

**Northeast Region  
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**MANAGEMENT PLANNING**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**



**Provincial Parks**

Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater  
Makobe-Grays River  
Obabika River  
Solace  
Sturgeon River

**Conservation Reserves**

CR 32 East Lady Evelyn Lake  
CR 33 Sugar Lake  
CR 44 Bob Lake  
CR 50 Pinetorch Lake  
CR 52 Jim Edwards Lake  
CR 53 North Yorston  
CR 55 Smith Lake  
C 1608 Makobe-Grays Ice Margin

**Temagami Crown Land Recreation**



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## 1. Introduction

These Terms of Reference cover a consolidated planning process which will address three, inter-related but distinct, government commitments made in the *Temagami Land Use Plan* (OMNR, 1997) and *Ontario's Living Legacy Land Use Strategy* (OMNR, 1999).

In order to meet these commitments within the *OLL Strategy (OLL)* and the *Temagami Land Use Plan (TLUP)*, the following planning components are being integrated into one process since there is a strong interrelationship among them:

- a) management planning for five provincial parks in the Temagami and Kirkland Lake areas;
- b) management planning for eight conservation reserves which lie adjacent to the parks;
- c) development of a Crown Land Recreation Plan for lands subject to the *TLUP*.

The first component, park management planning, will cover one wilderness and four waterway parks. The five parks are Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater (wilderness), Makobe-Grays River, Obabika River, Solace, and Sturgeon River (all waterway parks). All five parks share a common theme in that they provide relatively remote wilderness experiences, are physically connected to each other and share similar patterns of use. One park management plan will be produced for the five parks.

The park planning framework will also be used in planning for the eight conservation reserves (CRs) lying adjacent to the parks. The parks and CRs share similar resource management concerns and recreational pressures. This combined framework will enable planning to take into account the permitted uses/activities of the eight CRs and the effect they may have on park ecosystems, management or operations. A resource management plan will be produced for the eight CRs<sup>1</sup>. The plan will deal specifically with lands and waters within CRs, however it will take into consideration adjacent parks and unregulated Crown land. The eight CRs are:

CR 32 East Lady Evelyn Lake  
CR 33 Sugar Lake  
CR 44 Bob Lake  
CR 50 Pinetorch Lake<sup>2</sup>

CR 52 Jim Edwards Lake  
CR 53 North Yorston<sup>2</sup>  
CR 55 Smith Lake  
C 1608 Makobe-Grays Ice Margin (*OLL* site)

The third component involves development of a recreation plan for unregulated Crown land within the Temagami Area of MNR's North Bay District, as well as that portion of Kirkland Lake District subject to the *Temagami Land Use Plan*. This will ensure that recreational aspects of the *TLUP* are consistent with planning for the five provincial parks and eight CRs.

This integrated planning approach will enable the broader social and ecological issues of parks, CRs and Crown land recreation within the *TLUP* area to be considered. Although integrated, it is recognized that enough flexibility may have to be considered within the process to allow the continuous progression of each planning component.

While the majority of planning will occur within the Temagami administrative area of MNR's North Bay District, some of the parks and conservation reserves lie within or abut the adjacent

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<sup>1</sup> Seven "existing" CRs under the *Temagami Land Use Plan*; one "new" CR under *Ontario's Living Legacy Land Use Strategy*.

<sup>2</sup> CR not yet regulated, but anticipated to occur within the planning timeframe and included in this process.

MNR districts of Kirkland Lake and Sudbury. For those portions of the planning area which lie outside of the Temagami Comprehensive Planning Area (Figure 1), direction will be taken from *Ontario's Living Legacy Land Use Strategy* (OMNR, 1999) and the respective *District Land Use Guidelines* (DLUGs) for Kirkland Lake and Sudbury districts (OMNR, 1983).

## **2. Background**

The Temagami area is renowned for its rugged landscape and significant natural, cultural and recreational resources. Approximately one sixth of Temagami's land base (over 103,000 hectares) has been regulated as wilderness or waterway provincial parks (Table 1). Eight conservation reserves (Table 2) which abut the parks offer an additional 41,000 hectares of protected area. From a recreational perspective, the Temagami area has been a canoeing destination for over a century, and offers over 2,400 kilometres of canoe routes which lie within parks, conservation reserves and on Crown land.

The area attracts visitors from provincial, national and international markets. A 1995 survey estimates over 60,000 visitor-days of wilderness canoeing and backcountry travel in the Temagami area; forty percent of this use ( $\pm 24,000$  visitor-days) occurred within the five parks. Use is expected to increase with the growing interest in adventure travel and relatively accessible wilderness experiences. The majority of travel into the parks and conservation reserves occurs from access points a considerable distance away. Many canoe routes start and/or finish well outside of park or CR boundaries, on adjacent Crown lands.

