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Staff Update

February 16th, 2023





New SNC Staff – Donna Ferguson



Educational Background

Certified Professional Accountant,
Certified Management Account

Work Experience

- Finance Supervisor Social & Housing Services – City of Cornwall
- Social Housing Financial Coordinator – City of Cornwall
- Senior Accountant – Craig Keen Despatie Markell LLP



New SNC Staff – Megan Beehler



Educational Background

Global Development Studies

Work Experience

- Summer Student – Township of North Stormont
- Case File / Policy Assistant – Office of George Darouze
- Communications Coordinator – Township of Russell



New SNC Staff – Farhad Mansouri



Farhad as a Member of Land, Water and Environment supreme council.
2020/Presidential Palace, Kabul

Educational Background

- B.Sc. Civil Engineering
- M.Sc. Civil and Disaster Mitigation Engineering.

Work Experience

- Junior-Senior Water Resources Engineer
- Technical Director of National Economy and Infrastructures



New SNC Staff – Spencer Vanputten



- I live in Newington and go to Tagwi Secondary School
- I like playing sports like basketball and football
- I want to be a fireman or a conservation officer
- I live on a farm
- I'm completing a 4-month co-op at SNC, working with the Property and Forestry Teams



Community Outreach



Ottawa Valley Farm Show, 2018

- **World Wetland Day:**
Postponed to Saturday,
February 25th at Cooper Marsh
Conservation Area, Summerstown
- **Ottawa Valley Farm Show:**
Tuesday, **March 14th** to
Thursday, **March 16th** at the
EY Centre, Ottawa



Findlay Creek Boardwalk Media Event



Project Announcement
Findlay Creek, City of Ottawa

- Project announcement at proposed entrance to the boardwalk extension
- MP Chandra Arya provided details on federal funding



Findlay Creek Boardwalk Open House



Public Open House at Vimy Ridge Public School
Findlay Creek, City of Ottawa

- Public open house on February 1st
- Staff available to answer questions and gather feedback
- Local Ottawa Councillor, Steve Desroches, attended



Eastern CA Approvals Meeting



Staff from 9 eastern region CAs gathered at SNC to discuss approvals programs

- Staff from local CAs invited to inaugural meeting at SNC
- Shared Bill 23 transition plans, legal precedents, and met new staff
- Planning to host bi-annually on a rotating basis



Bill 23: Municipal Partner Meetings



Staff from SDG including planners and Chief Building Officials

- Partner CAs met with all participating municipalities to provide Bill 23 updates
- Concern with peer-review services for Hydrogeological and Environmental Impact
- Discussed transition options and expectations



Watershed Snow Surveys



Staff conducting early January snow survey at
Larose Forest

- 10 samples taken at 7 survey sites in SNC watershed
 - Surveys taken twice a month
- Important information for flood forecasting and warning



Protecting People and Property



Log Lifter removing stop log at Chesterville Dam

- Additional Provincial funding available
- Additional stop logs will be purchased



Ice Safety Training



Ice Safety Training, South Nation River
Township of North Stormont

- 2-day training provided by Raven Rescue
- First day in the classroom, second day out on the ice on the South Nation River
- Important training for staff completing ice surveys and working near water during winter



Partnerships in Action



Trim Road, Navan
Private Property, City of Ottawa

Ottawa Rotary Youth Forest

Event: May TBD
9:30 am – 12:00 pm

- Planting 1,000 tree seedlings
- 2 schools from Ottawa Catholic School Board and volunteers

