



# COUNCIL INFORMATION PACKAGE

## SUMMARY

OCTOBER 16, 2020

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1. **C-246-2020**  
Correspondence received October 16, 2020 respecting the Rural Ontario Municipal Association Annual Conference for 2021.
2. **C-247-2020**  
Correspondence dated October 8, 2020 from the Town of Plympton-Wyoming respecting a motion of support of the Municipality of Tweed's motion regarding Cannabis Production Facilities, the Cannabis Act, and Health Canada Guidelines.
3. **C-248-2020**  
Correspondence received October 16, 2020 from the Township of Madawaska Valley respecting a motion of support of the Municipality of Tweed's motion regarding Cannabis Production Facilities, the Cannabis Act, and Health Canada Guidelines.
4. **C-249-2020**  
Correspondence dated October 5, 2020 from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority regarding Good Forestry Practices Permit Application for 53658 Smith Road, Wainfleet.
5. **C-250-2020**  
Correspondence dated October 13, 2020 from the Township of Blandford-Blenheim regarding a motion respecting unlicensed and unmonitored cannabis grow operations.



Rural Ontario  
Municipal Association

Annual Conference

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# ROMA: Connecting Rural Ontario

The ROMA Board is pleased to launch its 2021 virtual conference:

*Connecting Rural Ontario, January 25th -26th*

Connecting with each other and the province has never been more important. The 2021 virtual ROMA Annual Conference is an opportunity to connect with colleagues and the province and learn from experts on important rural issues. As in previous years the 2021 Conference will feature Minister's Forums, provincial delegation meetings, networking opportunities and much more.

ROMA is pleased to announce Chantal Hébert, national affairs writer for the *Toronto Star*, guest for the magazine *L'Actualité* and a regular commentator on CBC's *The National*'s weekly At Issue panel, as the conference opening keynote Ms. Hebert will examine current, critical policy issues within the national context.

Register today - early bird registration rates will remain in effect until December 31, 2020.

For Conference and registration details, please visit: <http://www.roma.on.ca/Events/2021ROMAConference.aspx>



Municipality of Tweed (via e-mail)  
255 Metcalf St.  
Tweed ON K0K 3J0

October 8, 2020

**Re: Support of Resolution from the Municipality of Tweed – Cannabis Production Facilities, the Cannabis Act, and Health Canada Guidelines**

Please be advised that on September 30<sup>th</sup> 2020 the Town of Plympton-Wyoming Council passed the following motion to support the Municipality of Tweed's motion (attached) regarding Cannabis Production Facilities, the Cannabis Act, and Health Canada Guidelines that was passed on August 25<sup>th</sup> 2020:

***Motion #12*** – Moved by Netty McEwen, Seconded by Tim Wilkins that Council support the correspondence item 'o' from the Municipality of Tweed regarding Cannabis Production.

**Motion Carried.**

If you have any questions regarding the above motion, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email at [ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca](mailto:ekwarciak@plympton-wyoming.ca).

Sincerely,

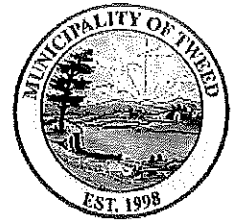
Erin Kwarciak

Clerk

Town of Plympton-Wyoming

Cc: (all sent via e-mail)  
Municipality of Tweed  
Prime Minister of Canada  
Health Canada  
Premier of Ontario  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing  
Ontario Provincial Police  
AMO  
All municipalities within the Province of Ontario

## Municipality of Tweed Council Meeting



**Resolution No.**

343.

**Title:**

County of Hastings and County of Lennox & Addington

**Date:**

Tuesday, August 25, 2020

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**Moved by**

J. Flieler

**Seconded by**

J. Palmateer

WHEREAS the Government of Canada passed the *Cannabis Act S.C. 2018, c. 16* legislation legalizing properties to grow a maximum of 4 plants without a licence; and

WHEREAS Health Canada issues licences for medicinal cannabis production that are specific to set properties without municipal consultation and regardless of land use zoning by-laws; and

WHEREAS pharmaceutical companies and industries are required to follow strict regulations and governing legislation to produce medicinal products including *Narcotic Control Regulations C.R.C., c 1041* and *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (Police Enforcement) Regulations SOR/9-234*; and