The *Temagami Land Use Plan* (TLUP) designates specific land use zones and provides direction for the use and management of resources within each zone. The land use zones and their respective management objectives are greatly influenced by park-related values. Similarly, many of the adjacent land uses and area management objectives will significantly affect the planning and management of parks and CRs.

*Ontario's Living Legacy Land Use Strategy* replaces the overall *Northeast Strategic Land Use Plan*. At the district level, wherever the *Strategy* and the 1983 DLUGs address the same topics, the *Strategy* provides the current direction. In the specific case of the former Temagami District, the *Temagami Land Use Plan* was released prior to development of the *Strategy*. The approved land use plan for Temagami will continue to guide planning activities for this specific planning area, and is deemed to be part of the *Strategy*.<sup>3</sup>

The *Temagami Land Use Plan* makes specific commitments to complete park management plans and to develop a Crown land recreation plan for the Temagami area. The TLUP designated a total of 16 "protected areas" which are in the process of being regulated as conservation reserves. Seven of the 16 CRs within the Temagami area will be covered in this integrated planning process since they lie adjacent to the five parks. New conservation reserves have also been designated under OLL; one of these, C1608, straddles Makobe-Grays River Provincial Park, which is included in the Temagami Comprehensive Planning Area. To ensure planning consistency, the integrated planning process will include this additional CR.

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<sup>3</sup> *Ontario's Living Legacy Land Use Strategy* (OMNR 1999), p. 33

The integrated planning processes will explore ecological and recreational linkages between the interconnecting parks and conservation reserves. It will provide management objectives and outline the desired future condition for each of the five parks and eight adjoining CRs. Resource management planning for the parks and CRs will be carried out to ensure the ecological integrity of these protected areas within the Temagami and Kirkland Lake landscape.

Due to the complex patterns of recreational use between the parks, CRs and adjacent Crown lands, development of the Temagami Crown land recreation plan will be integrated into the combined planning process. The Crown land recreation plan will contribute to the achievement of a number of objectives within the *Temagami Land Use Plan*<sup>4</sup>.

### **3. Issues and Opportunities**

The integrated management planning process will address a variety of issues and explore opportunities for partnerships and economic development with local communities. While some issues are not of themselves unique to Temagami, the pressure to address them is high given the importance of backcountry recreation to the area, and the direction provided in the *TLUP*.

One overall consideration is the high recreational use that the area receives. The present lack of regulation and management of backcountry visitor use, combined with a lack of maintenance of recreational resources, results in overall environmental degradation and a less-than-satisfactory experience for many visitors.

Within the concept of the *greater surrounding ecosystem*, matters of ecological concern between the parks and conservation reserves need to be addressed in a manner that transcends the jurisdictional boundaries between these sites.

The approach to address backcountry visitor distribution and management between the parks, CRs and surrounding Crown land should offer a seamless experience for canoeists and other non-mechanized visitors. Profound differences in visitor management between these areas would result in decreased customer service and would become overly complex operationally. Similarly, visitors gaining access by mechanized means, or undertaking restricted activities such as hunting, must be made aware of the restrictions in place within a given park, CR or management area.

The following issues and opportunities, which will be addressed, are not in any order or ranking:

#### **I. Recreation Management**

##### ***Customer Service***

- visitor registration
- visitor education, information and enforcement
- visitor safety
- standards for backcountry operations in parks, CRs and other Crown land

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<sup>4</sup> The *TLUP* includes a paper developed by the Comprehensive Planning Council entitled "The Temagami Recreation Area Strategy." This document provides the basis for development of a Temagami Crown land recreation plan.

### ***Access***

- visitor distribution within parks, CRs; integration with travel on adjacent Crown lands
- uncontrolled road access to, and within, parks and CRs
- existing road access through Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater wilderness park
- uncontrolled trail development, especially within “protected areas”
- mechanized off-road travel—all terrain vehicles and snowmobile access—within wilderness and waterway parks, various CRs; use of portage routes as ATV trails
- private and commercial aircraft access
- motor boat access in wilderness park
- maintenance of Crown land access points

### ***Research***

- assessment of recreational users’ needs: individuals, commercial outfitters, youth camps

## **II. Social/Economic Opportunities**

### ***Tourism***

- enhance existing tourism infrastructure and encourage tourism on Crown land
- protect remote tourism values
- provide opportunities to discover and experience the area’s natural, cultural, recreational and historic resources
- the importance of backcountry recreation to tourism in the Temagami area
- the need for canoe route maintenance in order to support backcountry recreation

### ***Operations/management***

- opportunities for partnership development for operations and maintenance of parks and Crown land sites or facilities
- need for funding Crown land recreation management in the Temagami Management Area
- explore the collection of backcountry user fees to support backcountry management
- non-operational status of parks; operational status would enable the collection of revenues for park operations/management in order to fulfill Ontario Parks’ objectives

