



Participate



OTTAWA VALLEY FOREST 2011-2021 Forest Management Plan

We are looking for your input. Are you interested in...

- Natural resource management of the Ottawa Valley Forest?
- The long-term management strategy for the Ottawa Valley Forest?
- Being involved in the planning process and development of the Forest Management Plan?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then the **Forest Management Planning Team** (members listed below) and the **Local Citizens Advisory Committee** (LCAC) need your input to develop the 2011 – 2021 Forest Management Plan (FMP) for the Ottawa Valley Forest.

How to Get Involved

The FMP will outline the long-term management strategy for the Ottawa Valley Forest and you will have the opportunity to provide details on:

- What kind of forest and benefits the plan should strive to provide;
- Where harvest, planting and tending operations will take place;
- Where access road construction will take place during the first five-year term;
- The proposed areas of operations for the second five-year term.

Your comments and input will help us develop a balanced, well-informed FMP for the Ottawa Valley Forest. The background information used to develop the FMP will be available for public review throughout the planning process. Any additional background information that you can provide would be appreciated. Summary maps showing information about fish and wildlife habitat, parks and protected areas, tourism facilities as well as many other features on the Ottawa Valley Forest are available; these maps, known as “values maps”, will be useful for anyone with an interest in this forest management unit.

The 2011-2021 Forest Management Plan will be prepared by the following planning team members:

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The planning team members, the MNR District Manager and the LCAC 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.

Stay Involved

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

- Review of the Long Term Management Direction July 3, 2009
- Information Centre: Review of Proposed Operations January 16, 2010
- Information Centre: Review of the Draft Forest Management Plan June 26, 2010
- Inspection of MNR-Approved Forest Management Plan November 10, 2010

The general information regarding the FMP process as well as the information described in this notice will be available at the Ottawa Valley Forest Inc. office and at the Pembroke MNR office, at the addresses shown below, during normal office hours. An appointment may be made during non-business hours.

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MNR 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 (MNR) to send you further information related to this forest management planning exercise. If you have questions about use of your personal information, contact Joanna Gaweda, MNR District Planner, at 613-732-5522. Renseignements en français : 613-732-5411

