



COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

SUMMARY

FEBRUARY 7, 2020

1. **C-040-2020**
Correspondence dated January 6, 2020 from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority respecting Good Forestry Practices Permit Application, Tree and Forest Conservation By-law 30-2008 for 43484 Case Road, Wainfleet.
2. **C-041-2020**
Correspondence dated February 4, 2020 from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario respecting dates and times of regional roundtable discussion regarding the re-composition of Ontario Provincial Police Detachment Boards.
3. **C-042-2020**
Correspondence dated February 5, 2020 from Lee Gudgeon, Manager of Protective Services regarding Issued Building Permits – January 2020.
4. **C-043-2020**
Correspondence dated February 5, 2020 from the Village of Merrickville-Wolford to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario respecting the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.
5. **C-044-2020**
Correspondence dated February 6, 2020 from the Town of LaSalle to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing supporting the Township of Wainfleet's motion urging the Province to activate the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians Program.
6. **C-045-2020**
Correspondence dated February 7, 2020 from Rose Beaulieu regarding refundable fees under Council's Code of Conduct By-law No. 044-2016.
7. **C-046-2020**
Correspondence dated January 22, 2020 from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs respecting public input regarding proposed changes to the Drainage Act.
8. **C-047-2020**
Correspondence dated February 6, 2020 from Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara Falls respecting the Tim Horton's 2020 Bowl for Kids Sake.



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By-law

Received February 6, 2020
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January 6, 2020

File: FOCP 1.1.29.2.11

Stephen Marr
Marr Bros Farms
43484 Case Road
Wainfleet, ON L0S 1V0

Dear Mr. Marr

Re: Good Forestry Practices Permit Application
Tree and Forest Conservation Bylaw 30-2008
WAINFLEET CON 4 PT LOT 33, 34 and 35
43484 Case Road
Municipality of Wainfleet

Thank you for your application for a Good Forestry Practices Permit under the Niagara Region's Tree and Forest Conservation Bylaw. The application has been assessed based on the information submitted with the application, which includes a Silvicultural Prescription prepared by Bruce Zavitz. The information submitted has been reviewed in the field in relation to the requirements under the Bylaw. Based on that information it has been determined that a Permit can be issued.

The enclosed permit (2019-09) has been issued pursuant to Tree and Forest Conservation Bylaw 30-2008. Forest operations must occur in accordance with the attached permit and its conditions using Good Forestry Practices. NPCA forestry staff will conduct harvest inspections to ensure those conditions are followed.

Also enclosed is *A Landowner's Guide to Careful Logging* which provides landowners with information on proper logging practices that will ensure good forestry is attained. The harvest inspections conducted by the NPCA are based on the contents in the guide.

The woodland where harvesting is planned has been designated as a Provincially Significant Wetland (PSW) by the Ministry of Natural Resources. There are several important considerations and conditions that must be addressed in carrying out a logging operation in this woodland:

- Logging must occur when the soil conditions are favourable for operations (dry weather or when the ground is frozen);
- Attempt to use existing trails located throughout the woodland; and
- Select skid trails as to avoid low areas and drainages located throughout the woodland.

Please be advised that this permit does not relieve you of any other applicable property boundary, municipal, provincial, or federal by-laws, regulations or requirements. Do not hesitate to contact this office should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dan Drennan, R.P.F.
Forester, By-law Officer
905.788.3135 x247

Enclosure

Copy: John Chambers, Third Generation Forestry Inc, 130 Norfolk County Road 21, Langton, ON N0E 1G0
Bruce Zavitz, P.O. Box 460, St. George, ON. N0E 1N0
William Kolasa, Township Clerk, Township of Wainfleet, 31940 Hwy 3, PO Box 40, Wainfleet, ON L0S 1V0



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GOOD FORESTRY PRACTICES PERMIT

**REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
TREE AND FOREST CONSERVATION BY-LAW**

PERMIT NUMBER: 2019-09

This permit is issued pursuant to Tree and Forest Conservation By-law No. 30-2008 of the Regional Municipality of Niagara. Conditions pertaining to this permit are on page two.

DATE OF ISSUE: January 6, 2020
PERMIT EXPIRY: January 5, 2021

PERMIT ISSUED TO:

Name: Stephen Marr
Address: 43484 Case Road, Wainfleet, ON
Postal Code: L0S 1V0 Telephone: 905-327-1004

LOCATION OF WOODLAND: (See map in Appendix A)

Legal Desc: WAINFLEET CON 4, PT LOTS 33; 34, and 35
Road: 43484 Case Road
Municipality: Wainfleet

REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL FORESTER (or Associate Member)

Name: Bruce Zavitz
Address: P.O. Box 460, St. George, ON.
Postal Code: N0E 1N0 Telephone: 519-448-9406

CERTIFIED TREE MARKER:

Name: Bruce Zavitz
Address: P.O. Box 460, St. George, ON.
Postal Code: N0E 1N0 Telephone: 519-448-9406