## **III. Resource Protection/Management**

### ***Cultural***

- cooperation with Temagami aboriginal community and Matachewan First Nation to ensure the protection of cultural/natural heritage
- identification, assessment and management of heritage resources

### ***Environmental***

- need for a user distribution system to reduce crowding and environmental impacts in parks, CRs and on Crown land
- need to promote a wilderness ethic and encourage low-impact camping techniques among users through information, education and enforcement
- need to prevent campsite overuse and subsequent degradation
- need for appropriate zoning designations in the wilderness and waterway parks, and consideration of these zones in adjacent conservation reserves

- fire management strategies for wilderness and waterway parks
- angling pressures and protection of parks fisheries; within CRs, sustaining high quality angling opportunities within a context of increased demand for public motorized access

#### ***Research***

- establish priorities for further research for management purposes
- role of parks and CRs as benchmark sites for future research

#### ***Adjacent Land Uses/Activities***

- impacts of nearby resource extraction activities on park/CR values
- impacts of park/CR management/operations on adjacent lands and waters
- supportive landscape management within greater surrounding ecosystem

#### ***Rehabilitation/Restoration of Ecosystems***

- ecological restoration of park/CR fisheries, aquatic habitats and acid-stressed lakes
- removal and rehabilitation of old resource extraction road networks within parks
- restoration of altered forest stands and plantations within parks

## ***4. Individual Planning Components within the Integrated Process***

This integrated planning process is unique to the Temagami area and consists of three distinct components: management planning for five parks, planning for eight conservation reserves and development of a Temagami Crown land recreation plan. Each component is described below.

Due to the complexity of ecological processes, human use patterns and other interrelated issues between the parks, CRs and Crown land, the three planning components will be integrated where feasible, however each has distinct legislative and policy requirements.

A single planning team will undertake a consistent approach within the three components. The park management planning process<sup>5</sup> will provide the overall framework for all planning components, including the overall schedule, documentation and consultation requirements.

In addition to land use planning direction outlined in the *TLUP* and *OLL Land Use Strategy*, the *Ontario Provincial Park Planning and Management Policies* and *Conservation Reserves Policy and Procedure* will provide context for decisions concerning the management and use of protected areas.

Upon completion, a series of documents will constitute the final products of this integrated planning process. These include a park management plan for the one wilderness and four waterway parks, a management plan for the eight conservation reserves, and a Temagami Crown land recreation plan.

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<sup>5</sup> per *Ontario Provincial Park Management Planning Manual* (OMNR, 1994)

#### 4 a) Park Management Planning

A management plan will be prepared for the one Wilderness and four Waterway class provincial parks in the Temagami area (Table 1). This plan will guide the protection and management of resources, visitor use and overall development within the parks. Development of this plan fulfils specific commitments made within the *Temagami Land Use Plan*.

Typically, management plans are developed for individual parks. In this case, management planning will be *integrated* for all five parks since they are physically connected to each other and share similar patterns of use. These parks fall into two of six *classes* of parks within the Provincial Park System—Wilderness and Waterway<sup>6</sup>.

The management plan will set the direction for the zoning, management and operation within the five parks. The plan will be for a 20-year period, with a review every 10 years, or as required. It will serve as a working guide on which to base sound management actions. While this plan will set the overall direction for management, specific actions needed to implement the plan will be provided in subsequent plans; these *Implementation Plans* will provide further detailed guidance for the operation, management and protection of the parks' resources.

The five parks share a common theme in that they provide relatively remote wilderness experiences. They are presently non-operating and have no facilities or operating budgets assigned to them. Visitor use is uncontrolled, often creating environmental impacts on park resources, and a less-than-satisfactory experience for many users. The intent of the management plan is to manage visitor use, protect significant park resources, and ensure that park operations are environmentally, socially and economically sustainable.

**Table 1: Provincial Parks in the Planning Process**

Provincial Park	Class	Area (ha)	Year Regulated	Planning to Date
Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater <sup>7</sup>	Wilderness	72,400	1983	IMS 1984
Makobe-Grays River <sup>8</sup>	Waterway	1,427	1985	IMS 1986
Obabika River	Waterway	20,520	1989	
Solace	Waterway	5,943	1989	
Sturgeon River	Waterway	3,350	1989	IMS 1986

*IMS=Interim Management Statement*

<sup>6</sup> **Wilderness parks** are substantial areas where the forces of nature are permitted to function freely and where visitors travel by non-mechanized means and experience expansive solitude, challenge and personal integration with nature. **Waterway parks** incorporate outstanding recreational water routes with representative natural features and historical resources to provide high quality recreational and educational experiences.

<sup>7</sup> The Lady Evelyn River was first designated as a Wild River (now Waterway) class park in 1973. It was expanded to its present size and designated a Wilderness class park in 1983. It includes the lakes-of-origin for the endangered aurora trout. The park's rugged topography encompasses many high ridges such as Maple Mountain and Ishpatina Ridge—the highest point in Ontario. The park contains significant geological, biological and cultural features.