WHEREAS Municipalities are authorized under the *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C. P 13* to pass a comprehensive zoning by-law that is in compliance with the appropriate County Official Plan which must be in compliance with the Provincial Policy Statement, Under *The Planning Act, 2020*; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statement, Official Plan and Zoning By-Law in effect for each area is designed to secure the long-term safety and best use of the land, water and other natural resources found in that area's natural landscape; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Tweed has passed *Comprehensive Zoning By-Law 2012-30* and further amended it by the *Cannabis Production By-Law 2018-42*, limiting cannabis production facilities to rural industrial zoned lands with required setbacks from residential zoned properties; and

WHEREAS the Municipality of Tweed has not been consulted by Health Canada prior to the issuance of licences for properties not in compliance with the Municipal zoning by-laws for a cannabis production facility; and

WHEREAS the Province needs to amend legislation to establish a new Provincial Offence Act fine regime that creates an offence(s) when unlicensed cannabis operations break planning and environmental regulations, ignore Building Code requirements and build without a permit at a fine of at least \$100,000 per offence;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipality of Tweed requests that immediate action be taken by all levels of government for medical cannabis licencing to follow similar regulations and guidelines as all other pharmaceutical industries;

AND FURTHER, that the Association of Municipalities of Ontario advocate with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities for advocacy to the Government of Canada for similar regulations and guidelines for medical cannabis licencing in alignment with other pharmaceutical industries;

AND FURTHER, that the distribution of medical cannabis be controlled through pharmacies in consistency of all other medications;

AND FURTHER, that Health Canada withhold licencing until the potential licence holder can provide evidence of acceptable zoning of the intended property in question;

AND FURTHER, that licenced locations be disclosed in advance to the municipalities hosting the licenced locations; and

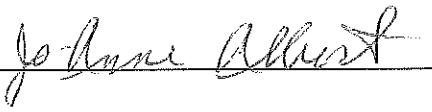
AND FURTHER, that this resolution be circulated to the Prime Minister of Canada, Health Canada, the Premier of the Province of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Provincial Police, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all upper, lower and single tier municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

**Carried**

**Defeated by a Tie**

**Defeated**

Mayor

  
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**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF MADAWASKA VALLEY**

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**Moved by: Councillor Peplinski**      **2020-01-15 Sep 2020**  
**Seconded by: Councillor Willmer**      **15 September 2020**

BE IT RESOLVED

THAT the Township of Madawaska Valley supports the following resolution from the Municipality of Tweed:

WHEREAS the Government of Canada passed the Cannabis Act S.C. 2018, c. 16 legislation legalizing properties to grow a maximum of 4 plants without a licence; and WHEREAS Health Canada issues licences for medicinal cannabis production that are specific to set properties without municipal consultation and regardless of land use zoning by-laws; and

WHEREAS pharmaceutical companies and industries are required to follow strict regulations and governing legislation to produce medicinal products including Narcotic Control Regulations C.R.C., c 1041 and Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (Police Enforcement) Regulations SOR/9-234; and WHEREAS Municipalities are authorized under the Planning Act, R.S.O. 2020, C. P 13 to pass a comprehensive zoning by-law that is in compliance with the appropriate County Official Plan which must be in compliance with the Provincial Policy Statement, Under The Planning Act, 2020; and WHEREAS the Provincial Policy Statement, Official Plan and Zoning By-Law in effect for each area is designed to secure the long-term safety and best use of the land, water and other natural resources found in that area's natural landscape; and

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electronically to [qdombroski@madawaskavalley.ca](mailto:qdombroski@madawaskavalley.ca)***



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AND FURTHER, that this resolution be circulated to the Prime Minister of Canada, Health Canada, the Premier of the Province of Ontario, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario Provincial Police, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, and all upper, lower and single-tier municipalities within the Province of Ontario.

*Gwen Dombroski*

**X CARRIED.**

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Gwen Dombroski, Deputy Clerk

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Received October 9, 2020  
C-249-2020

October 5, 2020

File: FOCP 1.1.29.2.12

Leo and Beatrice Droppert  
53658 Smith Road  
Wainfleet, ON L0S 1V0

Dear Mr. and Ms. Droppert

Re: Good Forestry Practices Permit Application  
Tree and Forest Conservation Bylaw 30-2008  
CON 5 PT LOT 36 and 37  
53658 Smith 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 John Todd. 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 (2020-11) 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: Ken Stayzer, 62606 Travers Road, Wellandport, ON L0R 2J0  
John Todd, 457 King Edward Street, Paris, ON N3L 3E3  
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: 2020-11**