LOGGING CONTRACTOR:

Name: John Chambers, Third Generation Forestry Inc
Address: 130 Norfolk County Road 21, Langton, ON
Postal Code: N0E 1G0 Telephone: 519-842-0583

NPCA APPROVAL:

Dan Drennan, R.P.F.
Forester

GOOD FORESTRY PRACTICES PERMIT

CONDITIONS

The following conditions apply to **Permit # 2019-09**

1. The unnecessary destruction of any tree not authorized by this permit is hereby prohibited; this permit shall be null and void in the event that the destruction of trees not authorized by this permit occurs.
2. All requirements of the tree marking and the Tree Marking Prescription as attached in appendix B, as prepared and approved by for the harvest and preservation of trees as permitted in this Permit, shall be complied with.
3. All trees marked for removal by the certified tree marker must be felled during the initial harvest operation to ensure silvicultural objectives in the tree marking prescription or harvest plan are achieved. **Trees marked with yellow paint are the only trees permitted to be removed.**
4. Only trees with a visible butt mark may be harvested or felled. Trees marked at eye level for removal, but missing a visible butt mark as per the *Ontario Tree Marking Guide* must not be felled until verified by the Tree Marker and marked at the butt. Trees felled without a visible butt mark will be regarded as a contravention of the Niagara Region Tree and Forest Conservation Bylaw.
5. Trees that are not marked but are damaged from adjacent tree felling cannot be removed unless authorized by Bylaw staff in the field.
6. The harvest of trees authorized by this permit shall be complied with on or before the expiration of this permit.
7. This permit shall be null and void if the work or a portion of the work authorized by this permit is undertaken by an individual other than that indicated on this permit.
8. Recognizable temporary bodies of open water (vernal pools) encountered during operations that have a surface area $\geq 500 \text{ m}^2$ (i.e., about 25 m in diameter if circular), are not ponds (i.e., $< 0.5 \text{ ha}$ in size), and are not connected to a stream, will have the following conditions:
 - No machine travel within 3 m of the high-water mark of pools during the frost-free period.
 - No excessive removal or damage of sapling-sized trees ($< 10 \text{ cm dbh}$) and shrubs within 3 m of the high-water mark of pools.
 - No felling of trees into pools or within 3 m of the high-water mark of pools during the frost-free period. Trees accidentally felled into pools will be left where they fall.
 - No disturbance of the forest floor that leaves ruts or a significant area of exposed mineral soil (see Section 10) within 15 m of the high-water mark of pools. Ruts or significant patches of exposed mineral soil will be promptly rehabilitated.
 - Trees will be retained in, and within, 3 m of the high-water mark of pools to provide $\geq 70\%$ canopy cover; and retain forest comprised of trees ≥ 35 years of age (or $\geq 10 \text{ m}$ in height) with a canopy closure $\geq 50\%$ within 15 m of the high-water mark of pools to provide cover for amphibians.

Note: When these pools are difficult to identify because of snow cover they will be marked (with pink flagging tape) creating an Area of Concern (AOC). No skidding is permitted within the AOC.
9. Skidder trails shall be kept to the minimum required for the trees being cut and their construction or use shall not unnecessarily damage or disrupt other trees, vernal pools, wetland areas, natural habitats wildlife (i.e., Stick Nests) or drainages.

10. Any injuring or destruction of trees or removal of felled trees or portions thereof shall be done in a manner that avoids adverse impacts to the soil, wetlands, natural habitat or other portions of the Woodlands. Operations within the woodland must occur when the ground is frozen or when soil conditions are favourable for operations (dry weather). Operations must cease if this condition does not exist. Use light loads when skidding. Compliance with this condition is outlined in section 10.1: Soil Conservation.

10.1 Soil Conservation

This section addresses the conservation of soil and shallow ground water resources during forest management activities, with a focus on site disturbance resulting from forest management operations. Quantifiable measurements will be provided and used as a means of assessing compliance with Condition 9 above.

Well-informed advanced planning is a critical step in conserving soil resources. This includes all aspects of planning such as; landing location, skid trail layout, machinery selection, timing of entry, duration of entry, and operator training. The importance of prevention, through advanced planning and good information, cannot be overstated.

In general terms, a rut is a trench or furrow created by machine wheels or tracks caused by soil displacement and/or compaction. Compaction is the compression of soil caused by a machine load that exceeds the strength of the soil to resist it. Compaction can occur independent of rutting through machine vibration and slipping of tires. Rutting may occur independent of compaction (e.g., on saturated soil), but in general a rut can be thought of as a visual proxy for compaction.

For the purpose of measuring a rut under the Bylaw, a rut is a continuous trench or furrow created by machine traffic that is ≥ 4 m long and ≥ 30 cm deep (Figure 1) as stated in the *OMNR Forest Management Guide for Conserving Biodiversity at the Stand and Site Scales (2010)*.

