

Project Update

June 19th, 2025













Meeting with Local MPPs



Meeting with MPP Stéphane Sarrazin, Glengarry, Prescott, Russell Riding Hawkesbury June 13th, 2025



Partnerships at Work – The Healing Place







Left: May 28th event with local schools. Activity stations and planting above ground vegetables (waxing moon phase)

Top: Partners finish the 3 Sisters Garden on June 12th. Below ground vegetables (waning moon phase)



Knowledge Sharing – Climate Collaborations



Panel Discussion, Kingston Climate Summit June 4-5th, 2025

- Kingston Climate Summit, June 4-5, 2025
- Panel speaker on climate action and collaborations in Eastern Ontario
- Highlighted natural hazards mapping and natural asset management



CSA W1004.3 Technical Subcommittee



CSA W1004.3 Technical Subcommittee on Agriculture Drainage

Agenda for Technical Subcommittee Meeting No. 1 June 17, 2025

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CSA W1004.3 Technical Subcommittee on Agriculture Drainage and Erosion

Meeting No. 1 - Agenda

Date/Time: June 17, 2025 from 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

Microsoft Teams:

Click here to join the meeting

Meeting ID: 295 654 062 461 0

Passcode: zu2cz7vs

Administration

Opening Remarks - Bailey Smith (PM) @ 1:00 PM ET

A.1.1.1 Welcome

A.1.1.2 Roll Call and Introductions

Meeting Administrative Items - Bailey Smith (PM) @ 1:05 PM ET

A.1.2.1 Housekeeping / Safety

A.1.2.2 Conflict of Interest / Anti-trust Guidelines

A.1.2.3 Adoption of Draft Agenda

A.1.3 Technical Committee and Technical Subcommittee Membership - Bailey Smith (PM) @

1:10 PM ET

Membership and Chair A.1.3.1

CSA Group Standards Development Foundations Training - Anne-Marie Martel @ 1:15 A.1.4

A.1.5 Review of Project Context and Schedule - Bailey Smith (PM) / Joanna Eyquem @ 2:45

A.1.6 Next Steps for Project and Members - Bailey Smith (PM) @ 2:55 PM ET

A.1.7 New Business - All @ 2:55 PM ET

Conclusion

Rexdale Boulevard, ON, Canada M9W 1R3

CSA TS-239: Nature-Based Solutions for Agricultural Drainage, Erosion & **Water Quality**

- Participate in meetings
- Provide input relevant to SNC
- Review and comment on draft standards



Knowledge Sharing – Agri-Environmental Stewardship



ALUS Lunch and Learn Farm Tour, June 11th, 2025 Yolanda Farms, South Dundas

- ALUS Lunch and Learn at Yolanda Farms – June 11
- Presented information on the Eastern Ontario Farm Stewardship Collaborative and cost-share grants
- Peer-to-peer learning



Strengthening Partnerships



LICO/DSAO Tour and BBQ, June 13th, 2025 Mill Creek Municipal Drain, Champlain

- Annual LICO/DSAO tour and BBQ
- Medium-scale drainage improvement project
- Networking with partners



SNC Committees



Grants Sub-Committee meeting, June 16th, 2025

- Grants Sub-Committee met June 16th
 - Approved 3 Eastern Ontario
 Water Resources Program
 grants (\$21,500)
 - Approved 10 Clean Water
 Program grants (\$35,625)
- Watershed Advisory
 Committee will meet on
 June 24th



Environmental Education

Photo pending

Description

- Seaway District High School invasive species activity
- Fishing with 4H Club at Cass
 Bridge Conservation Area
- Two presentations for Boisés Est



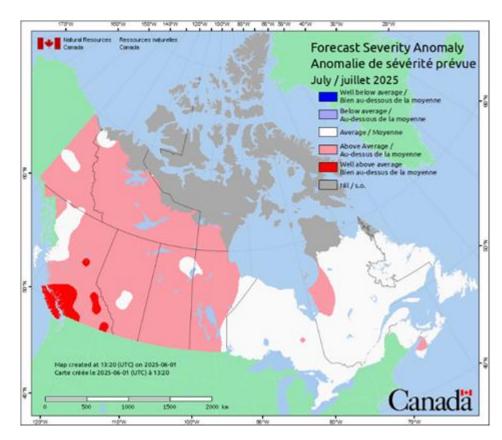
Youth Fish Camps



- Starting on July 2 & 3 at
 Cass Bridge Conservation Area
- 4 out of 6 camps are full
- Ottawa Flyfishers attending each camp



The Working Forest



An Average Year Predicted

Note: Under extreme weather conditions the likelihood of ignition, rate of spread and intensity of fire increases in all fuel types

Fire Risk (varies daily):

- Fire History
- Fuel Type & Quantity
- Local wildfire suppression equipment

Reducing Risks:

- Burn bans
- Communications
 - Fire Weather Index
 - Fire Smart Program
- Forest Management
 - Harvests
 - Forest Restoration



Public Access Waterfront Repair





- Met with Edwardsburgh
 Cardinal staff at Cardinal
 Point and Spencerville Mill
 to document conditions
- Provided technical and permitting guidance for shoreline remediation projects

