completed
- Significant wetland complexes
 - Osler Marsh Class 1, Provincial Significance

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Socially

- Canada Day Celebrations – SCC
- Rotary Club Aquarama
- Canoe the Nonquon
- Rowing Regattas – Durham Rowing Club
- Fishing Tournaments
Fish TV
- Caesarea Regatta





What programs should government put in place to ensure this happens?

Our Ideas

- Municipal/Federal Information Session
- Township OP process is underway – TSW should be commenting agency
- One window for issues on the lake
- Share TSW information with stakeholders including municipalities
- World-class asset that needs a marketing / communications plan – recognize economic value of the lake
- Eutrophication is a local concern, but should be addressed system-wide
- Sustainable funding program – recognize the need to invest in this asset