

Information Centre to Review Proposed Operations 2010 – 2020 Forest Management Plan

We Need Your Input

Do you ...

- Have an interest in natural resource management in the Algonquin Park Forest?
- Want to know more about the proposed operations for the Algonquin Park Forest?
- Want to take an active role in the planning process and development of the Algonquin Park Forest, Forest Management Plan (FMP)?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, **Ontario Parks (MNR)**, **Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA)** and the **Local Citizens Committee (LCC)** invite you to attend a public open house to help us to develop the 2010 – 2020 FMP for the Algonquin Park Forest.

You will have the opportunity to review and comment on:

- The proposed areas identified for harvest, renewal and tending operations;
- The proposed road locations and conditions for the first five-year term;
- The preferred areas of operations for the second five-year term;
- The proposed corridors for new primary and branch roads for the ten-year term.

How to Get Involved

Information Centre(s) will be held at the following locations from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the following days:

Tuesday, July 14, 2009 – Royal Canadian Legion Hall, 360 Hurdman St., Mattawa, ON
 Wednesday, July 15, 2009 – Hidden Valley, 1755 Valley Rd., Huntsville, ON
 Monday, July 20, 2009 – Kiwanis Hall, Riverside Park, Pembroke, ON
 Wednesday, July 22, 2009 – Royal Canadian Legion Hall, 250 John St., Barry's Bay, ON

The planning team will also meet with interested parties from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the following days:

Thursday, July 16, 2009 – Days Hotel and Conference Centre, 1677 Wilson Ave., Toronto, ON
 Tuesday, July 21, 2009 – Travelodge Hotel, 1376 Carling Ave., Ottawa, ON

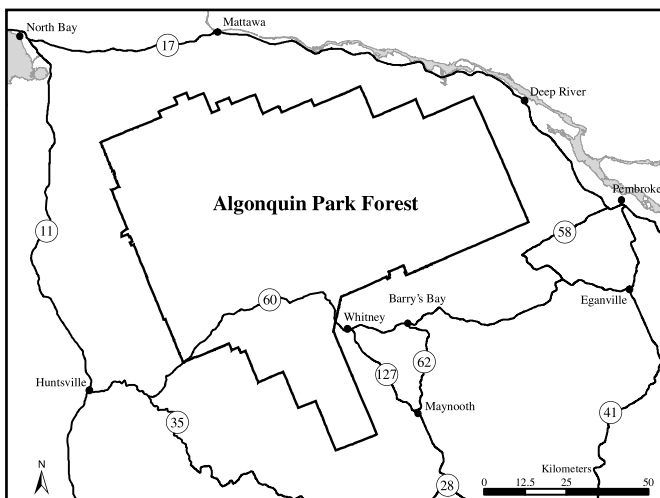
A summary of the long-term management direction for the forest and maps showing proposed areas for harvest, renewal and tending operations, as well as road corridors will be available at the Information Centre or upon request.

Values maps, which provide information such as fish and wildlife habitat features (e.g. trout lakes, heronries), park zoning, park facilities as well as many other features of the Algonquin Park Forest are available on request.

Written comments on the proposed operations for the Algonquin Park Forest must be received by Joe Yaraskavitch from the planning team at the Ontario Parks/Ministry of Natural Resources Pembroke Office, by September 11, 2009.

The plan is being prepared by the following planning team members:

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Chief Richard Zohr, Bonnechere Algonquin First Nation
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Robert Craftchick, R.P.F., Whitney Algonquins
Dave Joannis, Antoine First Nation
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Steve Sarazin, R.P.F., Algonquins of Pikwakanagan
Chief Randy Malcolm, Snimikobi (Ardoch) Algonquin First Nation
Irvin Yateman, Algonquin Nation Kijicho-Manito
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The planning team members, the Ministry of Natural Resources District Manager and the LCC are available during the planning process to meet and discuss your interests and concerns.

A formal issue resolution process, as described in the *Forest Management Planning Manual (2004)*, is available on written request. A summary of all comments collected throughout the planning process will be made available for public review during the planning process and for the duration of the approved ten-year plan.

Still Can't Make It?

In addition to this invitation to participate, there are two other formal opportunities for you to be involved, tentatively scheduled as follows:

Information Centre: Review of the Draft Forest Management Plan: December 2009
Inspection of the Ministry of Natural Resources approved Forest Management Plan: April 2010

The draft FMP is tentatively scheduled to be submitted on **Sept 30, 2009**.

If you would like to be added to a mailing list to receive notification of public consultation opportunities, please contact Joe Yaraskavitch at 613-732-5550.

The general planning information and maps described in this notice will also be available for review and comment, for a 60-day period July 14, 2009 to September 11, 2009 after the information centre(s) at the AFA Huntsville office and at the Ontario Parks' Whitney and Pembroke offices during normal office hours. As well, an appointment with the Algonquin Park Superintendent or with a planning team member during non-business hours may be made by calling 613-732-5550.

For further information, please contact:

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The Ministry of Natural Resources is collecting your personal information and comments under the authority of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act*. Any personal information you provide (address, name, telephone, etc.) will be protected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, however, your comments will become part of the public consultation process and may be shared with the general public. Your personal information may be used by the Ministry of Natural Resources to send you further information related to this forest management planning exercise. If you have questions about the use of your personal information, please contact Kevin Hein at 613-637-2780, ext. 201.

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