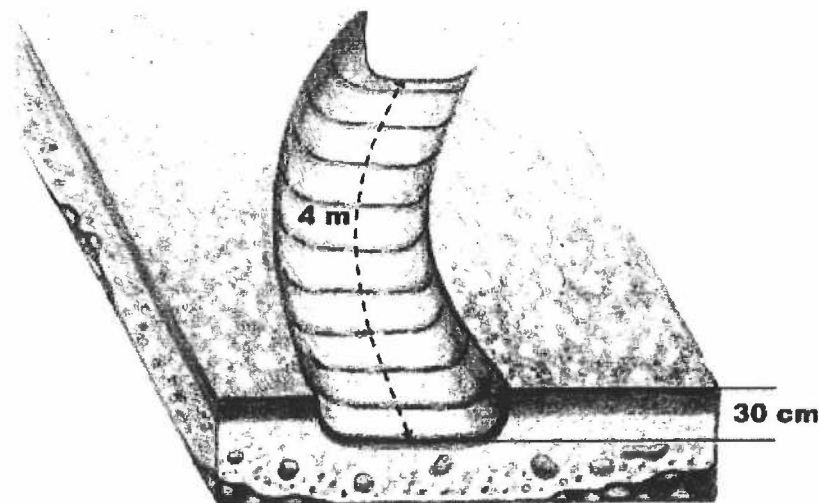


Figure 1. Graphical representation of a rut (Illustration by Mandy Saille).

Compliance Standards:

Condition 10 will be contravened if:

- more than 50% of any 0.1 ha circle is occupied in ruts; or
- more than 2% of any harvest area is occupied in ruts; or
- ruts channel water into, or are within 5 m of rivers, streams, and woodland pools,

The method to measure the percent coverage, depth, and length of a rut, is as follows:

Percent coverage is to be determined based on a line transect method. The total distance of the line that intersects ruts as a percentage of the total line length should determine the areal coverage over the sampled area. The methodology will be:

- Pick the center of the most disturbed area on the block, establish 3 random 100 m transects, offset by 120 degrees, within a 250m radius circle around that point. The percent cover would be the total length of the line that intersects a rut or trail divided by 3.

Depth is to be measured from the surface of the soil, including organic layers (LFH) if present

- When the depth varies across the width of the rut (i.e., perpendicular to the direction of travel), the deepest point is to be measured as the depth.
- When a rut has been filled, or partially filled with soil, litter, water, or debris, the depth should be measured as if the rut had not been filled. This includes areas in organic soil where churning and mixing of surface and sub-surface organic layers has occurred. In some circumstances it will be difficult to determine the unfilled depth.

When determining if a potential rut is at least 4 m long, **the length** is measured as the contiguous portion that is deeper than 30 cm (or depth to bedrock / large boulders), and is not to be an average depth measurement where some of the length is less than 30 cm deep.

11. **Bird nest sites**

Nests and eggs of all wild birds (except American crow, brown-headed cowbird, common grackle, house sparrow, red-winged blackbird, and European starling) are protected from disturbance and/or destruction (including incidental take) by either the federal Migratory Birds Convention Act or the provincial Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997.