<sup>8</sup> **Adjoining Waterway Parks:** The Makobe River flows northward from headwaters within the wilderness park. To the west, Solace Provincial Park encompasses a chain of lakes. To the east and south, Obabika River Provincial Park encompasses a number of large lakes and the Obabika River. It also contains old growth pine forests and a significant bog area. To the west and south, the Sturgeon River flows from headwaters within Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater. An addition to Sturgeon River Provincial Park is proposed under *OLL* and requires further public consultation on boundary refinement prior to regulation. This is expected to occur over the next two to three years. Planning for this addition will be accomplished through amendments to the completed management plan.



#### **4 c) Temagami Area Crown Land Recreation Plan**

The Crown land recreation plan will cover unregulated Crown land within the Temagami Area of MNR's North Bay District, as well as that part of Kirkland Lake District subject to the *Temagami Land Use Plan*. This plan will provide direction for implementing recreational aspects of the *Temagami Land Use Plan* in a manner consistent with future management of the provincial parks and conservation reserves in the Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater area.

The completed recreation plan will guide the management of recreational use on Crown lands outside of regulated provincial parks and conservation reserves. It will provide direction for the:

- distribution of users;
- disposition of rights to Crown resources to permit the operation of recreational access points, sites or facilities by outside parties;
- introduction of user fees to support management;
- development of Crown land management partnerships;

Historically, the Ministry of Natural Resources maintained most of Temagami's extensive network of canoe routes. Maintenance of Crown land canoe routes, portages and campsites is no longer part of MNR's core business. As a result, Temagami's canoe routes have deteriorated significantly, despite the efforts of groups such as Friends of Temagami or the Temagami Lakes Association. The current lack of canoe route maintenance and visitor education has resulted in:

- a proliferation of garbage and human waste at campsites
- a general degradation of campsites and indiscriminate cutting of trees/vegetation
- a deterioration of portage trails as a result of deadfalls and overgrown vegetation

These have had the following overall effect on Crown land recreation in the Temagami Area:

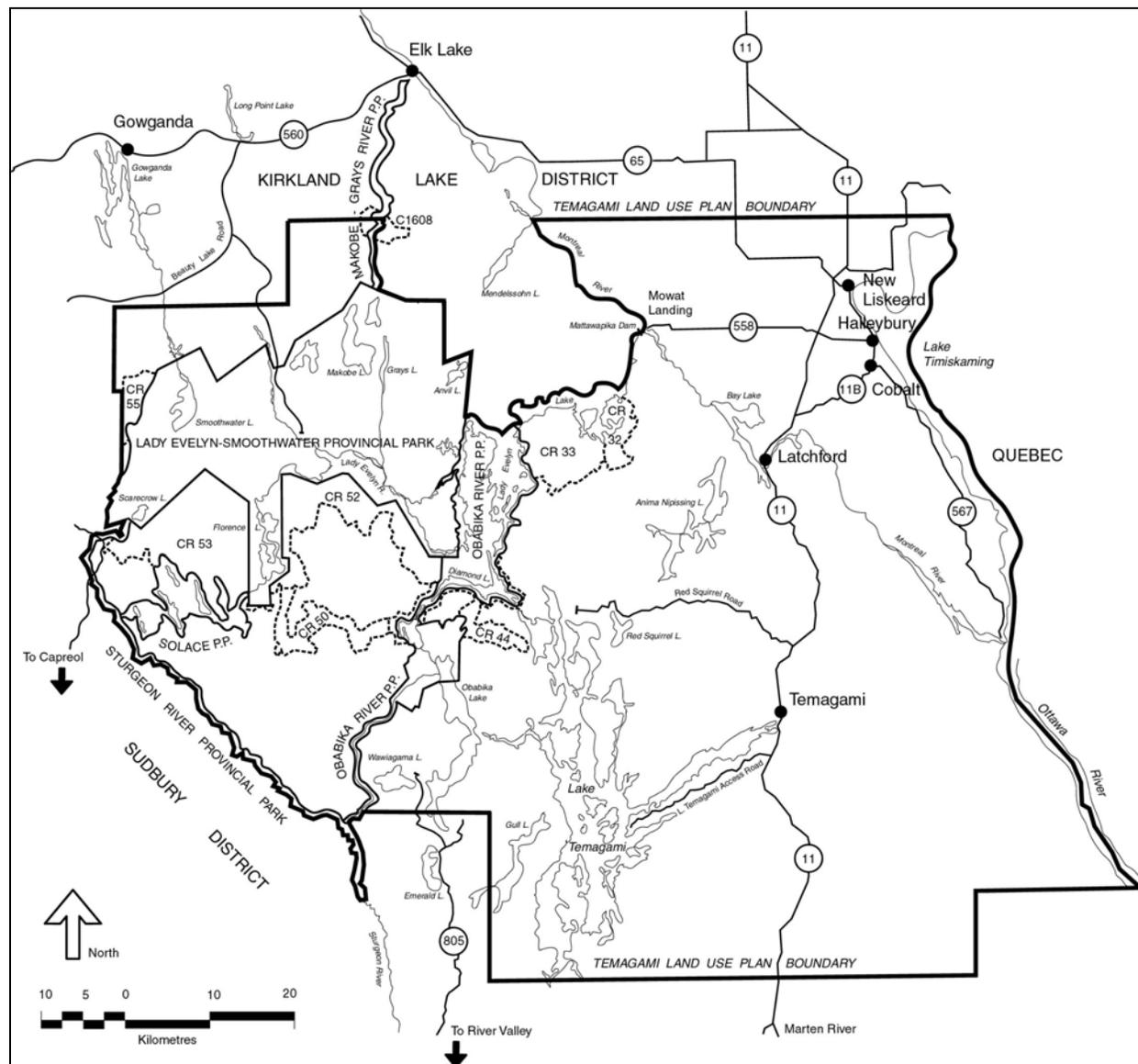
1. Reduced overall desirability of the Temagami area as a canoeing destination.
2. Reduced quality of visitor experience due to poorly maintained portages and campsites, intensification of use leading to competition and reduced experience of solitude.
3. More intense use of a few of the more popular canoe routes. Associated campsites sustain accelerated soil compaction, vegetation removal, firewood gathering and accumulation of human waste.

