

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Lake Links Workshop

**When:** Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007, 9:00am to 3:30 pm  
(Coffee and displays at 9:00)

**Where:** Perth and District Collegiate Institute  
(13 Victoria St., Perth)

**Cost:** \$10 per person (includes lunch and refreshments)



Centre for Sustainable Watersheds developed **Lake Links** in 2002, and increasingly over the last three years the organization of the event has been shared with a number of regional partner groups. It provides the opportunity for representatives of lake associations and other volunteer stewardship groups in Eastern Ontario to come together with government and non-government agencies to listen to speakers, share information, and address common lake community issues and concerns that matter most to Eastern Ontario lake communities.

This year, the **Lake Links** presentations and panel discussions by local experts will address:

## **Session 1: Municipal Official Plans and Bylaws – Looking Forward**

- Discussion of Official Plan and by-law examples that support sustainable development and protection of lake environments
- What steps are being taken to include lake management plans into Official Plans?
- By-law enforcement techniques/examples

## **Session 2: Aquatic Vegetation Growth and Algae**

- Presentation: What is Algae? Why is it in my lake? Causes and effects of algae blooms on lake environments – Bev Clark, Ministry of the Environment

Bev Clark coordinates the Ministry of the Environment Lake Partner Program which uses volunteers to monitor phosphorus and water clarity in lakes throughout Ontario. Bev has recently been involved in lake water quality projects that examine the link between nutrients and lake productivity, and the impacts of trophic interactions and invading species.

- Aquatic vegetation: Strategies for dealing with aquatic vegetation on lakes and the permitting process

## **Session 3: Septic Re-inspection Programs**

- Presentation/Case Study: 3-Mile Lake Septic Re-inspection Program – Sandy Bos, Township of Muskoka Lakes

Starting in 1981, Sandy Bos inspected sewage systems under Ontario's Cottage Pollution Control Program. In 1998, Sandy Bos began working for the Township of Muskoka Lakes as a Building Inspector (Onsite Sewage Systems). Before joining the Township of Muskoka, Sandy created BOS Environmental Consulting.

- Septic re-inspection programs in Eastern Ontario - Updates and results

## **Session 4: Updates and Information Sharing** from Lake Associations and other organizations

A discussion period will follow each of the topics with lots of time for questions. For more information, please see the attached tentative agenda or contact Andrea Klymko at 613.692.3571 ext.1173 [andrea.klymko@rideauvalley.on.ca](mailto:andrea.klymko@rideauvalley.on.ca).

**Space is limited** so register online with the **Centre for Sustainable Watersheds** by emailing Amelie at [amelie@watersheds.ca](mailto:amelie@watersheds.ca). Be sure to include the names and contact information of the representatives attending from your organization or association.








## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual **Lake Links** Workshop - Tentative Schedule

Displays: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Workshop sessions: 9:35 am to 3:30 pm wrap up

	<b>Registration and Displays</b>	9:00am – 9:30am
	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b>	9:30am – 9:35am
<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Municipal Official Plans and Bylaws – Looking Forward</b>	9:35am – 10:20 am
<b>Discussion Panel</b>	Matt Craig, Rideau Valley Conservation Authority David Hahn, South Frontenac Sheldon Laidman, Township of Rideau Lakes Steve Pentz, Tay Valley Township consultant	
<b>Break</b>	<b>10 min</b>	
<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Aquatic Vegetation Growth/ Algae Issues</b>	10:30am – 11:45am
<b>Presentation</b>	Bev Clark: What is Algae? Why is it in my lake? Causes and effects of algae blooms on lake environments	
<b>Discussion Panel</b>	Anne Bendig, Ministry of Natural Resources Valerie Blezeski, Parks Canada Bev Clark, Ministry of the Environment Mark Ferguson, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Tanya McLaurin, Ministry of Natural Resources	
<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Networking and Displays</b>	11:45am – 12:30pm
<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Septic Re-inspection Programs</b>	12:30pm- 2:00pm
<b>Presentation</b>	Sandy Bos – Case Study: Three Mile Lake - blue green algae outbreak and subsequent re-inspection program	
<b>Discussion Panel</b>	Sandy Bos, Township of Muskoka Lakes Mark Green, Lanark Leeds & Grenville Health Unit Jamie Saunders, Tay Valley Septic Office	
<b>Break</b>	<b>10 min</b>	
<b>Session 4</b>	<b>Updates - Lake Associations and other organizations</b>	2:10pm – 3:20pm
	FOCA – Terry Rees, Executive Director Lake Associations and other organizations and groups	
<b>Wrap up</b>	<b>10 min</b>	3:20pm to 3:30pm

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-  **Bobs and Crow Lakes Association**
-  **Cataraqui Region Conservation**
-  **Centre for Sustainable Watersheds**
-  **Community Stewardship Council of Lanark County**
-  **Federation of Ontario Cottagers Association**
-  **French Planning**
-  **Friends of the Tay Watershed**

-  **Frontenac County Stewardship Council**
-  **Leeds County Stewardship Council**
-  **Mississippi Valley Conservation**
-  **Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources**
-  **Otter Lake Association**
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-  **Rideau Valley Conservation Authority**