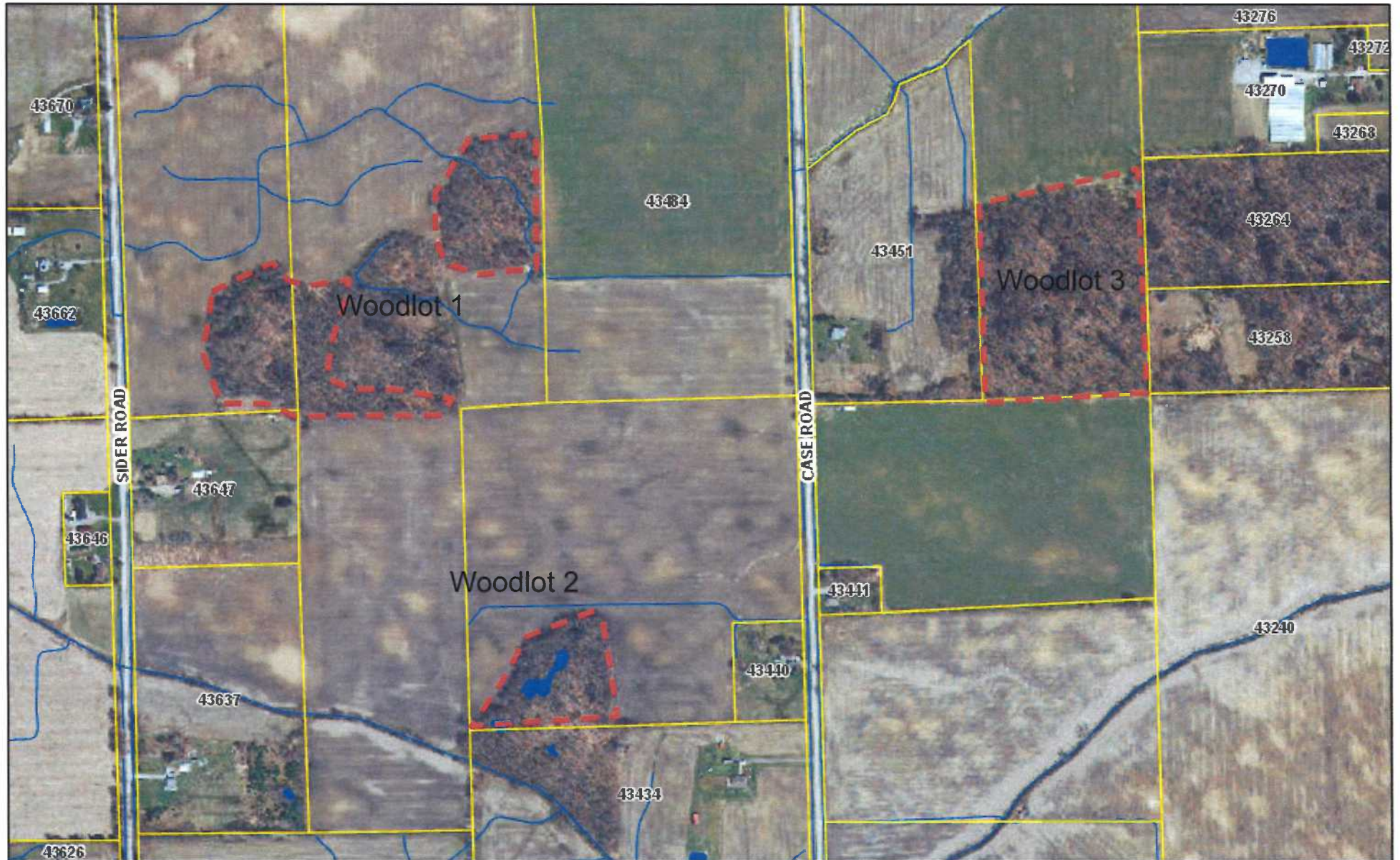
All nests (occupied or unoccupied) will receive an Area of Concern prescription to mitigate the potential adverse affects of forest management operations on breeding activity. The AOC to be applied is species-specific. The *OMNR Forest Management Guide for Conserving Biodiversity at the Stand and Site Scales (2010): Section 4.2.2* will be used to prescribe an AOC.

12. The landowner or the logging contractor must notify the Bylaw officer at the NPCA of the exact day when operations are to commence. The notification must be three (3) working days (excludes weekend days) before commencement

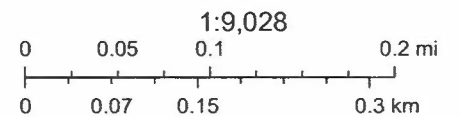
PLEASE NOTE: This information is collected pursuant to the Municipal Act and/or the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and will be used for the sole purpose of administering this By-Law.

APPENDIX A
MAP OF WOODLAND LOCATION

Permit 2019-09: Marr Bros Farms Woodlots



1/6/2020, 10:59:59 AM



NPCA, Brian Lee. Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL.

Web AppBuilder for ArcGIS

APPENDIX B
SILVICULTURAL PRESCRIPTION



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September 23, 2019

Timber Estimate Prepared For: Marr Bros. Farms – Woodlot 1

Location: #43484 Case Rd – Wainfleet – 9 acres

Species	# of Trees	Avg. Diameter Inches	Estimated Volume fbm
Hard Maple	4	21.6	1,115
Soft Maple	26	20.5	8,368
Beech	37	17.5	6,611
Ash	26	16.5	5,222
Red Oak	3	33.1	1,328
White Oak (Group)	6	28.4	2,936
Basswood	8	23.2	2,196
Hemlock	1	18.6	189
Poplar	2	18.6	497
TOTAL	113		28,462 fbm

The above timber has been marked with Yellow Paint and the volume of the marked material **ESTIMATED as GROSS MERCHANTABLE (Ontario Log Rule)** is not guaranteed. Sawlogs have been marked with a dot at breast height, fuelwood a slash and also on the stump. **ARBORLAND** is not responsible for establishing boundaries; that is the responsibility of the landowner! The *woodlot owner* should check that the marking is within their *boundaries*, contact neighbours where woodlands join together and be sure the **Tree Bylaw Officer** is notified before logging begins. Unsafe trees in the work area whether marked, not marked or marked to stay, should be made harmless by the contractor in a safe manner. If you cannot cut a tree safely – leave it standing!

P = Research plot

W = Tree to retain for wildlife



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September 23, 2019

Timber Estimate Prepared For: Marr Bros. Farms – Woodlot 2

Location: #43484 Case Rd – Wainfleet – 4 acres

Species	# of Trees	Avg. Diameter Inches	Estimated Volume fbm
Hard Maple	1	21.8	287
Soft Maple	26	23.0	9,277
Ash	43	16.0	8,193
Basswood	2	15.4	152
TOTAL	72		17,909 fbm

The above timber has been marked with Yellow Paint and the volume of the marked material **ESTIMATED as GROSS MERCHANTABLE (Ontario Log Rule)** is not guaranteed. Sawlogs have been marked with a dot at breast height, fuelwood a slash and also on the stump. **ARBORLAND** is not responsible for establishing boundaries; that is the responsibility of the landowner! The *woodlot owner* should check that the marking is within their *boundaries*, contact neighbours where woodlands join together and be sure the **Tree Bylaw Officer** is notified before logging begins. Unsafe trees in the work area whether marked, not marked or marked to stay, should be made harmless by the contractor in a safe manner. If you cannot cut a tree safely – leave it standing!