Through the development of a Temagami Crown land recreation plan, steps will be taken to achieve some of the goals and objectives of the *TLUP*. Through plan implementation, some of the difficult issues affecting Crown land recreation will be addressed promoting the sustainable use and development of Temagami's backcountry recreational resources for the continued benefit of all users and in support of the economy of the Temagami area.

## 5. Planning Area

In order to be effective, planning must take into consideration issues and opportunities associated with lands and communities adjacent to the parks and conservation reserves. The location of the five parks and eight conservation reserves are shown in Figure 1, below. For the purposes of Crown land recreation planning, the entire Temagami Comprehensive Planning Area, as defined in the *Temagami Land Use Plan*, will be used.

**Figure 1: Location of the Parks/Conservation Reserves within Temagami Area<sup>9</sup>**



<sup>9</sup> Four of the five parks lie within MNR's North Bay District. The northern boundary of Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park is shared with Kirkland Lake District. Makobe-Grays River Provincial Park is entirely within Kirkland Lake District. Sturgeon River Provincial Park shares its western boundary with Sudbury District. Six of the eight conservation reserves lie within Temagami area. To the north and west, C 1608 and CR 55 lie within Kirkland Lake District. Recreation planning will apply to all Crown lands encompassed by the *Temagami Land Use Plan*. Key communities and major access points are shown for orientation purposes.

## **6. Steering Committee**

A steering committee will monitor the integrated planning process and provide further direction to the planning team as required. In addition to offering a strategic overview, the steering committee will provide direct links to MNR Northeast Region and to Ontario Parks.

### **Steering Committee**

- Paul Bewick, Zone Manager, Northeast Zone, Ontario Parks
- Dave Payne, District Manager or Bill Hagborg, Acting District Manager, MNR North Bay District
- Corrinne Nelson, District Manager, MNR Kirkland Lake District

## **7. Planning Team**

The planning team includes staff from Ontario Parks and from North Bay and Kirkland Lake Administrative Districts. The team includes representatives appointed by the Temagami aboriginal community and the Matachewan First Nation. Sudbury District MNR staff will not sit on the planning team, however they will be kept informed throughout the planning process and their involvement requested as required.

### **Planning Team**

- John Salo, Superintendent, Temagami Area Parks— Project Co-Manager;
- Greg Gillespie, Acting Area Supervisor, Temagami Area/North Bay District— Project Co-Manager;
- Rick Calhoun, District Planner, North Bay District—lead author, Temagami Crown land recreation plan;
- Sally Renwick, District Planner, North Bay District, MNR—lead author, resource management planning for six conservation reserves in North Bay District;
- Shaun Walker, District Planner, Kirkland Lake District, MNR—lead author, resource management planning for two conservation reserves in Kirkland Lake District;
- Roel Teunissen, Park Management Planner, Temagami Area Parks—lead author, park management plan;
- Representative of the Temagami First Nation—to be appointed by the community;
- Representative of the Teme-Augama Anishnabai- to be appointed by community;
- Representative of the Matachewan First Nation—to be appointed by the community;

### **Roles and Responsibilities**

Team members will use their technical and professional expertise to provide insight and to help address issues that arise during the planning process. The collective responsibilities of team members include the following:

- attend planning team meetings;
- ensure that appropriate planning policies and guidelines are followed and that all requirements are met;
- review and update planning background information;
- encourage integration of planning objectives with the *Temagami Land Use Plan*, *Ontario's Living Legacy Land Use Strategy* and *Kirkland Lake District Land Use Guidelines*

- encourage integration of park planning objectives with planning objectives for adjacent Crown lands—the Temagami Crown land recreation plan and planning for the eight adjacent conservation reserves;
- attend public meetings and information centres as required;
- organize and implement effective public consultation;
- assist in reviewing and responding to public input;
- prepare and review various management planning products and documents; make appropriate modifications as required in light of public input and internal and/or external reviews.