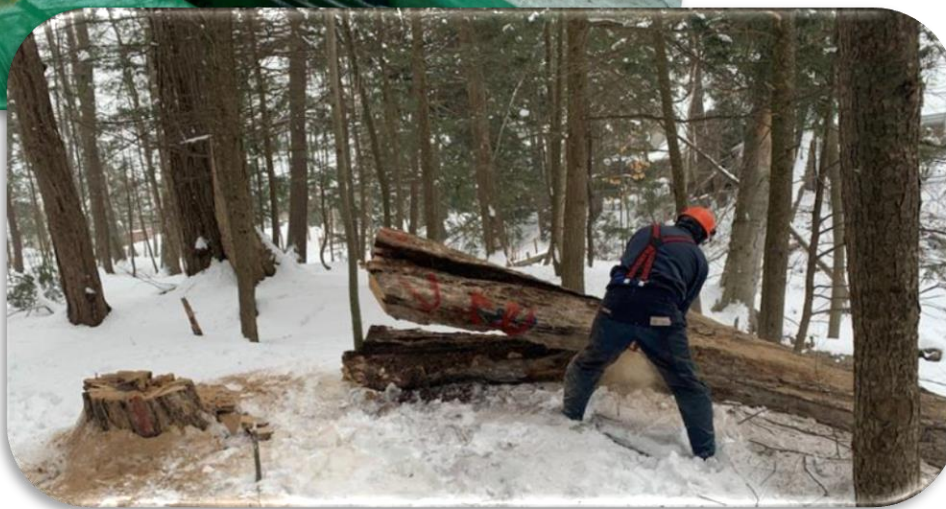


Conservation Area Tree Management



January/February Tree Management

- Robert Graham Forest (14 trees)
- Oschmann Forest (120 trees)
- Warwick Forest (18 trees)
- J. Henry Tweed (36 trees)
- W.E. Burton (47 trees)
- Findlay Creek (6 trees)
- Cass Bridge (42)