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September 23, 2019

Timber Estimate Prepared For: Marr Bros. Farms – Woodlot 3

Location: #43484 Case Rd – Wainfleet – 12 acres

Species	# of Trees	Avg. Diameter Inches	Estimated Volume fbm
Hard Maple	5	20.2	1,068
Soft Maple	44	21.8	14,511
Beech	6	16.6	1,013
Ash	34	15.5	6,083
Red Oak	12	24.0	4,156
Burr Oak	1	21.8	314
Basswood	5	17.8	950
Poplar	18	15.5	3,245
Cherry	1	15.4	99
TOTAL	126		31,440 fbm

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TREE MARKING PRESCRIPTION

OWNERSHIP: Marr Bros. Farms **DATE:** 23/09/19 **REG of Niagara:** 43484 Case Rd. (Woodlot 1)

FOREST TYPE: Upland / Lowland Hardwood **SOILS:** Silt Lot 34,35 Con 4 Wainfleet

OBJECTIVES:

Long Term: To manage hardwoods using the selection silvicultural system (Good Forestry Practice) to produce a continual supply of quality stems for sawlog production. To continue to enhance the mixture of tree species and to provide for maximum wildlife habitat opportunities when performing any forest management activities. (Last harvest – decades diameter)

Short Term: Tree marking will concentrate on the salvage of ash (EAB mortality) and reduction of UGS stock. Overmature trees will be reduced. Mast trees such as oak, cherry and hickory will be released in the larger openings created. This is a good oak / maple woodlot which should be promoted.

STAND INFORMATION:

Species Composition: Mh15, Ms35, Bd05, Be25 (Cb, Id, Hi, Ew, Ash, Oaks, By, Po, He, other)20

Stand Area (ha): 3.6 **Site & Topography Notes:** Flat (Vernal Pools)

Age Class: 90 **Height (m):** 27 **Stocking (%):** 100

Regeneration Notes: Good – Maple, Ash, Hickory, Oak

Stand Quality Notes: EAB killed ash, Beech Bark disease

BASAL AREA DISTRIBUTION (m²/ha): **Note – all ash will be considered as UGS due to EAB**

Tree Size Classes (cm)>>>	10-24 AGS / UGS	26-36 AGS / UGS	38-48 AGS / UGS	50-60 AGS / UGS	62+ AGS / UGS	TOTAL AGS / UGS
Now	5.0 / -	5.0 / 2.5	5.0 / 2.5	3.5 / 0.5	2.5 / 0.5	21.0 / 6.0
Residual	5.0 / -	4.5 / 1.0	4.0 / -	2.5 / -	2.0 / 0.5	18.0 / 1.5
Ideal	5	5	4	4	2	20

of Plots Installed = 4

STAND PRESCRIPTION: Marking will concentrate on reduction of UGS, reduction of beech, overmature and salvage of ash. Desirable regeneration will be released in pockets created by group selection removal. Denser basal areas will be retained near vernal pools. Minor fuelwood will be marked. No marking in areas of small diameters only (patch marking will occur). Large field edge trees will be reduced. Target residual basal area is 18-20 m²/ha.

IRM Instructions: Good oak, cherry and hickory mast should be promoted (10/ha). 10 cavity trees / ha supporting various wildlife should be retained. Hemlock groves will be retained for turkey roosts. **No stick nests were noted.**

Note: *Marked by Bruce Zavitz with yellow paint for the landowner (Dots for sawlog / slash for fuelwood)
Next harvest 10-15 years.*

Landowner's objectives under Good Forestry Practice were followed:

Owner: _____ **Date:** _____

TREE MARKING PRESCRIPTION

OWNERSHIP: Marr Bros. Farms **DATE:** 23/09/19 **REG of Niagara:** 43484 Case Rd. (Woodlot 2)

FOREST TYPE: Upland / Lowland Hardwood **SOILS:** Silt Lot 34 Con 4 Wainfleet

OBJECTIVES:

Long Term: To manage hardwoods using the selection silvicultural system (Good Forestry Practice) to produce a continual supply of quality stems for sawlog production. To continue to enhance the mixture of tree species and to provide for maximum wildlife habitat opportunities when performing any forest management activities. (Last harvest – decades diameter)

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STAND INFORMATION:

Species Composition: Ms60,Ash20, (Cb,Hi,Bd,Ew,Ash,Oaks,By,Be,Po,He,other)20

Stand Area (ha): 1.6 **Site & Topography Notes:** Flat (Vernal Pools)