Individual member responsibilities are outlined below:

*Project Co-Managers—Greg Gillespie and John Salo*

- chair planning team meetings;
- act as main contacts for planning team in responding to specific concerns and issues, and for communications with the media;
- maintain communications with ONAS negotiators to ensure that the Temagami aboriginal community is appropriately consulted and to promote a coordinated approach for resource management decisions regarding aboriginal and Crown lands;
- maintain communications with the Temagami aboriginal community and Matachewan First Nation, the planning team, local communities, stakeholders and interested parties

*Four Planners—Rick Calhoun, Sally Renwick, Shaun Walker, Roel Teunissen—joint functions:*

- planner and lead author for their respective component within planning team—parks, CRs, Crown land recreation;
- provide background on issues and operational matters pertaining to their respective planning component;
- responsible for component plan content and supplementary documentation;
- coordinate and implement the integrated planning schedule; schedule meetings as required;
- arrange for technical or professional guidance as required;
- determine planning priorities in consultation with the planning team;
- coordinate preparation of media ads, reports and displays for information centres, workshops and open houses;
- ensure adherence to the *Environmental Bill of Rights* and the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Acts* for all parts of the planning process;
- maintain public relations on matters pertaining to planning process; provide liaison with interested individuals, groups and organizations;
- ensure adherence to requisite policies for their specific component of the planning process
- coordinate map production with MNR GIS staff;
- ensure that all planning components integrate within the overall planning process

*Representatives of the Temagami Aboriginal Community (TFN and TAA) and the Matachewan First Nation —to be appointed by the respective communities*

- advise on aboriginal concerns, issues and initiatives relating to the planning process; ensure that the perspectives of the affected First Nations are considered by the planning team;
- provide advice to the planning team on the impacts of management plan recommendations on the Temagami and Matachewan aboriginal communities;

- provide representation and communication with the Temagami and Matachewan aboriginal communities; assist in the development and delivery of an effective First Nations consultation program

*Note: It is mutually understood that any communications and cooperation between the Temagami or Matachewan aboriginal communities and MNR for planning and operations purposes will be done without prejudice to any future discussions or negotiations between the government of Ontario and these aboriginal communities.*

## **8. Planning Support**

In addition to the planning team, the following MNR staff will be consulted to provide specific expertise as required. Alternate or additional contacts may also be identified.

- Randy Morrison, Area Supervisor, Elk Lake Area/Kirkland Lake District;
- Chuck McCrudden, Area Biologist, Temagami Area/North Bay District;
- Robert Aubin, Fire Management Supervisor, North Bay District;
- Currently vacant, Acting Resource Liaison Officer, North Bay District;
- Kirk Titmuss, Media Relation/ Communications Supervisor, North Bay District;
- Scott Dingwall, District Planner, Sudbury District;
- John Thompson, Natural Heritage Specialist, MNR, Northeast Region;
- Bob Davidson, Senior Conservation Geologist, Ontario Parks, Peterborough;
- Dan Paleczny, Resource Management Coordinator, Ontario Parks, Peterborough;
- Currently vacant, Public Affairs Coordinator, Ontario Parks, Peterborough;
- Mary Lou McKeen, Information Management Supervisor, North Bay District;
- Lori Costello, Senior Area Technician, Temagami Area/North Bay District
- Jeff Gilbert, Sr. Area Technician, Temagami Area/North Bay District;
- Phil Kor, Senior Conservation Geologist, Ontario Parks, Peterborough;
- Bill Crins, Senior Conservation Ecologist, Ontario Parks, Peterborough;
- Nanette Lecompte, GIS Officer, North Bay District;
- Steve Pianosi, GIS Technician, Northeast Zone, Ontario Parks;
- Pauline Haarmeyer, A/Zone Park Planner, Northeast Zone, Ontario Parks
- Ed Morris, A/Zone Ecologist, Northeast Zone, Ontario Parks
- Paula Klockars, GIS Supervisor, Kirkland Lake District
- Gerry Daigle, Resource Liaison Officer, Kirkland Lake District

## 9. Public Consultation

### General Public Involvement

Key to sound planning for the future of these provincial parks, conservation reserves and quality backcountry recreation is public input and involvement. The park management planning process will be used as the framework for this integrated process. It is designed to incorporate public input, review and comment at each stage of the process. Working with a facilitator, the planning team will undertake consultation and solicit public input through a variety of means, including the following:

- conducting a series of presentations, workshops and meetings involving stakeholders, community representatives and interested parties. These will be held in local communities, as well as other locales as may be necessary;
- arranging one-on-one meetings, informal presentations and discussions with interested parties, stakeholders and representatives of local communities;
- making pertinent documents available for review through a “reading room” at the Ontario Parks office, Finlayson Point Provincial Park in Temagami. These materials will also be available in reading rooms at MNR offices in North Bay, Kirkland Lake, New Liskeard and Peterborough;
- providing information, and soliciting involvement and comment from the public through notices and mailings;

Public consultation will build upon previous work by the Comprehensive Planning Program (CPP). Appropriate sections from the previously established CPP mailing list will be used as well as contacts for each component<sup>10</sup> of the planning process. Additional contacts and other information will be added, as it becomes available. There will be a total of five mailings throughout the planning process<sup>11</sup>. Summaries of the preliminary and recommended management plans will be available in French. Information pertaining to the planning process will be made available for public access through the *Environmental Bill of Rights* electronic registry.

Beyond the formal avenues and opportunities built into the planning process, planning team members will be available for informal discussions, meetings and presentations on planning related issues involving interested individuals and groups. Public comments may be sent to:

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Ministry of Natural Resources  
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<sup>10</sup> For example, Ontario Parks PM 11.02.02—*List of Mandatory and Discretionary Contacts*

<sup>11</sup> Refer to Table 4—Integrated Management Planning Schedule.

### One-on-One Information Meetings

Meetings are proposed to exchange information with local governments, communities, interest groups and stakeholders. These may include, but are not limited to, those listed below (Table 3). A key topic will be to explore partnership opportunities to assist in maintaining parks, CRs and Crown land recreation. Local First Nations will be invited to work in cooperation with MNR to protect aboriginal heritage and create economic opportunities. Other communities, interest groups and users will also be invited to assist in maintaining and deriving socio-economic benefit from the Temagami area's recreational resources.

**Table 3: Potential Contacts for Advisory Meetings/Workshops**

Interest/Area	Representatives
First Nations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Temagami Aboriginal Community</li> <li>• Matachewan First Nation</li> <li>• other aboriginal communities</li> </ul>
Local Government/ Economic Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gowganda (unorganized)</li> <li>• Township of James</li> <li>• Temiskaming Municipal Association</li> <li>• Latchford</li> <li>• Municipality of Temagami</li> <li>• Municipality of West Nipissing</li> <li>• City of North Bay</li> <li>• local Chambers of Commerce and Economic Development Committees</li> </ul>
Adjacent Industrial Uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Temiskaming Forest Industry Alliance</li> <li>• other forest industry/mining industry reps.</li> </ul>
Community Advisory Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elk Lake Community Forest</li> <li>• Kirkland Lake and Temagami Local Citizen's Committees (LCC)</li> </ul>
Tourism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters (NOTO)</li> <li>• Temagami Tourist Outfitters Association (TemTOA)</li> <li>• Temagami Canoe Outfitters Association</li> <li>• local lodges and outfitters</li> <li>• Association of Youth Camps of Lake Temagami</li> <li>• Nastawgan Trails</li> </ul>
Canoeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ontario Recreational Canoe Association (ORCA)</li> </ul>
General Parks Use/Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wildlands League</li> <li>• Federation of Ontario Naturalists (FON)</li> <li>• Temiskaming Field Naturalists</li> </ul>
Hunting/Fishing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH)</li> </ul>
Snowmobile Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC)</li> </ul>
Access (general)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• West Nipissing Natural Resources Access Group (WNNRAG)</li> <li>• West Nipissing Outdoors Association</li> </ul>
Environmental	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Friends of Temagami</li> <li>• Earthroots</li> <li>• Northwatch</li> <li>• Temiskaming Environmental Action Committee</li> </ul>
Aircraft Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canadian Owners and Pilots Association</li> <li>• Lakeland Airways (commercial fly-in operator)</li> <li>• Long Point Airways (commercial fly-in operator)</li> </ul>
Citizens-at-Large	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• selected representatives to provide unbiased overview of area concerns</li> </ul>
Cottage Associations etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lady Evelyn Owners and Users Association (LEOUA)</li> <li>• Lake Temagami Permanent Residents Association (LaTemPRA)</li> <li>• Montreal River/Bay Lake Users Association</li> <li>• Cassells and Area Lakes Association (CALA)</li> <li>• Temagami Lakes Association (TLA)</li> <li>• Lady Evelyn Lakes Association (LELA)</li> <li>• Southwest Arm Neighborhood Association (SWANA)</li> <li>• Land Use Permit holders/patent land owners in/near the parks</li> </ul>

## 10. Planning Schedule

The following table forecasts the stages required to complete the planning process:

