



# South Nation Conservation Watershed Update

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### News From The SNC Board of Directors

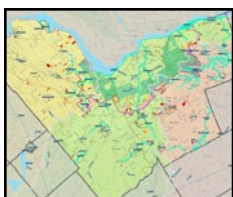
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#### Clean Water Program Accomplishments Highlighted



At the November meeting, Clean Water Committee members explained how SNC's Clean Water Program protects water resources through funding for projects that improve water quality. Since 1993, over \$2.1 million in grants have been awarded, leveraging an estimated \$8 million into the local economy. Clean Water Program projects prevent nearly 15,000 kilograms of phosphorus and almost 1.5 million gallons of milkhouse wastewater from entering local watercourses each year.

#### Flood Plain Mapping Updates in City of Ottawa and Casselman



The Board approved a partnership with the City of Ottawa to update floodplain mapping within SNC's jurisdiction in the City. The project will be completed on a 50% cost-share basis, averaging \$150,000 per year, for the next five years. The Board also approved moving forward with the public consultation process required for modifications to floodplain mapping for the Village of Casselman.

#### New Forest Management Plan for 2012



The Forestry Committee has recommended updating the Forest Management Plan, which outlines the current state of SNC forests and provides long-term direction. Since the current plan came into effect, the SNC forest has become FSC certified, and changes have been made to legislation and MNR Forest Management Guidelines. The new Management Plan, to be drafted in 2012, will reflect these changes.

#### Funding For Provincial Water Quality Sampling



Source Water Protection funding has been allocated for water quality sampling at Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network (PGMN) wells in the Nation-Raisin Source Protection Region for 2011. The annual sampling is conducted through an agreement with the Ministry of Environment. Information from the sampling is used to analyze groundwater conditions, track long-term changes, and to support technical studies.

#### South Nation Corporate Archives



SNC has initiated the task of organizing and making accessible its historical records. Special funding of \$30,000 from the Provincial Museums and Technology Fund will assist SNC in achieving this goal. The project will use leading information management technology and assist in organizing and interpreting environmental and corporate information from the Authority's 65 year history. Local historical societies, municipal archives, and Carleton University have been keen supporters of the project.