Age Class: 80 **Height (m):** 25 **Stocking (%):** 100

Regeneration Notes: Good – Maple, Ash, Hickory, Oak

Stand Quality Notes: EAB killed ash, Beech Bark disease

BASAL AREA DISTRIBUTION (m²/ha): Note – all ash will be considered as UGS due to EAB

Tree Size Classes (cm)>>>	10-24 AGS / UGS	26-36 AGS / UGS	38-48 AGS / UGS	50-60 AGS / UGS	62+ AGS / UGS	TOTAL AGS / UGS
Now	7.5 / 0.5	3.5 / 2.5	3.5 / 3.0	2.5 / 1.5	1.5 / 2.5	18.5 / 10.0
Residual	7.5 / 0.5	3.5 / -	3.0 / -	2.0 / -	0.5 / 1.5	16.5 / 2.0
Ideal	5	5	4	4	2	20

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TREE MARKING PRESCRIPTION

OWNERSHIP: Marr Bros. Farms **DATE:** 23/09/19 **REG of Niagara:** 43484 Case Rd. (Woodlot 3)

FOREST TYPE: Upland / Lowland Hardwood **SOILS:** Silt Lot 33 Con 4 Wainfleet

OBJECTIVES:

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STAND INFORMATION:

Species Composition: Mh05, Ms30, Oaks10, Be05, Aw15 (Cb, Id, Hi, Ew, By, Po, He, Sy, other)35

Stand Area (ha): 4.8 **Site & Topography Notes:** Flat (Vernal Pools)

Age Class: 80 **Height (m):** 26 **Stocking (%):** 100

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BASAL AREA DISTRIBUTION (m²/ha): Note – all ash will be considered as UGS due to EAB

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Residual	4.0 / 0.6	6.0 / -	4.7 / -	3.0 / -	1.2 / -	18.9 / 0.6
Ideal	5	5	4	4	2	20

of Plots Installed = 6

STAND PRESCRIPTION: Marking will concentrate on reduction of UGS, reduction of beech, overmature oak and salvage of ash. Desirable regeneration will be released in pockets created by group selection removal. Denser basal areas will be retained near vernal pools. Minor fuelwood will be marked. No marking in areas of small diameters only (patch marking will occur). Large field edge trees will be reduced. Target residual basal area is 18-20 m²/ha.

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Owner: _____ **Date:** _____

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OPP DETACHMENT BOARD REGIONAL DISCUSSIONS

February 4, 2020

The Ministry of the Solicitor General has announced the dates and times of regional roundtable discussion regarding the re-composition of OPP Detachment Boards. Those details are below:

DATE & TIME	LOCATION	RSVP DATE
February 10, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Thunder Bay Valhalla Inn 1 Valhalla Inn Road Scandia Room	February 3, 2020
February 12, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Kenora Kenora Recreation Centre 18 Mike Richards Way Rotary Room, 1 st Fl.	February 5, 2020
February 19, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	London Goodwill Centre 255 Horton Street Community Hall, 3 rd Fl.	February 12, 2020
February 20, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Brockville Brockville Memorial Civic Centre 100 Magedoma Blvd. The Hall	February 13, 2020
February 24, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Sudbury Northbury Hotel & Conference Centre 50 Brady Street Aspen Hall	February 17, 2020

DATE & TIME	LOCATION	RSVP DATE
February 25, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Timmins McIntyre Community Centre 85 McIntyre Road Hall Facility – Auditorium	February 18, 2020
February 28, 2020 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Orillia Best Western Plus Mariposa Inn & Conference Centre 400 Memorial Avenue Hermitage Ballroom	February 21, 2020

Please email your RSVP to: SOLGENinput@ontario.ca. AMO encourages the participation of all elected officials in these discussions.

Please note that the Ministry is seeking input to inform the regulations which will determine the future of democratic oversight and governance of policing. The Ministry has not made any decisions regarding the size and composition of detachment boards. Ideas which can be successfully implemented at a regional or local level are being sought.

Local elected officials with thoughts on the regional composition of OPP detachment boards should put those forward at the roundtable sessions and in the weeks that follow. AMO has impressed upon the Ministry the need for all municipal councils to be represented.

In addition, at the roundtable meetings the Ministry is seeking municipal thoughts related to the composition of a new OPP Governance Advisory Council. This Council's purpose is to provide advice to the Solicitor General with respect to the use of the Solicitor General's powers related to the OPP.

The AMO Board has recently adopted a position regarding the Council's composition. With over 300 municipalities using the services of the OPP, AMO seeks the authority to recommend municipal appointees to the Council. AMO's position is that half of Council's composition should be designated municipal appointees. In addition, given the purpose of the Council, no member should be a former or current member of an Ontario police service or police association.

RSVP TO:

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Memo

To: Mayor Gibson & Members of Council
From: Lee Gudgeon, Manager of Protective Services
Date: February 5, 2020
Re: Issued Building Permits – January 2020

Please find attached the monthly report of the building activity within the Township of Wainfleet for the month of January 2020 as found at "Appendix "A".

