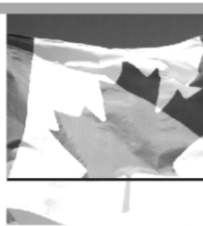


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WINDSOR WEST UPDATE

Summer 2019

Do you want to help your family, the environment and the well-being of Windsor? If so, you're invited to a public meeting to discuss the creation of a National Urban Park.

What: Discussion on National Urban Parks—the Long-Term Vitality of Ojibway Shores

When: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 6:00—8:00 p.m. Formal presentation 6:30 p.m., Q&A 7:30 p.m.

South Windsor Arena—Capri Pizzeria Complex, 2555 Pulford Rd.

All are welcome. Please RSVP to 519.255.1631 or brian.masse.c1@parl.gc.ca.

Over the last year you have heard me advocate for the long-term protection of Ojibway Shores. This land is home to hundreds of endangered species who rely on the surrounding parks including Black Oak Heritage Park, Ojibway Park, Tallgrass Prairie Park, Ojibway Prairie Provincial Nature Reserve and the Spring Garden Natural Area. These parks combined encompass a vast swath of land in Windsor and should be grouped together for their vitality and preservation.






Come learn about the creation of Rouge National Urban Park, located within Canada's most populated and culturally diverse metropolitan area—Toronto, was the culmination of teamwork and efforts by community leaders and organizations to protect this land in perpetuity, while securing federal funding

The Rouge National Urban Park, Canada's first ever national urban park, positions the country as an international urban conservation leader by creating the world's strongest dedicated legislation for an urban protected area. Now is the time to turn Ojibway Shores and the connecting greenspaces into an Urban National Park.

Come and hear guest speakers about Rouge National Urban Park and other national and local environmental organizations who will discuss the importance of keeping the Ojibway Shores preserved for the long-term by working to combine our parks as a National Urban Park. I hope to see you there.

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Everyone can be part of:

-  Increasing health & wellness
-  Reducing flooding
-  Promoting eco-tourism
-  Improving quality of life
-  Protecting endangered species



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Our Community Benefits



Brian Masse held a Sandwich Towne public meeting at Mackenzie Hall, Nov. 18, 2017.

JASON KRYK /WINDSOR STAR

May 7, 2019

Re: Environmentally Critical Land in Windsor, Ontario – Ojibway Shores

Dear Minister McKenna,

I am writing to follow-up with you today on my letter from October 25, 2017, and my question today in the House of Commons regarding the long-term protection of Ojibway Shores.

As you know, Ojibway Shores is a vital 33-acre greenspace and the last remaining, undeveloped natural shoreline in Windsor-Detroit. It is home to hundreds of endangered species that rely on migration through surrounding local parks for survival. This includes Ojibway Park, Spring Garden Natural Area, Black Oak Heritage Park, and the Tallgrass Prairie Park, to name a few. If connected, this area including the Detroit River could become one of North America's treasures. It serves not only as a home and larger ecosystem to these species, but also provides natural heritage areas that our community can enjoy, appreciate, and use for healthy living space and ecotourism.

As proposed in my October 2017 letter, Ojibway Shores is a federal property currently under the management of the Windsor Port Authority and I am again requesting that the Government of Canada transfer the management of this property from under the WPA to Environment Canada and that you begin the process of designating it as a national urban park.

It is pertinent that discussions happen with those overseeing the adjacent properties in this process, and together, this group of natural properties would protect the entire area for these endangered species that rely on all of this space for their survival for the long-term.

Should you have any questions regarding this process, or if you would like to meet to discuss this matter forward, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience. Thank you again for your time and attention to this matter. I look forward to your positive response.

Yours truly,

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