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WINDSOR WEST UPDATE

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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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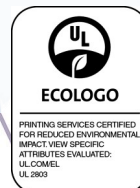
Promoting eco-tourism



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Protecting endangered species



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Fight for Ojibway Shores 2013



Brian Masse holds a press conference discussing the need to preserve Ojibway Shores in 2013.

MASSE URGES FEDERAL TRANSPORT MINISTER TO CONSIDER CONTRACTOR PROPOSAL FOR EXCESS FILL ON BRIDGE PLAZA AND USE SAVINGS TO ACQUIRE OJIBWAY SHORES

July 12th, 2013

[WINDSOR] For weeks Brian Masse M.P. (Windsor West) NDP Critic for the Canada-US Border has been working towards brokering a deal that could solve the excess fill issue from the construction of the Herb Gray Parkway. In addition, the potential savings incurred by implementing this solution could provide the Federal government with the funds necessary to purchase the Ojibway Shores property from the Windsor Port Authority.

After meeting with Amico Infrastructures Inc. president Dominic Amicone and working with environmental groups in the community Masse brought a proposal forward to Transport Minister Denis Lebel that seeks to use excess fill material from the Parkway to meet

the grade requirements of the Customs Plaza of the new crossing connecting Windsor/Detroit.

“If using the excess fill material from the Parkway project to the site of the customs plaza of the new crossing is feasible I think we have a solution here that could demonstrate responsible and sensible infrastructure development. It’s my understanding that the Parkway is generating almost an equal amount of excess fill to meet the grade requirements of the new Customs plaza of the new crossing. The potential savings of implementing this proposal is over \$1M.”

Masse believes the savings incurred by the government could be used to acquire the Ojibway Shores property owned by the Windsor Port Authority (WPA). Recently the WPA indicated its willingness to sell Ojibway Shores located immediately adjacent to the site of the new bridge plaza to a buyer interested in preserving it as a natural heritage site. The WPA pegs the value of the property in the neighbourhood of \$1M.

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