The attached report summarizes for the month of January 2020 the number of building permits issued by the Building Department and has been provided to inform Council of the types and volume of building activity within the community. This communication aligns to Council's adopted strategic plan.

APPENDIX A**Township of Wainfleet Building Permit Report - January 2020**

Permit #	Date Issued	Municipal Address	Description of Work	Value of Construction	Permit Fees
W002-2020	22-Jan-20	11577 Lakeshore Road	Single Detached Dwelling with Covered Porch	\$ 380,000.00	\$ 2,074.93
W003-2020	22-Jan-20	11577 Lakeshore Road	Class 4 Septic System	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 1,165.68
W004-2020	22-Jan-20	10419 Lakeshore Road	Class 4 Septic System	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 1,165.68
W005-2020	28-Jan-20	42424 Highway 3	Pole Barn	\$ 80,000.00	\$ 1,125.76
				\$ 493,500.00	\$ 5,532.05

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February 5, 2020

The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario
Premier's Office, Room 281
Legislative Building, Queen's Park
Toronto, ON, M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Ford:

Re: Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

Please find attached the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford's Resolution No. R-029-20, with respect to the Village's concerns surrounding the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry's practices and procedures while implementing designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands.

While the attached resolution is tailored to a Village-specific issue, it is Council's position that the concerns expressed therein are being experienced by municipalities Province-wide.

Thank you in advance for the consideration that you give this matter.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Robertson".

Doug Robertson
CAO/Clerk/Director, Economic Development

c. Honourable John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry
Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
Andy Brown, CAO of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville
Association of Municipalities of Ontario
Rural Ontario Municipal Association
All Ontario municipalities



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For Clerk's use only, if required:
Recorded Vote Requested By:

Cameron	Y	N
Foster	Y	N
Halpenny	Y	N
Molloy	Y	N
Struthers	Y	N

Resolution Number: R - 029 - 20

Date: January 27, 2020

Moved by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

Seconded by: Cameron Foster Halpenny Molloy

WHEREAS the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is endeavouring to adopt a new Official Plan as required per Section 17 of the *Planning Act* and the Village is required to incorporate the Provincial Policy Statements of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statements require the Village to provide in its Official Plan the updated provisions of new and expanded Provincially Significant Wetlands designations;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that the expansion of these wetlands is detrimentally affecting certain landowners and the Village's assessment base;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that designations of Provincially Significant Wetlands have occurred throughout the Province of Ontario without the provision of supporting evidence;

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AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned about the expansion of the Provincially Significant Wetlands in the Northeast quadrant of the Village;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford is concerned that these wetlands designations have been expanded without the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry having provided to the Village supporting evidence to justify said expansion;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Merrickville-Wolford does hereby respectfully request that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry provide the Village with supporting evidence with respect to the expansion of these wetlands designations;

AND THAT the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry re-evaluate the subject properties without delay;

AND THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to the Honourable Premier Doug Ford, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Rural Ontario Municipal Association and all Ontario municipalities.

Carried / Defeated


J. Douglas Struthers, Mayor



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Agatha Robertson, Director of Council Services & Clerk

February 6, 2020

Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
The Honourable Steve Clark
777 Bay Street
Toronto ON, M5G 2E5
17th Floor

Re: Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians Program

At the January 28, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council, the Town of LaSalle's Council gave consideration to correspondence received from the Township of Wainfleet requesting support in activating the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians program (DRAO) to assist in their efforts to repair damage and loss to property and private infrastructure.

At the meeting, LaSalle Council passed the following resolution:

*That the correspondence received from the Township of Wainfleet, dated January 13, 2020, requesting the Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians program be activated **BE SUPPORTED** and that a letter of support **BE SENT** to the Honourable Steve Clark, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.*

Carried.

Please consider this letter as confirmation of the Town of LaSalle's support of the above matter.

Respectfully,

Agatha Robertson
Director of Council Services/Clerk

Cc: Township of Wainfleet



From: Sudbury Feral Cat Advocates [<mailto:sudburyferalcatadvocates@gmail.com>]
Sent: February-07-20 11:07 AM
To: William Kolasa
Subject: Integrity Commissioner Complaint Fee

Dear City Clerk at Wainfleet Township:

I was reading the Code of Conduct, the Complaint form and the information on your Wainfleet Township City Hall website at the following links:

<http://www.wainfleet.ca/government/council-menu/2016-09-08-19-44-10>

<http://www.wainfleet.ca/images/ComplaintForm.pdf>

http://www.wainfleet.ca/images/BL044-2016_Council_Code_of_Conduct_AS_AMENDED_by_Resolution_No._C-041-2018_v2.pdf

I noted that your bylaw BYLAW NO. 044-2016 states the following under section 17 i), page 12:

" i. A Complainant shall pay to the Clerk of the Township a refundable fee in the amount of \$100.00 if they are an Infrequent Complainant, or in the amount of \$500.00 if they are a Frequent Complainant, upon filing of a Complaint, which, unless the Integrity Commissioner concludes that the Complaint is frivolous, vexatious, or not made in good faith, the fee shall be refunded to the Complainant when the Integrity Commissioner files their report under subsection 17(g)."