**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:** October 5, 2020  
**PERMIT EXPIRY:** October 4, 2021

**PERMIT ISSUED TO:**

Name: Leo and Beatrice Droppert  
Address: 53658 Smith Road, Wainfleet, ON  
Postal Code: L0S 1V0 Telephone: 289-213-3382

**LOCATION OF WOODLAND:** (See map in Appendix A)

Legal Desc: CON 5 PT LOT 36 and 37  
Road: 53658 Smith Road  
Municipality: Wainfleet

**REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL FORESTER (or Associate Member)**

Name: John Todd  
Address: 457 King Edward Street, Paris, ON  
Postal Code: N3L 3E3 Telephone: 519-442-3102

**CERTIFIED TREE MARKER:**

Name: John Todd  
Address: 457 King Edward Street, Paris, ON  
Postal Code: N3L 3E3 Telephone: 519-442-3102

**LOGGING CONTRACTOR:**

Name: Ken Stayzer  
Address: 62606 Travers Road, Wellandport, ON.  
Postal Code: L0R 2J0 Telephone: 905-899-7878

**NPCA APPROVAL:**

  
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Dan Drennan, R.P.F.  
Forester

## GOOD FORESTRY PRACTICES PERMIT

### CONDITIONS

The following conditions apply to **Permit # 2020-11**

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 orange 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  $\geq 35$  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  $\geq 4$  m long and  $\geq 30$  cm deep (Figure 1) as stated in the *OMNR Forest Management Guide for Conserving Biodiversity at the Stand and Site Scales (2010)*.

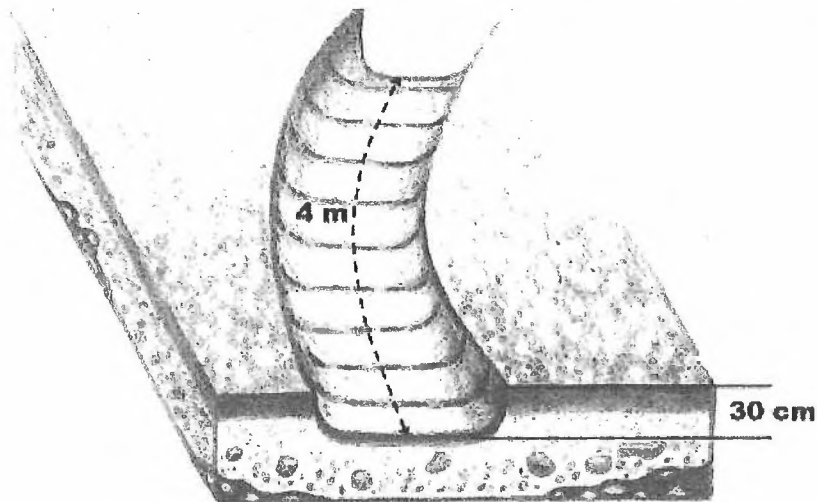


Figure 1. Graphical representation of a rut (Illustration by Mandy Saille).