Environmental Conditions at Cardinal Point Edwardsburgh Cardinal



PGMN - Spring Sampling



Spring sampling event, Metcalfe

- Sampled 3 groundwater wells this spring as requested by Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
 - Metcalfe (shallow)
 - Casselman (shallow and deep)
- Manual water level measurements and data download at every station



Equipment Maintenance



Tipping Bucket at Doran Park, Casselman



AWP bucket at SNC shop, Berwick

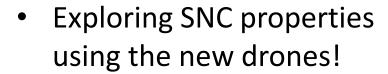
- Visited monitoring sites to clean and calibrate rain gauges for the season
- Total of 19 rain gauges across the SNC jurisdiction
 - Tipping Buckets
 - All Weather Precipitation (AWP)

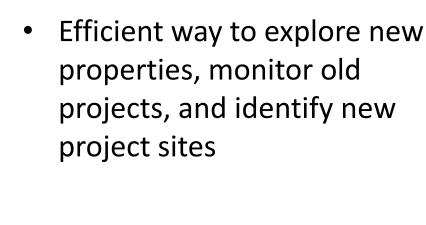


Drone Monitoring



Snake Island Property, Metcalfe







Newly acquired SNC property, Augusta



Field Training



Surface water quality monitoring across the SNC jurisdiction



- Provincial Water Quality
 Monitoring Network (PWQMN)
 annual workshop
 - Various dates in May
- Ontario Benthos Biomonitoring Network (OBBN) refresher training
 - May 15
- First Aid/AED re-certification



New Stream Gauge Installation



- New stream gauge installation planned for McKinnon's Creek in the City of Ottawa
- Will support Water Response Programs: Flood Forecasting and Warning and Low Water Response



Habitat Restoration for Species at Risk

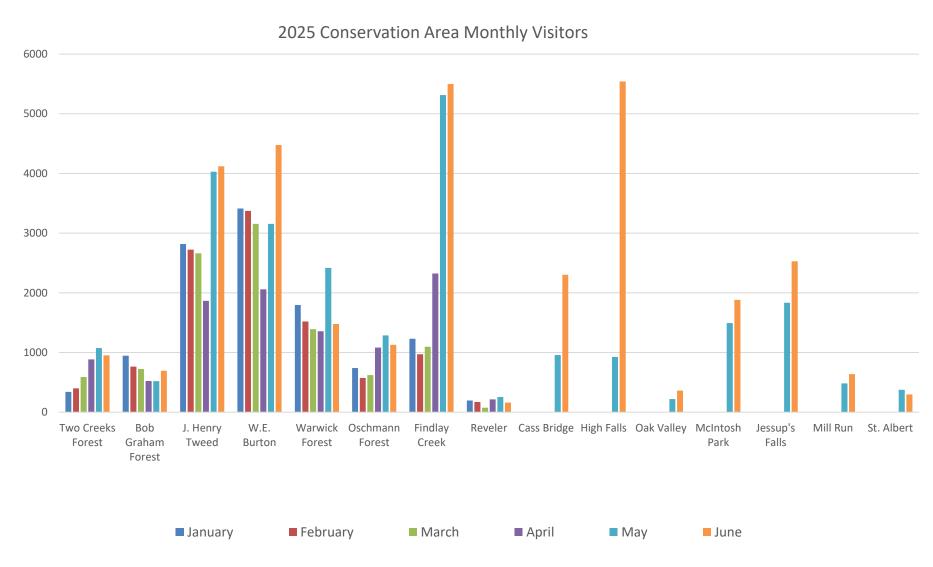


Site visit with Blazing Star Environmental, May 30, 2025 SNC188, Augusta

- Wetland restoration at SNC188 targeted to Western Chorus Frogs
- Design expertise from Blazing Star Environmental
- Project supported by World Wildlife Fund Canada

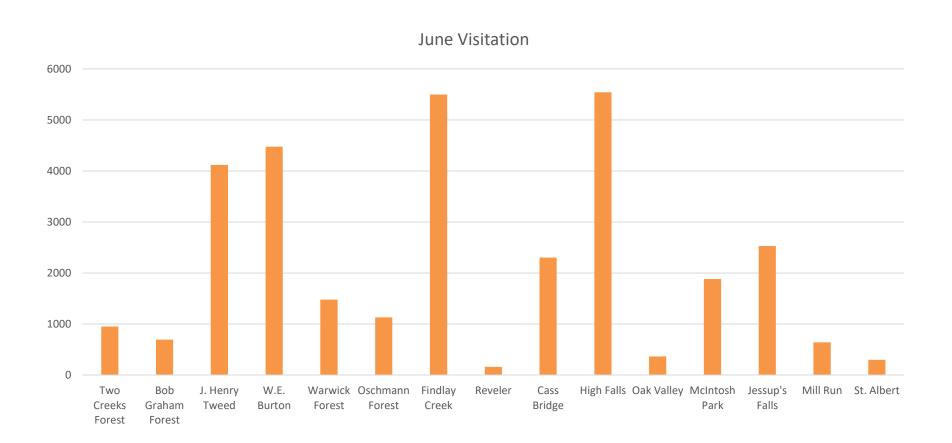


Conservation Area Monitoring Stats





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Our Local Environment, We're in it Together.

