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Ontario Stewardship



Ontario Stewardship: Bringing People Together

Presentation Overview

- The Ontario Stewardship (OS) Model

- Background

- ❖ Provincial Delivery Model

- Provincial Successes



- *Parry Sound - Muskoka Stewardship Network*

- Who “We” are

- ❖ Programs and Initiatives

- Local Successes



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Ontario Stewardship (Background)

- ❑ *Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources*
 - ❖ Private Land Forestry Programs
 - ❖ Woodland Improvement Agreements

- ❑ Ontario Stewardship Program

- ❑ MFTIP & CLTIP



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Ontario Stewardship (Background Cont.)

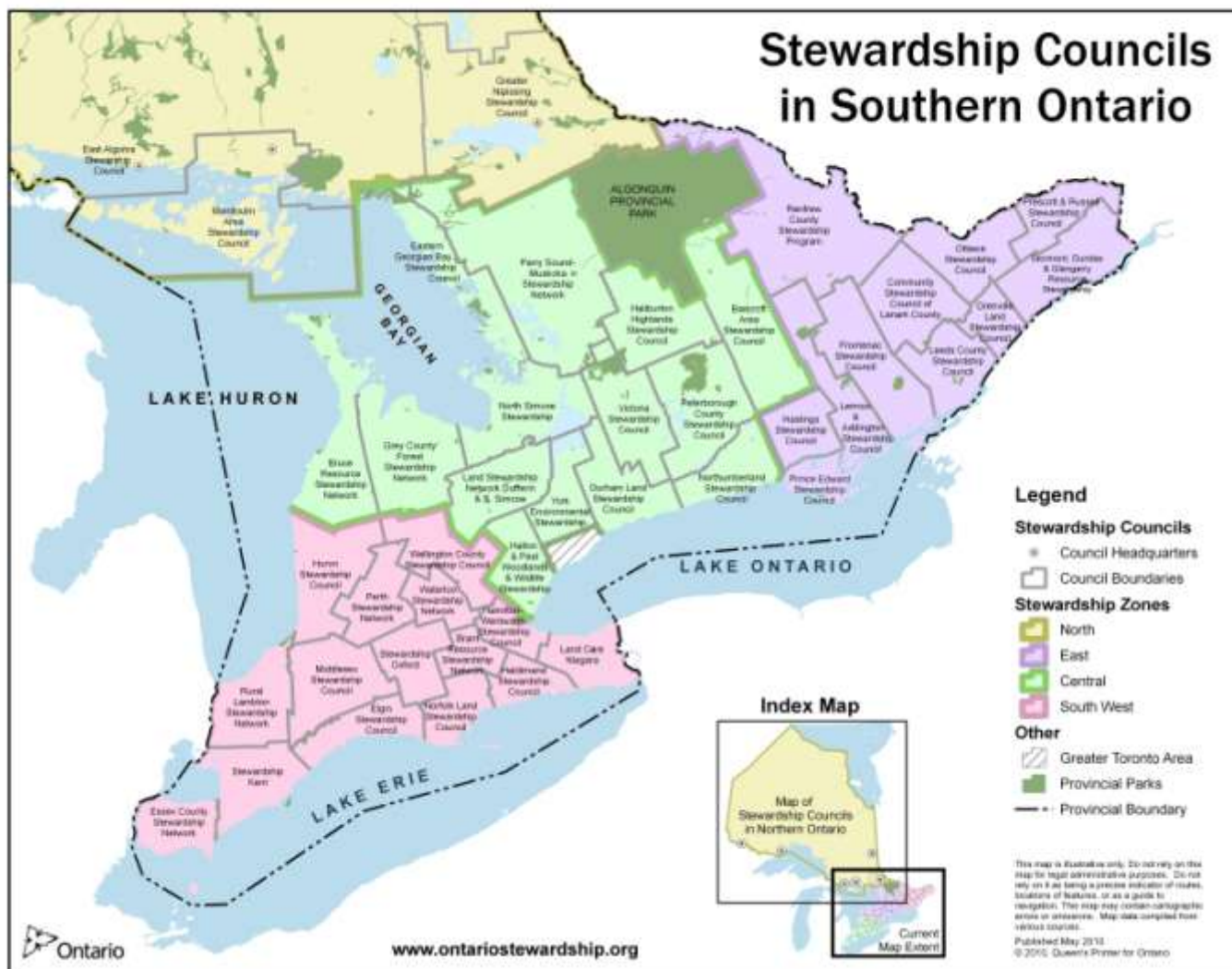
- Est. 1994
- Private Lands Stewardship & Southern Ontario
- Approx. 40 Individual Stewardship Councils/Networks
 - ❖ 12-14 Members from varying backgrounds



*Environmental Non-Government Organizations

- ❖ “Seed Money” provided
- ❖ Collaboration, Cooperation, and Partner Delivery
- Work of each Council/Network **unique** to geographic area – “community approach.”