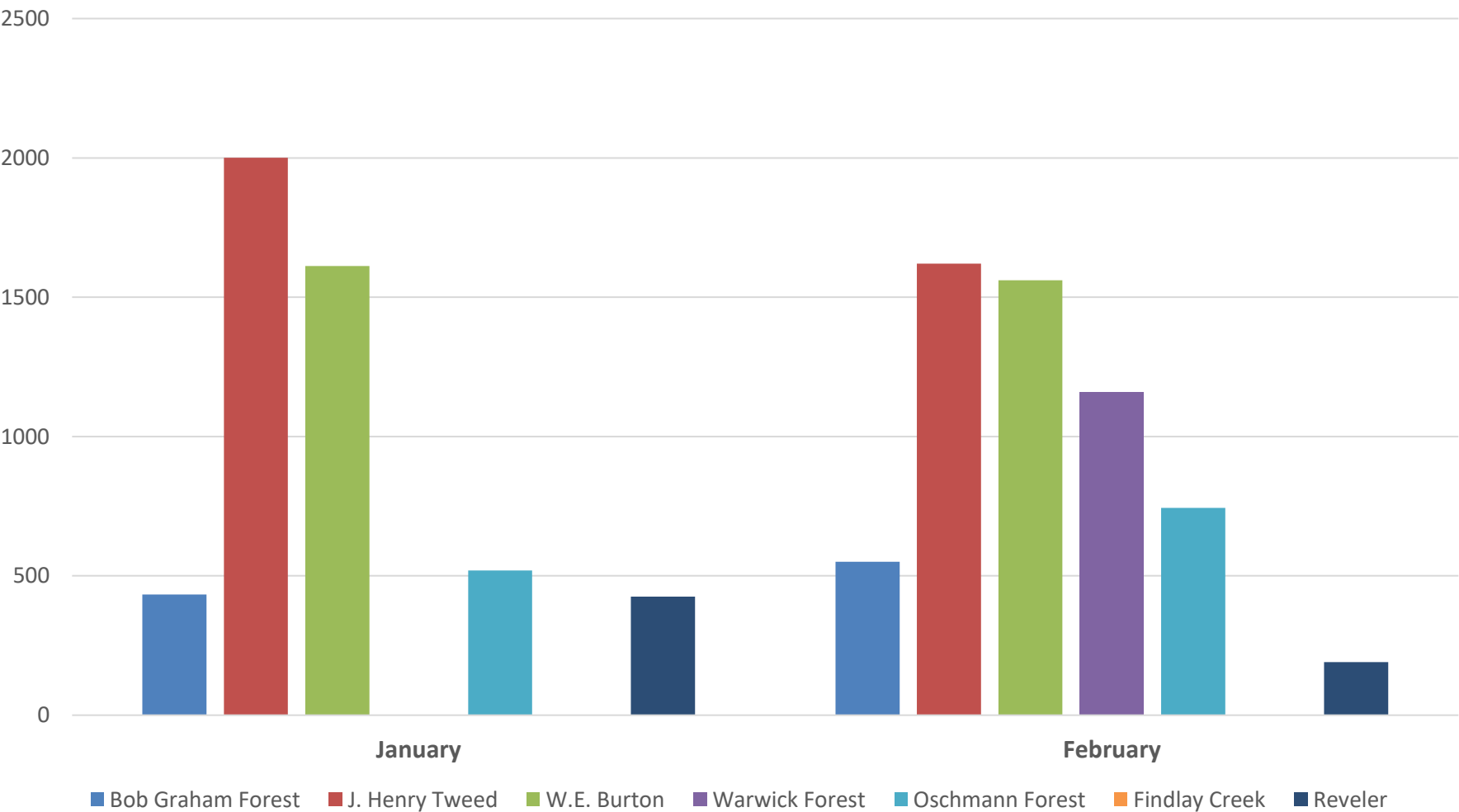
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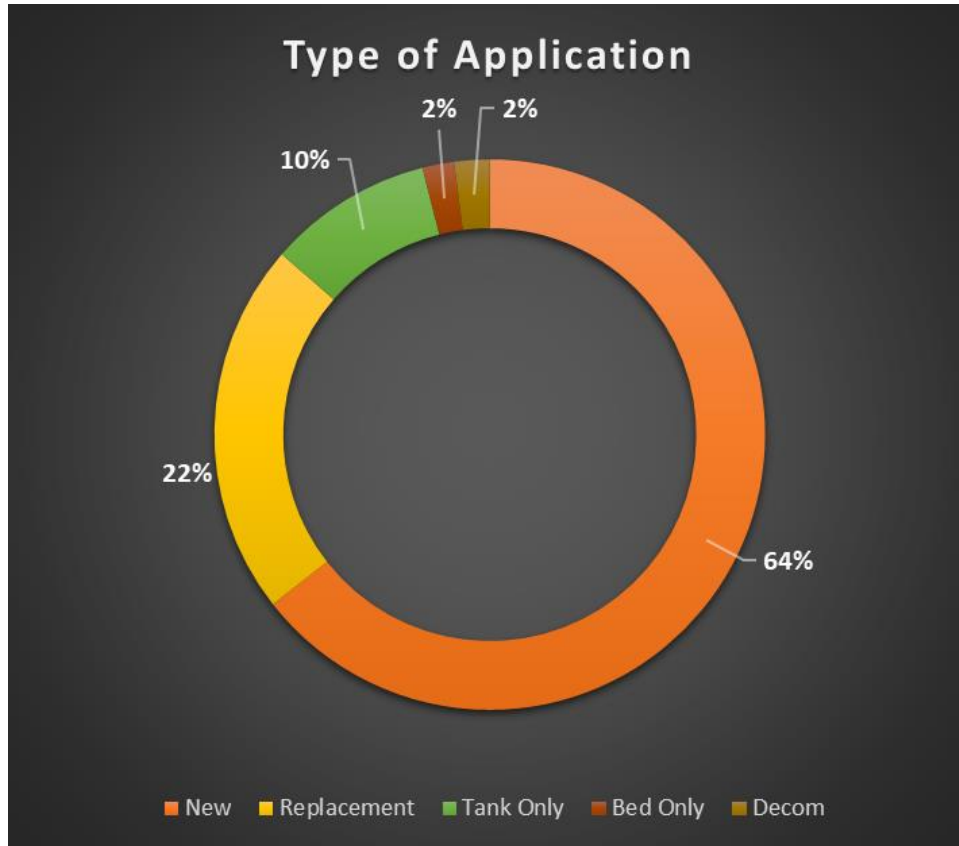
Conservation Area Stats

