



South Nation Conservation Watershed Update

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Port of Prescott Monitoring, Project Management Approved



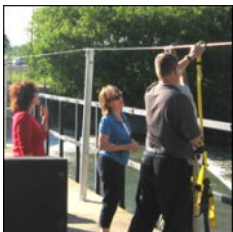
The Port of Prescott, having received all the necessary environmental approvals, began the construction of a \$17 million new wharf. SNC will undertake the environmental compliance monitoring and environmental project management for the construction. The Board of Directors approved providing these services on a full cost recovery basis, in accordance with the Port of Prescott purchasing policy. The total budget for the project is approximately \$400,000.

New Project Combines Art & Science in South Nation Watershed



SNC will work with the Bishops Mills Natural History Centre to present 'Art and Science in the South Nation Watershed'. In this unique project, Dr. Fred Schueler collects and interprets scientific data while his wife Aleta Karstad paints the site. The project is supported through the sale of paintings, which can be viewed and purchased on karstaddailypaintings.blogspot.com. Expedition research and paintings will be showcased at SNC on November 24th, from 6—8:30. pm. The evening will also feature a one-hour film in celebration of International Year of the Forest.

Funding Committee Visits Water Control Structures



The provincial Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI) program committee recently toured several watershed sites, including SNC dams at Chesterville and Chrysler where many WECI-funded improvements have been implemented. SNC has received \$70,000 in WECI funding so far this year, covering 50 percent of the costs of dam safety assessments at Chesterville, Chrysler and the Plantagenet weir, along with new marker buoys.

New Sponsorship Program for Agri-Environmental Outreach



A new program managed by SNC's Clean Water Committee (CWC) will provide grants of up to \$500 for environmental outreach and education related to clean water, such as workshops, tours and guest speakers. Agricultural organizations within the South Nation watershed are invited to apply no later than December 1st, 2011. For additional information, contact sponsorship coordinator Ronda Boutz at (613) or (877) 984-2948 Ext. 251.

Amendments to Improve Permit Process

The Board of Directors has adopted amendments to Ontario Regulation 170/06 as proposed by the Ministry of Natural Resources. These amendments allow for an easier, more streamlined process for developers and land-owners when applying for permits under provincial legislation. SNC policies are being updated to reflect amendments to the regulation.