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Accomplishments of OS (2008/2009)

- ❑ Raised \$18,000,000 in project contributions
(1:5 – for every dollar invested by MNR, community partnerships yielded a \$5 project investment)
- ❑ Engaged 3,195 stewardship partners
- ❑ Completed 574 community-driven projects
- ❑ Hosted 660 education events attended by more than 170,000 people.
- ❑ We're moving "North" with the establishment of 6 new councils (ex. Manitoulin Island, North Bay, Kenora, Sault St. Marie)

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“Our Stewardship Network is committed to advancing and influencing the responsible care and use of the land and its natural resources in the Parry Sound – Muskoka Area, for this and future generations.”

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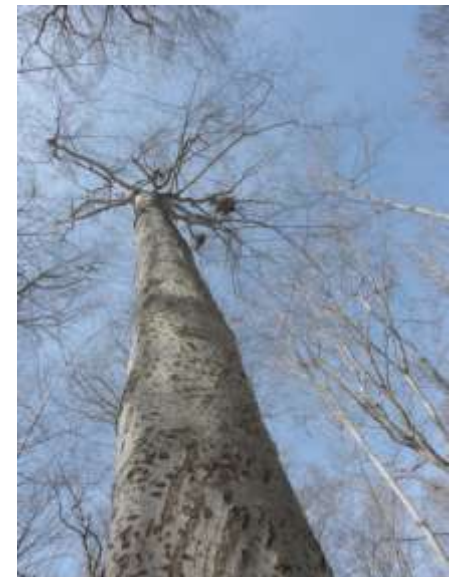
Programs & Initiatives

- ❑ Workshops
- ❑ Youth Initiatives
- ❑ Awards & Bursaries
- ❑ Bracebridge Resources Management Centre
- ❑ Special Projects
- ❑ Resources

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Workshops

- *Stewardship Series*
 - Management Options for your Woodlot
 - Maple Syrup – Operations and Opportunities
 - What's New in Wildlife Research



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Workshops (cont.)

- ❑ *Nature Quest*
 - Tree ID
 - Species at Risk
 - Birds & Bats
 - Wildlife CSI



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Youth Initiatives

- Envirothon



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Youth Initiatives (Cont.)

- ❑ Stewardship Rangers



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Awards & Bursaries

- Community Stewardship Awards



- Charlie Esson Stewardship Bursary



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Bracebridge Resource Management Centre (Demonstration Forest)



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Special Projects

- ❑ Envirocredits
- ❑ Landowner's Guides
- ❑ Haliburton – Muskoka Children's Water Festival
- ❑ Best Practices Series
- ❑ Georgian Bay Biosphere Conservancy
(SAR related Education and Communication Info)
- ❑ Stewards' Guides

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Resources



- ❑ Extension Notes
- ❑ Forest Management Guides
- ❑ MFTIP information
- ❑ Forest Insect and Pest Information
- ❑ Species at Risk Information
- ❑ Stewardship Guides

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Successes

- ❑ Provided more than **40 stewardship rangers** with valuable work and life experience.
- ❑ More than **300 high school students** have been **learning outside** of the classroom with Envirothon.
- ❑ More than **1000 people** have attended stewardship related workshops.
- ❑ Provided advice and handed out more print resources than you can “shake a stick at.”
- ❑ Continually partner on projects and leverage dollars to multiply our efforts on special projects.

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- ❑ Looking for a resource ?
- ❑ Interested in attending a workshop ?
- ❑ Do you know someone who deserves recognition for their stewardship activities or leadership ?
- ❑ Interested in volunteering at one of our events ?
- ❑ Looking for a partner and/or support for your stewardship related event/project ?

Parry Sound – Muskoka Stewardship Network

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