#### **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.

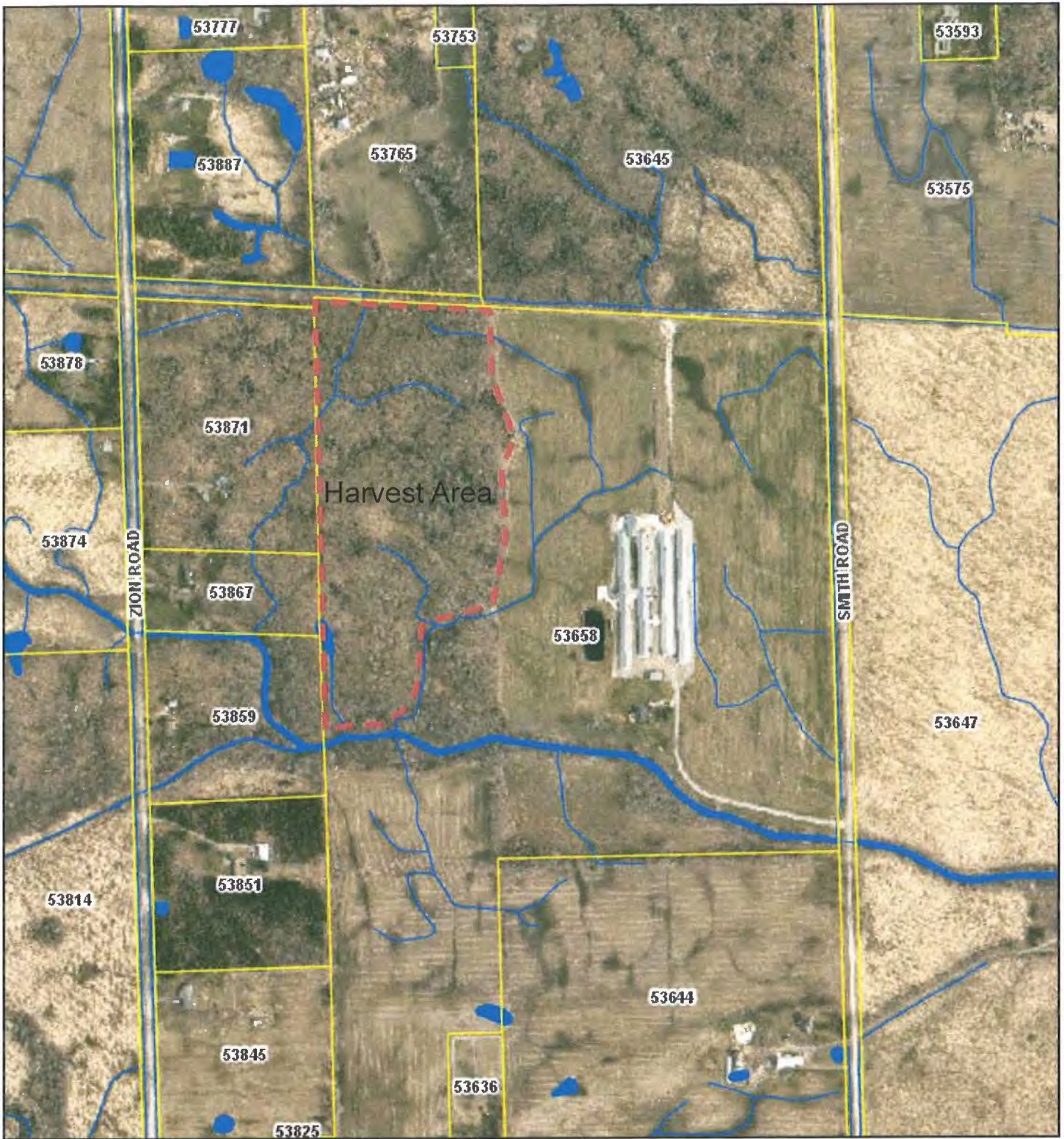
12. The landowner or the logging contractor must notify the Bylaw officer at the NPCA of the exact day when operations are to commence. The notification must be three (3) working days (excludes weekend days) before commencement

**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.

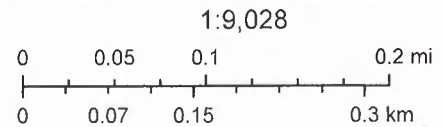
**APPENDIX A**  
**MAP OF WOODLAND LOCATION**



# Permit 2020-11: Droppert Woodlot



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Brian Lee, Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI, Esri China (Hong Kong), (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS User Community



**APPENDIX B**  
**SILVICULTURAL PRESCRIPTION**

**MARKING PRESCRIPTION**  
**WILDLIFE AND FORESTRY CONSULTING**

**Property Location:**

Ownership: Leo Droppert      Compartment area: 20 acres 911#  
Lot: 36/37    Conc.: S    Former Township: Wainfleet    County: Niagara  
Mailing Address: 53658 Smith Rd.      Phone: 289-213-3381

**Contractor Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Person in charge of Tree Removal \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated Starting Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Compartment Site Characteristics:**

Soil type: <u>Sandy Loam</u>	Drainage: <u>Good to Imperfect</u>
Topography: <u>Flat to slightly sloping</u>	Water features: <u>Dug drain along road and field</u>
Species Composition: <u>Ms<sub>4</sub>Or<sub>3</sub>Be<sub>1</sub>OH<sub>2</sub></u>	Access: <u>From field</u>
Physical Features: <u>n/a</u>	Height: <u>80</u>
Other features: _____	

**Stand Description:**

Roughly half of this stand is typical soft maple/red oak and the other half is composed primarily of upland tolerant hardwoods. The last harvest was approximately 12 years ago. Residual damage is low and there are few major defects. A high percentage of red oak and soft maple is coppiced but the average quality is good. The stand has deep, well drained, vernal pools. The moisture regime has changed since the edges of the field were ditched and many sections dominated by soft maple have an understory of hard maple saplings. There is some signs of crown decline in the soft maple around the vernal pools – likely a result of drier conditions for more of the growing season. Advanced and early hardwood regeneration is abundant. Ash appears to be the most common seedling but there is ample red oak and soft maple. Beech bark disease is omnipresent and beech root suckers are affecting early regen establishment but salvaging any remaining beech should aid in the transition. Average pre-harvest basal area is approximately 26 m<sup>2</sup>/ha.