As well, your Township web page linked above states:

'Refundable Fee

A complainant shall pay to the Clerk of the Township a refundable fee in the amount of \$100.00 if they are an infrequent complainant, or in the amount of \$500.00 if they are a frequent complainant, upon filing of a complaint, which, unless the Integrity Commissioner concludes that the complaint is frivolous, vexatious, or not made in good faith, the fee shall be refunded to the complainant when the Integrity Commissioner files their report.'

I would ask that these fees be removed from your Code and Website as they appear to be a democratic and financial barrier to limit access to a level of Government.

Many thanks for your consideration and response to my request as the Clerk.

Sincerely,

Rose Beaulieu

Sudbury, ON

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January 22, 2020

William Kolasa
CAO/Clerk
Township of Wainfleet
wkolasa@wainfleet.ca

Dear Mr. Kolasa:

The Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) is seeking input on a proposal to streamline Drainage Act approval processes that would address common stakeholder concerns about the act while maintaining our province's high environmental standards. This is part of our government's broader initiative to reduce regulatory burden in consultation with the farm and agri-food sector while preserving rules that keep Ontarians safe and healthy.

The Drainage Act Discussion Paper is posted on the province's Environmental Registry at ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-1187. It describes some of the proposed changes which would reduce costs and project delays for farmers and other rural landowners and municipalities. The paper also poses questions for your feedback.

OMAFRA will be hosting webinars for key stakeholders who play an important role in the Drainage Act. The webinars are scheduled for:

January 31st	10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Municipalities
January 31st	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Conservation Authorities
February 7th	10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	Drainage Industry
February 7th	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	General Farm Organizations

To register, please contact the Agricultural Information Contact Centre (AICC) by email to ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca or call 1-877-424-1300. Although the webinars are targeted to specific audiences, you are very welcome to enroll at a time or date that better suits your schedule.

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Printed copies of the French Discussion Paper are also available from the AICC on request.

Our Ministry is committed to relieving the red tape burden that will ensure drainage continues to deliver critical economic and environmental benefits that will help rural communities, agricultural landowners and drainage contractors save money and/or time. We are confident the proposed changes will assist in making this a reality.

I look forward to your input.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ernie Hardeman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "E" and a long, sweeping tail.

Ernie Hardeman
Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs



Tim Hortons 2020 Bowl for Kids Sake

February 6, 2020

Dear Mayor Gibson and Council Members,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of Big Brothers Big Sisters and our initiatives within your community. Once again, our annual TIM HORTONS BOWL FOR KIDS SAKE event is quickly approaching and as you know, the support raised through this campaign is critical for helping the many at-risk children that are still anxiously waiting to have a caring mentor in their lives. We know that mentorship from an adult gives these children a chance at a positive future and the opportunity to become contributing citizens in our communities.

We hope that you will support us by entering your team(s) into this year's Tim Hortons Bowl for Kids Sake fundraiser for the **MAYORS CHALLENGE**. The Mayor's team that raises the most money will take home the Mayors Challenge trophy. Last year, Fort Erie took the trophy home! Attached, you will find a captains package that outlines prizes, pledge sheets and further instructions. You also have the option to register online: www.mentoringniagara.ca

We will be hosting the event at two locations. Dates, time and locations are as follows:

Welland Dates:

Saturday, March 7, 2020 | 4:30 pm OR 7 pm

Wednesday, March 11, 2020 | 4 pm

Jeff's Bowl-O-Rama, 968 Niagara St., Welland

Fort Erie Dates:

Saturday, March 14, 2020 | 4:30 pm OR 7 pm

Lucky Stryx, 7 Klauck St., Fort Erie

We look forward to hearing from you and can't wait to see you at this year's event!

Sincerely,

Barb Van Der Heyden, P.Mgr
Executive Director

Celia Carr
Fundraising & Events Coordinator



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Niagara Falls

Cataract Bowl | 7906 Lundy's Lane | Niagara Falls

Saturday, February 22, 2020 | 6:00 PM | 8 PM

Strike Rock N'Bowl | Clifton Hill | **Industry Night** |

Thursday March 5, 2020

Call Michelle: 905-357-5454 ext 221

South Niagara

Jeff's Bowl-O-Rama | 968 Niagara St. Welland

Saturday March 7, 2020 | 4:30 PM | 7 PM

Jeff's Bowl-O-Rama | 968 Niagara St. Welland

Industry Night | **Wednesday March 11, 2020 | 4:00 PM**

Lucky Stryx | 7 Klauck St. Fort Erie

Saturday, March 14, 2020 | 4:30 PM | 7 PM

To REGISTER: mentoringniagara.ca

Call Celia: 905-735-0570 ext 221