2023 Recorded Visitation to SNC Conservation Areas





Sewage System Inspection Program: 2022 Statistics

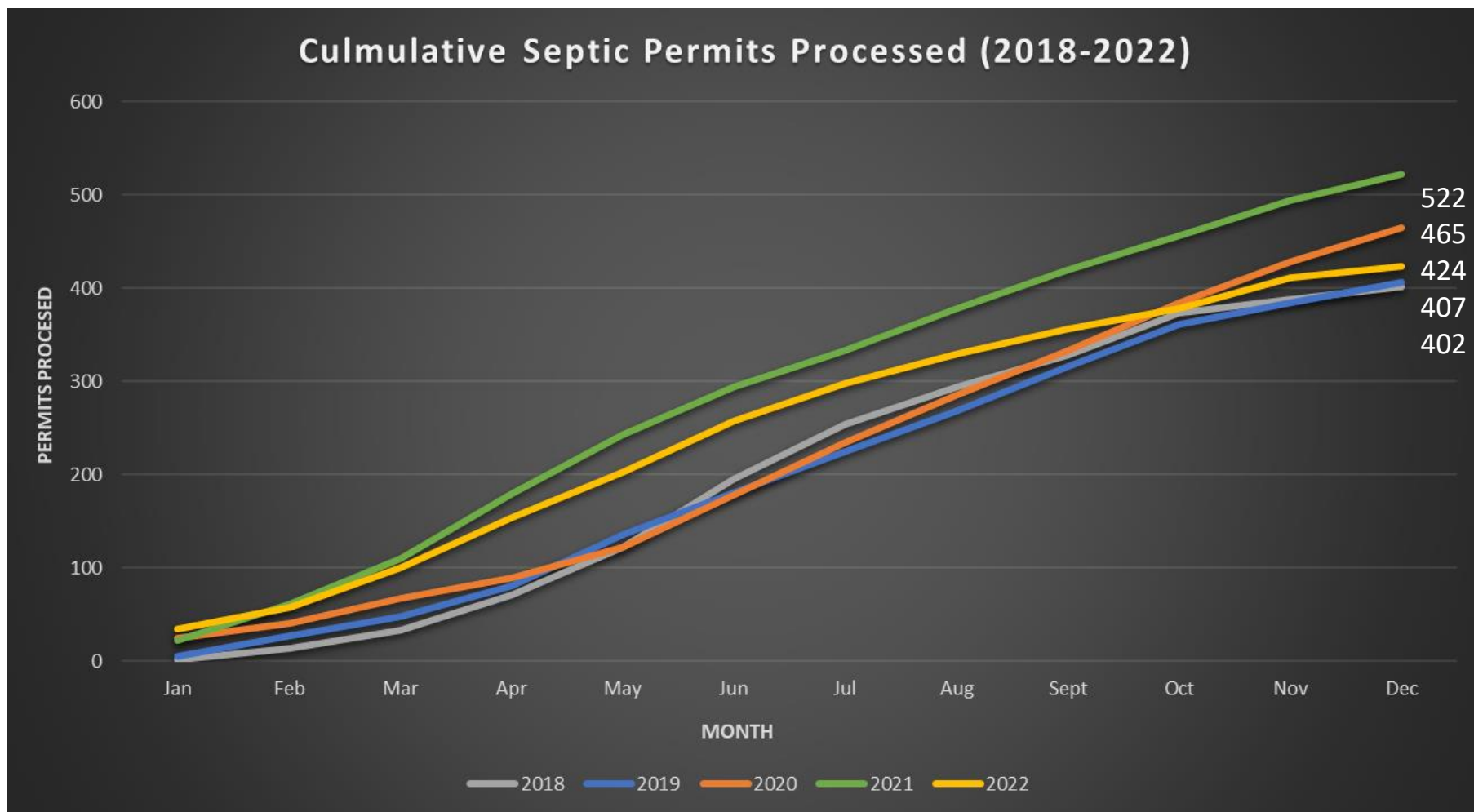


437 Septic Permits for 2022

- 2022 is the first year SSIP has tracked replacement vs new construction
- Replacements and decommissioning accounts for 45% of septic permits issued in 2022
- This percentage is expected to increase as most of the permits received from the new territories in fall 2022 were replacements



Sewage Systems Inspection Program - 5 Year Comparison



*2022 is adjusted and does not include permits received for the 4 new municipalities



Annual Septic Contractors Meeting

Save the Date!



Annual Septic Contractors Meeting, Casselman 2019

- Thursday, April 6th from 9–11 AM at SNC office
- In-person for the first time since 2019
- Contractors from four new municipalities

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