**Tree Regeneration Assessment Table:**

Stage of Development	Species	Quantity (per cent cover)	Pattern of Distribution
Early (<0.5 m tall)	Soft maple	Some	Patchy
	Ash	Ample	Uniform
	Red oak	Some	Patchy
Advanced (> 0.5m tall)	Soft maple	Little	Patchy
	Hard maple	Ample	Scattered
	Ash	Some	Scattered

Note quantity •little <10 percent •some 11-30 percent  
 •ample 31-60 percent •heavy >60 percent

Pattern of distribution •scattered •uniform •patchy

## Marking Instructions:

This woodland will be marked under single tree selection using good forestry practices. Priority of removal will be given to all marketable beech and ash as well as any beech poles or root suckers that are convenient for the logger to lay down. Quality red oak and soft maple stems should be release from direct competition. Single stems with high vigor should be retained over coppice stems. Oak and hickory shall be given priority of retention over tolerant hardwoods. Where hard maple is well established and competing directly with oak and hickory, small patches of group selection may be warranted to aid in mid-tolerant hardwood regeneration. Edge trees of a merchantable size should be considered for removal if they have heavy branches or they are leaning out towards the field. Where hazel is present in the understory overtopping trees should be considered for removal in order to improve nut production. Average post-harvest basal area should be approximately 17 m<sup>2</sup>/ha.

## Long-term management objectives (20 years).

The long-term objectives of this woodland are as follows:

- 1) Encourage high quality wildlife habitat through the retention of oak and encouraging hazel thickets;
- 2) Producing high quality trees for timber production and aesthetic value; and
- 3) Improving resilience of the woodland by encouraging diversity of species and tree health.

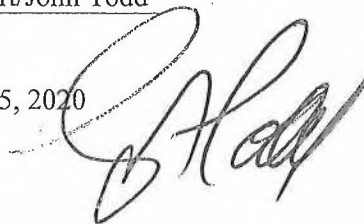
## Short-term management activities (5 years).

Short term management objectives are as follows:

- 1) Break down tops to encourage decomposition;
- 2) Cutting patches of spicebush where tree regeneration is lacking.
- 3) Maintain the internal trail system for recreation and future logging access.

Prepared By: Travis Lockhart/John Todd

Date: September 5, 2020




*Marking Prescription*

# Tree Summary For Leo Droppert

Item #	Description	Qty	FBM
1	Red Oak	25	9190
2	Black Cherry	13	1901
3	Elm	1	99
4	Hard Maple	22	4187
5	Hickory	18	2576
6	Beech	3	473
7	Poplar	24	4662
8	Basswood	25	4606
9	Soft Maple	94	22458
	Total Logs	225	50152
	Fuel Wood	181	75 Cords





## Township of Blandford-Blenheim

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October 13, 2020

Emailed to the Federal Minister of Health, Federal Minister of Justice and Attorney General, Federal Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, Oxford MP, Oxford MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities in Ontario.

### **Re: Unlicensed and unmonitored cannabis grow operations**

Please be advised that at the Regular Meeting of Council on October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020, the Council of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim passed the following resolution:

**Resolution Number: 2020-14**

**Moved by: Councillor Nancy Demarest**

**Seconded by: Councill Bruce Banbury**

**“That Whereas unlicensed and unmonitored cannabis grow operations have increasingly become a problem in communities in Ontario as well as across the Country; and,**

**Whereas these operations are allowed to establish with little or no consultation with the local community and municipalities are often only made aware of their existence after conflicts arise with neighboring land owners; and,**

**Whereas loopholes in existing Federal legislation allow these large scale grow op’s to establish and operate without any of the regulations or protocols that licensed and monitored operations need to adhere to,**

**BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim urges the Federal Government to amend the legislation under which these facilities operate to ensure the safety and rights of the local communities in which they are situated are respected; and,**

**That this resolution be forwarded to the Federal Minister of Health, Federal Minister of Justice and Attorney General, Federal Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, Oxford MP, Oxford MPP, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and all municipalities in Ontario.”**

Regards,

Sarah Matheson  
Deputy Clerk  
Township of Blandford-Blenheim