**Table 4: Integrated Management Planning Schedule<sup>12</sup>**

Item	Requirements/Notes	Dates	Public Consultation
Terms of Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>approval by Managing Director, Ontario Parks and Director, NE Region</li> <li>core team orientation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>approval, July, 2001</li> </ul>	
Invitation to Participate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>45 day public notice period inviting participation in planning process</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>early summer, 2004</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice indicates commencement of planning process</li> <li>newspaper ads</li> <li>mailing list</li> <li>EBR registry notice</li> <li>MNR OLL website</li> </ul>
Background Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>assemble and assess files from former Temagami District Office, Parks Zone office, update as required</li> <li>core team orientation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>draft background info Autumn, 2004</li> <li>additions/revisions based on public input</li> </ul>	
Public Review of Background Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice</li> <li>review period (45 days)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice Autumn, 2004</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EBR Notice of Proposal</li> <li>newspaper ads, website, other media</li> <li>mailings</li> <li>meetings/workshops</li> <li>review period (45 days)</li> </ul>
Issues and Plan Alternatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>review and update information from TLUP</li> <li>public notice</li> <li>review period (45 days)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice Winter, 2004/2005</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EBR Notice of Proposal</li> <li>newspaper ads, website, other media</li> <li>mailings</li> <li>meetings/workshops</li> <li>review period (45 days)</li> </ul>
<u>Draft</u> of Preliminary Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GIS product development</li> <li>draft revisions relative to issues/alternatives comments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spring, 2005</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>internal review</b> by MNR Districts, NE Region and Ontario Parks main office</li> </ul>
Preliminary Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice</li> <li>review period (45 days)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice Summer, 2005</li> <li>end review Autumn, 2005</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EBR Notice of Proposal</li> <li>newspaper ads, other media, parks website</li> <li>mailings</li> <li>meetings/workshops</li> <li>review period (45 days)</li> </ul>
Review Public Comment on Preliminary Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>internal review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter, 2005/2006</li> </ul>	
Recommended Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>summary of public comments</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Late winter, 2006</li> </ul>	
Approved Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>internal reviews and approvals</li> <li>production, printing of plans</li> <li>public opportunity to inspect (45 days)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>approval Spring, 2006</li> <li>Summer, 2006</li> <li>end review Autumn, 2006</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>EBR Notice of Decision</li> <li>media ads</li> <li>distribution and mailings of final document</li> </ul>

EBR = *Environmental Bill of Rights*

<sup>12</sup> This integrated planning process will follow the planning stages outlined for park management planning. Reference: *Ontario Provincial Park Management Planning Manual* (OMNR, 1994).

## 11. Budget Requirements

**Table 5: Integrated Management Planning—Projected Budget**

Planning Stage	Requirements	Cost (\$000)	Details
Terms of Reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>core planning team orientation</li> </ul>	5.0	first meeting, includes aircraft time
Invitation to Participate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>public notice</li> <li>newspaper ads</li> <li>mailing list</li> </ul>	7.0 1.5	
Background Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>one-on-one advisory meetings/workshops</li> <li>GIS analysis/development</li> </ul>	8.0 5.0	travel/meeting expenses
Public Review of Background Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>newspaper ads, other media</li> <li>mailings</li> <li>meetings, presentations</li> </ul>	7.0 1.5 3.0	
Issues and Plan Alternatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>advisory workshop</li> <li>newspaper ads, other media</li> <li>mailings</li> <li>meetings, presentations</li> </ul>	4.0 7.0 1.5 3.0	meeting expenses
<u>Draft</u> of Preliminary Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GIS/graphics development</li> </ul>	3.0	
Preliminary Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>advisory workshop</li> <li>printing/production</li> <li>newspaper ads, other media</li> <li>mailings</li> <li>meetings, presentations</li> </ul>	4.0 3.5 7.0 2.0 3.0	meeting expenses
Review Public Comment on Preliminary Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>possible advisory workshop to present and analyze findings</li> </ul>	4.0	meeting expenses
Recommended Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>finalize GIS/graphic products</li> </ul>	3.0	
Approved Management Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>media ads</li> <li>printing/production</li> <li>distribution of final document</li> </ul>	7.0 14.0 2.5	partial cost recovery through sale of final document <sup>13</sup>
Ongoing/Additional Costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>telephone/fax/office supplies/utilities at Finlayson Point</li> <li>field research/surveys</li> <li>photographic/graphic/computer supplies and equipment</li> <li>facilitator</li> <li>planning team expenses</li> <li>French translation requirements</li> </ul>	8.5 20.0 6.0 40.0 8.0 9.0	
Total Estimated Cost		198.0	

The total estimated cost will cover work undertaken during the overall life of the planning initiative. The estimate includes all three components of the integrated planning initiative. Costs to be covered by Ontario Parks, Kirkland Lake and North Bay districts as part of the work program planning process.

<sup>13</sup> Total estimate does not include potential revenue recovery from sale of final planning documents