



Launching the Thousand Islands Parkway Trail Advisory Committee

*St. Lawrence Parks Commission and Ontario Trails Council Hosting Latest Public Meetings to Introduce Committee Representing Trail Interests Oct 19 and 20
Sept 27, 2021 9:30 A.M.*

Morrisburg, Ontario — Following two meetings with significant public interest, and a summer-long development process with a core group of community members who stepped up to lead, St. Lawrence Parks Commission (SLPC) and the Ontario Trails Council (OTC) will hold a set of public-facing meetings on October 19 and 20, 2021 to introduce the community to the Thousand Islands Parkway Trail Advisory Committee.

The Trail Advisory Committee is establishing itself as an independent body to help guide decision-making and shape the Thousand Islands Parkway Multi-Use Recreational Trail for the future. As a community-led advisory body, the committee will promote public awareness of trail etiquette and trail activities, as well as about allowed use on the trail, to create a safe environment for multi-use recreation. As it develops, the committee will also work toward assisting in fundraising for the trail and providing voluntary trail maintenance support to the trail infrastructure.

The committee includes representation from partners Front of Yonge Township and the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands, St. Lawrence Parks Commission, as well as members of the public from recreational groups, trail user federations, and people who live on and use the Thousand Islands Parkway every day.

The public meeting will also include a discussion about trail maintenance plans and next steps to address winter use concerns raised this past winter.

How to Participate

Public meetings are open to all, including those that may have missed previous meetings. To accommodate as many participants as possible, there will be two opportunities to attend the latest meeting: an evening discussion on October 19, 2021, and a day event on October 20, 2021. Content presented in both meetings will be the same.

- October 19, 2021 from 6-8 pm EST [[More details and register](#)]
- October 20, 2021 from 1:30-3:30 pm EST [[More details and register](#)]

Updates and previous meeting notes are posted on
<https://www.parks.on.ca/about/projects/regional-trails-committee/>

Additional Resources

- [Consultation Key to Thousand Islands Regional Trails Committee Development](#)
- [The Start of a Trail Alliance for the Thousand Islands Parkway Recreational Trail](#)

About St. Lawrence Parks Commission

The St. Lawrence Parks Commission, an agency of the Government of Ontario, operates facilities stretching from Kingston to the Quebec border, including Upper Canada Village, Fort Henry National Historic Site of Canada (and a UNESCO World Heritage Site); Kingston Pen Tours, Skywood Eco Adventure, Crysler Park Marina, Upper Canada Golf Course, Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary and 14 campgrounds and beach day-use picnic areas including the Long Sault and Thousand Islands Parkway.

To learn more, visit www.parks.on.ca.

About The Ontario Trail Council

The Ontario Trails Council is a charity that promotes the development, preservation, management and use of recreational trails and trail-based activity in Ontario.

Ontario Trails Council brings the right people together to provide reliable information that advances the management and operation of recreational trails, while providing public access to the largest multi-use trail inventory in Canada.

To learn more, visit www.ontariotrails.ca.

About Front of Yonge Township

Located in beautiful Eastern Ontario along the St. Lawrence River, Front of Yonge Township was incorporated as a separate municipality in 1905. As a member municipality of the United Counties of Leeds & Grenville, it has a rich history dating back centuries. Part of the world famous 1000 Islands with 46 islands within its borders, the area is home to natural waterfronts and multiple recreational trails, providing striking scenery.

To learn more, visit www.mallorytown.ca.

About The Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands

The Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands (TLTI) was incorporated in 2001 by the amalgamation of the Township of Escott, Township of Front of Leeds and Lansdowne, and the Township of the Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne. The Mayor, Council, staff and volunteers work collaboratively to ensure that quality services are provided to residents, businesses and visitors. TLTI provides services including; treasury and administration, recreation and leisure programming, planning and development supports; waste management and public works. It is the mission of the Township to continue to be a friendly, historic community surrounded by natural beauty, where the economy, nature, and people flourish. This is achieved by planning for the built environment, delivery of quality programming to enhance the quality of life, and provision of infrastructure including roads, bridges, parks, facilities and more.

To learn more, visit www.leeds1000islands.ca.

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