



NVCA Board Meeting Highlights October 27, 2017

Next Board Meeting: November 24, 2017
at Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

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Oak Ridges Moraine Groundwater Program Update

Board members received an update on the Conservation Authorities Moraine Coalition's Oak Ridges Moraine Groundwater Program from Steve Holysh.

The Oak Ridges Moraine is a 1,900 km² geologically significant area that stretches from roughly Peterborough to Caledon. In the Nottawasaga Valley watershed, portions of the Town of New Tecumseth and the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio, are located in the Oak Ridges Moraine.

The Oak Ridges Moraine Groundwater Program (www.oakridgeswater.ca) started in 2001, driven by increased development on the moraine and a recognition that there was a lack of high-quality environmental data and analysis, particularly with respect to groundwater.

Since inception, the program has provided partner agencies, including NVCA, with:

- an actively managed master database of water related information (which is available to member municipalities);
- regional geological and groundwater computerized modelling;
- access to newly acquired field data to fill-in strategic data gaps; and
- technical advice with respect to source water protection programs, official plans and policies updates, and other policy-related matters.

NVCA continues to benefit from this program, accessing scientific, groundwater-focused data to inform decision making. Access to this data also supports the authority's work related to integrated watershed management.

NVCA's participation in the program comes at no cost beyond the commitment of staff time.

In brief

During the meeting the board also:

- approved five-year lease renewals of the New Lowell Conservation Area in Clearview and an agricultural property in Springwater.
- received a third-quarter budget report.

Future Meetings and Events

Nature Days for Homeschoolers

Wednesday, Nov 15, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

Latonnell Conservation Symposium

Tuesday to Thursday, Nov 21 – 23
Nottawasaga Inn Resort & Convention Centre,
Alliston

For more information on these events, please visit the [NVCA website](http://nvca.on.ca).