



NVCA November 2024 Board Meeting Highlights

Next Meeting: December 13, 2024, held in person at the Tiffin Centre for Conservation

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Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy

The NVCA Board of Directors approved NVCA's Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy (WBRMS).

The WBRMS identifies the risks, issues, and challenges the Nottawasaga Watershed faces, as well as the mitigation strategies to address these concerns. The strategy also provides a summary of NVCA's programs and services.

NVCA conducted a 30-day public consultation period through an online survey to seek feedback on the stressors and challenges associated with NVCA's Programs and Services, as well as mitigation strategies to address them.

Under Ontario Regulation 686/21, all conservation authorities must complete a WBRMS before December 31, 2024.

Updated 2025 Conservation Services Fees

The NVCA Board of Directors amended and approved recommended changes to NVCA's Conservation Services programs fees.

NVCA's Conservation Services program provides a variety of programs and services to watershed residents and visitors through a fee-for-service basis. Services include environmental education, forestry, events and recreational opportunities.

The majority of fees changes were based on the average 2023-24 Cost of Living Allowance of 3.1%. Revenues generated through Conservation Services programs reduce the overall levy required by member municipalities.

Contract awarded to flood management structures RFP

NVCA has awarded a contract to D.M. Wills Associates Limited for the completion of safety reviews and other studies related to flood management structures.

Natural Hazard Infrastructure & Ice Management Plans

Under Ontario Regulation 686/21, all conservation authorities must complete a Natural Hazard Infrastructure Operational Plan and an Ice Management Plan before December 31, 2024.

The Natural Hazard Infrastructure Operational Plan outlines NVCA's roles and responsibilities in operating and maintaining the seven flood management structures within the watershed.

The Ice Management Plan establishes clear roles and responsibilities for NVCA and municipal partners related to ice jam monitoring and flood emergencies, which may result from ice jams.

2024 Year End Surplus/Deficit Allocation

The NVCA Board of Directors approved that any deficit/surplus for 2024 will be allocated accordingly to the budget reserve.

Upcoming Events

Giving Tuesday

NVCA is inviting watershed residents to show support for local conservation efforts by helping NVCA meet their GivingTuesday goal of \$10,000.

GivingTuesday is the world's largest generosity movement. It is an opportunity for people around the world to stand together and support their communities or give to the causes they believe in. This year, GivingTuesday Canada will celebrate its 11th anniversary, with millions of Canadians expected to participate.

Date: December 3, 2024

Donations can be made through NVCA's website at nvca.on.ca

Winter Camp Tiffin

Our staff have been excited to plan some winter camp activities for Winter Camp Tiffin which will be full of outdoor adventures.

Led by NVCA's environmental educators, Camp Tiffin is an outdoor camp designed to enhance your child's knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural world and our amazing planet.

Dates: December 30, 2024, January 2 & 3, 2025

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation

Tiffin Nature School

At Tiffin Nature School, children aged 2.5 to 10 are invited to explore and connect with the natural world. We nurture their innate curiosity, offering immersive outdoor experiences that inspire discovery and growth.

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays until May 29, 2025

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation