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**Attachments:** Town of Prescott Resolution 245-2025 Supporting Docs.pdf; Town of Prescott Resolution 245-2025 Supporting Docs Part 2.pdf; Town of Prescott Resolution 245-2025.pdf

Good morning,

Please see the attached Town of Prescott Resolution - Robust Recycling Program

Thank you,  
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**PRESCOTT**  
EST 1784  
**THE FORT TOWN**

**Regular Council**  
**December 15, 2025**

245-2025

Moved by: 

Seconded by: Justin Kirkley

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott support the Municipality of Tweed's, the Tay Valley Township's, and the Municipality of South Huron's resolutions regarding waste incineration and a more Robust Recycling Program;

AND WHEREAS it is incumbent upon the members of council, MPPs and MPs to make the decisions that will result in the most positive outcomes for now and future generations;

AND WHEREAS continuing to bury garbage in the ground will result in our future generations having lost potable groundwater as a result of garbage leachate rendering is unsuitable;

AND WHEREAS burying garbage, particularly organic waste in landfills, leads to the production of methane a greenhouse gas, which escapes into the atmosphere and contributes to climate change causing more environmental destruction;

AND WHEREAS we continue to destroy our environmental jeopardizing our future generations;

AND WHEREAS we have worldwide technology that will allow us to use of clean incineration and also produce much needed electric energy;

# PRESCOTT

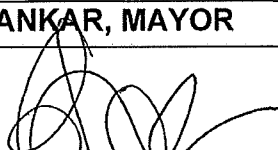
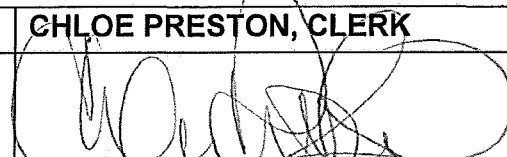
EST 1784

## THE FORT TOWN

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Prescott support the Municipality of Tweed in investigating the possibility of working together with Ontario Municipalities, Provincial and Federal Governments and manufacturing partners to form a working group to ensure that waste disposal issues can be resolved quickly, efficiently and effectively with the use of incineration, more robust recycling programs and sustainable practices, so that future generations will not suffer from our environmental mismanagement;

AND THAT this support be sent to Premier Ford, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition Party, and all Ontario Municipalities.

		REQUESTED BY:	
		RECORDED VOTE	YES NO
		Councillor Leanne Burton	
		Councillor Mary Campbell	
		Councillor Justin Kirkby	
<b>CARRIED:</b>	P	Councillor Lee McConnell	
<b>TABLED:</b>		Mayor Gauri Shankar	
<b>DEFEATED:</b>		Councillor Ray Young	
<b>RECORDED VOTE:</b>		Councillor Tracey Young	

<b>GAURI SHANKAR, MAYOR</b>	<b>CHLOE PRESTON, CLERK</b>
	



# Tay Valley Township

October 24, 2025

The Honorable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Sent by Email

Dear: Honorable Doug Ford,

**RE: Municipality of Tweed – Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management in Ontario.**

The Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township at its meeting held on October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION #C-2025-10-22**

**MOVED BY:** Fred Dobbie  
**SECONDED BY:** Marilyn Thomas

**“WHEREAS**, the Council of the Corporation of Tay Valley Township Support the Municipality of Tweed’s resolution regarding waste incineration and a more Robust Recycling Program;

**AND WHEREAS**, It is incumbent upon the members of council, MPP's and MPs to make the decisions that will result in the most positive outcomes for now and future generations;

**AND WHEREAS**, with large urban centres now looking in rural areas of our province and entire country for lands to bury their garbage waste;

**AND WHEREAS**, a large landfill site owned by a large urban centre which receives 50% of their garbage at the present time is expected to be full by 2029 creating more environmental impacts;

**AND WHEREAS**, continuing to bury garbage in the ground will result in our future generations having lost potable groundwater as a result of garbage leachate rendering it unusable;

**AND WHEREAS**, burying garbage, particularly organic waste in landfills, leads to the production of methane a greenhouse gas, which escapes into the atmosphere and contributes to climate change causing more environmental destruction;

**AND WHEREAS**, we continue to destroy our environment jeopardizing our future generations;

**AND WHEREAS**, we have worldwide technology that will allow us the use of clean incineration and also produce much needed electric energy;

**AND WHEREAS**, the incineration of household and other municipal waste has a long tradition in Germany, which currently has 156 municipal thermal waste incineration facilities with an aggregate annual capacity of around 25 million tons;

**AND WHEREAS**, with a strong focus on community involvement, innovative infrastructure, and sustainable practices, Germany has set a high bar for municipal recycling programs that the rest of the world can learn from and emulate;

**AND WHEREAS**, at the present time, Germany recycles 66.1% of its garbage waste at a municipal level. This places the country as the most effective and prominent country when it comes to recycling in the entire world. This highlights the citizen's strength and motivation to deal with environmental issues on a daily basis;

**AND WHEREAS**, German schools often integrate recycling education into their curriculum. This early exposure to the importance of recycling instills a sense of responsibility in the younger generation, creating a culture of sustainability that transcends generations;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT**, the Council of Tay Valley Township support the Municipality of Tweed in investigating the possibility of working together with Ontario Municipalities, Provincial and Federal Governments and manufacturing partners to form a working group to ensure that waste disposal issues can be resolved quickly, efficiently and effectively with the use of incineration, more robust recycling programs and sustainable practices, so that future generations will not suffer from our environmental mismanagement;

**AND THAT**, this support be sent to Premier Ford, Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition Party, and all Ontario Municipalities.”

**ADOPTED**



If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (613) 267-5353 ext. 130 or [deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@tayvalleytwp.ca)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Aaron Watt".

Aaron Watt, Deputy Clerk

cc: Marit Stiles, Leader of the Official Opposition Party,  
All Municipalities in Ontario



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November 5, 2025

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Main Legislative Building, Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A5

Dear Hon. Doug Ford,

**Re: Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management**

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Please be advised that South Huron Council passed the following resolution at their November 3, 2025, Regular Council Meeting:

445-2025

Moved By: Ted Oke

Seconded by: Aaron Neeb

**That South Huron Council support the October 21, 2025 Resolution of Tay Valley Township regarding Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management; and**

**That the supporting resolution and originating documentation be circulated to Premier Ford, AMO and all Ontario Municipalities.**

Result: Carried

Please find attached the originating correspondence for your reference.

Respectfully,

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Encl.

cc: AMO, [resolutions@amo.on.ca](mailto:resolutions@amo.on.ca); and all Ontario Municipalities

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Good afternoon,

Please see the attached media release and photo for your consideration in relation to the County of Renfrew's advocacy efforts during the recent Rural Ontario Municipal Association Conference in Toronto.

The cutline is embedded in the photo and also copied below:

*During the 2026 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Conference in Toronto this week Renfrew County Warden Jennifer Murphy had a chance to advocate for a number of County of Renfrew priorities during discussions with Members of Provincial Parliament including Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Tourism, Culture and Gaming Billy Denault (left) and Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Rob Flack. County of Renfrew photo*

Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out.

Thanks for your consideration and have a good evening

Tina

*Tina Peplinskie*

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**RELEASE DATE:**  
January 21, 2026

## **County of Renfrew officials attend 2026 ROMA conference in Toronto**

Representatives from the County of Renfrew met with several Members of Provincial Parliament during the 2026 Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) Conference to discuss and advocate for issues and challenges faced by rural municipalities in Ontario.

Held in Toronto from January 18-20, the theme of this year's conference was ROMA 2026: Ontario's Rural Leaders Conference with a focus on unique challenges faced by rural municipalities. It provided an opportunity for municipal and provincial officials to connect to discuss these challenges and work towards meaningful solutions.

The gathering also provided valuable opportunities for rural-focused education, expert-led panels, keynote sessions, and engagement with key municipal sector partners, all addressing the day-to-day realities faced by local municipal leaders.

Aside from taking in the keynote address by political columnist Chantal Hébert, remarks from Ontario Premier Doug Ford and several other provincial ministers and opposition party leaders, the ROMA Conference offered municipal officials from the County of Renfrew the chance to foster partnerships and relationships across the sector, and advocate for change.

The County of Renfrew was fortunate to take part in several delegation meetings:

- **Ministry of Energy & Mines – Associate Minister Sam Oosterhoff:** Advocating for support to advance local biomass projects, grid upgrades, and economic development tied to Whitewater Region's magnesium mine.
- **Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Gaming – Minister Stan Cho:** Highlighting the need for stable, equitable tourism funding and MAT reforms to support rural operators and economic development.
- **Ministry of Education – Parliamentary Assistant Jess Dixon:** Addressing growing child-care needs driven by population growth and incoming military personnel, calling for expanded investment in spaces and programs.
- **Ministry of Health – Parliamentary Assistant John Jordan:** Requesting expansion of the Learn and Stay Grant to include paramedic programs, funding for the Mesa Initiative, and movement toward paramedic self-regulation.
- **Ministry of Long-Term Care – Minister Natalia Kusendova-Bashta:** Seeking permanent and expanded funding for the Community Paramedic Long-Term Care Program to support seniors aging in place.

- **Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade – Parliamentary Assistant Stéphane Sarrazin:** Emphasizing the need for enhanced, stable funding for the Small Business Enterprise Centre Network (Enterprise Renfrew County) to better support local entrepreneurs.
- **Ministry of Natural Resources – Associate Minister Kevin Holland:** Discussing forestry sector priorities and regional economic opportunities in terms of local biomass projects.
- **Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agribusiness – Minister Trevor Jones:** Discussing abattoir capacity, guardian dog legislation, deadstock capacity and other barriers to growth within the agriculture sector in Renfrew County.

Renfrew County Warden Jennifer Murphy called the ROMA Conference an invaluable opportunity for Renfrew County and she is encouraged by the conversations which occurred.

“These meetings allow us to speak directly with provincial leaders about the realities our communities face and the innovative solutions we are advancing locally. I am incredibly proud of how County Council and our staff work together to present clear, united messages that reflect the needs of our residents,” she said. “Delegation sessions give us the chance to advocate for fair access to services, strategic investment, and the partnerships that keep our County strong. I look forward to continuing this work in the weeks ahead as we champion made-in-Renfrew County approaches that truly support our communities.”

County officials had the opportunity to join other municipal delegations to show support for their requests to various provincial ministries.

As part of the ROMA Tradeshow there was a MESA booth featuring front-line staff who shared successes of the collaborative approach to compassionate care in the community to address the root causes of homelessness, substance use and addictions and mental health. While this model started in Renfrew County and it is now being duplicated in communities around the province.

The Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) is the rural voice of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO). The Association is an integral part of AMO and several of its Executive Members serve on the AMO Board of Directors. Policy, research and advocacy activities are undertaken by ROMA through AMO. ROMA represents rural communities through its policy and advocacy.

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**Attachments:** Renfrew County January 2026.docx

Good afternoon,

Attached is an update about the progress made in the EORN Cell Gap Project. It shows the progress of the project to date for the county your municipality is in.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Have a great day.

Marco

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# EORN Cell Gap Project Monthly Update

## January 2026

### Regional view

	Planned	Completed	New this month
Upgrades to existing towers	311	311	n/a
New towers in service	257	167	8
New co-locations	89	78	1
Land use authority	257	256	2
Please note that this information is collected monthly and is subject to change as the project moves forward.			

### Renfrew County

	Planned	Completed	New this month
Upgrades to existing towers	25	25	n/a
New towers in service	47	38	2
New co-locations	11	10	0
Land use authority	47	46	0
Please note that this information is collected monthly and is subject to change as the project moves forward.			

Note: data is updated by Rogers on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month. Data provided for this update was received on January 15, 2026.

## Renfrew County Uplifts Build Schedule

Tower identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C0367	Chalk River	Town of Laurentian Hills	In-service
C1911	Deep River	Town of Laurentian Hills	In-service
C1948	Petawawa	Town of Petawawa	In-service
C4723	Petawawa Blvd. and Festubert Blvd.	Town of Petawawa	In-service
C4724	Petawawa Blvd and Sharon St.	Town of Petawawa	In-service
C4820	Petawawa and Civic Centre	Town of Petawawa	In-service
C3434	Douglas	Township of Adamston-Bromley	In-service
C3425	Eganville	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C3439	Constant Lake	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C3049	Calabogie	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C1910	Mackey	Township of Head, Clara and Maria	In-service
C1912	Bisset Creek	Township of Head, Clara and Maria	In-service
C2382	Renfrew Town	Township of Horton	In-service
C3437	Killaloe	Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards	In-service

## Renfrew County Uplifts Build Schedule

Tower identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C0377	Cobden	Township of Laurentian Valley	In-service
C0414	Pembroke	Township of Laurentian Valley	In-service
C2706	Barry's Bay	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C2914	Combermere	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C3438	Wilno	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C4077	Barry's Bay Town	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C0410	Renfrew	Township of McNab-Braeside	In-service
C7844	Braeside	Township of McNab-Braeside	In-service
C3436	Golden Lake	Township of North Algona Wilberforce	In-service
C2569	Highway 17 and Haley Station	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service
C4088	Highway 17 and Cobden	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service

## Renfrew County Co-location Build Schedule

Tower Identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C4084	Chalk River at Ottawa River	Town of Deep River	2026
C4087	Deep River Town	Town of Laurentian Hills	In-service
C6629	Meilleurs Bay	Town of Laurentian Hills	In-service
C8544	Janet Road at Granzies Lake	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C6623	Black Donald Lake	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C8470	Highway 41 and Highway 71	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C8478	Trans Canada Highway and Brent Road	Township of Head, Clara and Maria	In-service
C8487	ON-60 and Cardinal Road	Township of Killaloe, Hagarthy and Richards	In-service
C6619	Halfway Lake	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C8265	Highway 41 and Greenlake Road	Township of North Algona Wilberforce	In-service
C6754	RioCan Renfrew Centre	Town of Renfrew	In-service

## Renfrew County New Tower Build Schedule

Tower Identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C8474	Trans Canada Highway at Orange Road	Town of Petawawa	2026
C8265	Colton Road and Quilty Road	Township of Adamston-Bromley	In-service
C8465	ON-60 and Haley Road	Township of Admaston-Bromley	In-service
C8625	Dunmore Road and Barr Line	Township of Admaston-Bromley	In-service
C8623	Opeongo Road West and Klondike Road	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C8704	O'Connor Road and Wolfe Road	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C8705	Boldt Road and Donegal Road	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C8511	Perrault	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C8622	Corrigan Road and Silver Lake	Township of Bonnechere Valley	In-service
C8497	Hardwood Lake	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	2026

## Renfrew County New Tower Build Schedule

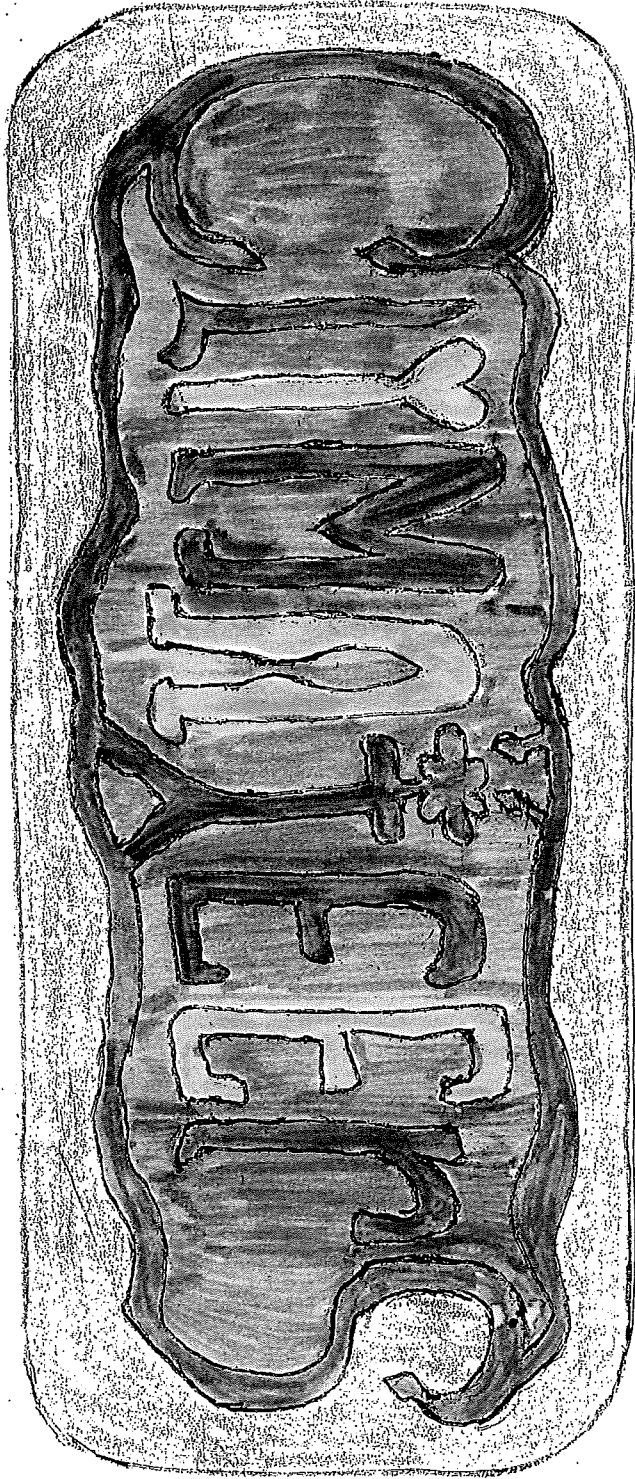
Tower identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C8533	Highway 28 and Little Ireland Road	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	2026
C8620	Letterkenny Road and Lost Nation Road	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	In-service
C8621	Heins Road and Quadeville Road	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	2026
C8702	Schutt Road and Wingle	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	2026
C8706	Quadeville Road and Murk Lake	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	2026
C8618	Oscar Boehme Road and River Bend Drive	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Raglan	2026
C8619	Rocheport	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Ragland	In-service
C8703	Gorman Lake	Township of Brudenell, Lyndoch and Ragland	In-service
C8713	Long Point Way and Inglis Road	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C8498	Highway 41 and Doorley Creek Road	Township of Greater Madawaska	2026

## Renfrew County New Tower Build Schedule

Tower identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C8668	Denzil Lane and Upper Spruce Hedge Road	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C8532	ON-41 and Dunagans Road	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C8711	Glenfield Road and Matawatchan Road	Township of Greater Madawaska	In-service
C8712	Holywell Road and Mt. St. Patrick Road	Township of Grater Madawaska	2026
C8501	Trans Canada Highway and Bissett Creek Road	Township of Head, Clara, Maria	2026
C8531	Trans Canada Highway 17 at Stonecliffe	Township of Head, Clara Maria	In-service
C8637	Jim Barr Road and Mullins Road	Township of Horton	In-service
C8627	Gunns Road and Round Lake Road	Township of Killaloe, Hagarthy and Richards	In-service
C8696	Simpson Pit Road and Round Lake Road	Township of Killaloe, Hagarthy and Richards	In-service
C6620	Doran and Round Lake Road	Township of Laurentian Valley	In-service
C8473	Forest Lea Road at Pembroke	Township of Laurentian Valley	In-service
C8628	Doran Road and Witt Road	Township of Laurentian Valley	In-service
C8616	Dafoe Road and Micks Road	Township of Madawaska Valley	2026

## Renfrew County New Tower Build Schedule

Tower identifier	Site name	Municipality	In-service plan
C8626	Etmanski Road and Paugh Lake Road	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C8707	Stanley Olsheski Road and Hasanville Lane	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C8615	Kubesheski Road and Siberia Road	Township of Madawaska Valley	In-service
C4086	Highway 17 and Glasgow Station	Township of McNab-Braeside	In-service
C8515	White Lake Road and Mountain View Road	Township of McNab-Braeside	In-service
C8636	River Road and Lochwinnoch Road	Township of McNab-Braeside	In-service
C8512	Deacon	Township of North Algona Wilberforce	In-service
C8624	Connaught Road and Bulger Road	Township of North Algona Wilberforce	In-service
C8635	Kerr Line and Magnesium Road	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service
C8630	Branch Trail and Nangor Trail	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service
C8631	Westmeath Road at Westmeath Provincial Park	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service
C8632	La Passe Road and Hawthorne Road	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service
C8633	Zion Line and Pappin Road	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service
C8634	Grants Settlement Road at Grants Settlement	Township of Whitewater Region	In-service



This **THANK YOU** comes from the Upper Ottawa Valley **Climate Matters!** Action Group, a project of volunteers in the **Kitchissippi-Ottawa Valley Chapter** of the national **Council of Canadians**. We have included our new pamphlet in this envelope. Contact us at: [kovclimatematters@gmail.com](mailto:kovclimatematters@gmail.com).

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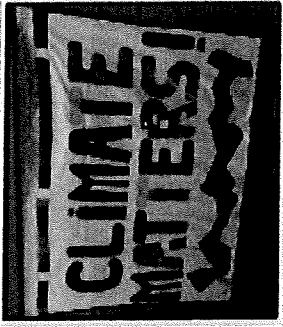
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Bob Moxley

Dear Mayor Mayville

This is just a short note to thank you and your council for supporting a moratorium on spraying glyphosate until a full impact study is done.



**Local:** Kudos to Renfrew County Council as it sets up its Climate Advisory Committee. Our group worked hard at raising awareness for this Upper Ottawa Valley climate action engagement initiative. Some local councils in the Valley have also been doing great work, and we are acknowledging this with thank-you cards. NOW it's up to you, and me, and our family and neighbours, to carry the ball, encouraging our local politicians to keep at the work. WE ALL HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY IN DOING ALL THAT WE EACH PERSONALLY CAN!

**Individual actions can make a big difference** for the planet. When many people make small, **mindful** choices every day, the **collective** impact creates **meaningful progress** towards slowing climate change and preserving a **healthy planet and environment** for future generations.

*See the inside of this pamphlet for suggestions of what you and yours can do.*



**How Can I Get More Involved?**

- Support politicians who champion environmental sustainability initiatives
- Join an environmental activism group like us – the Kitchissippi Ottawa Valley Chapter of the Council of Canadians. Contact us at 506-521-0465 or email us! [kitchissippiottawacocchapter@gmail.com](mailto:kitchissippiottawacocchapter@gmail.com)



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# Think Globally, Act Locally

How you can help the climate!

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# Think Globally, Act Locally ♥

Our global climate needs us all!

**Global:** at their yearly “COP” conference, nations, scientists, and activists gather to analyze climate trends, and try to make agreements, set goals, and review progress, while oil-producing countries and multinational industry “experts” undermine their efforts! This article brings the global home – search the title online: “*Muskoka on the global stage: Why COP30 matters*.”

**Federal:** PM Mark Carney has been a global-stage climate action warrior since 2014! It’s early days under his leadership but sharp-eyed environmental/climate organizations are giving him very mixed reviews. Is a specific federal climate action an urgent matter for you? The PM needs to hear from grassroots people. Tell him: [mark.carney@parl.gc.ca](mailto:mark.carney@parl.gc.ca) – and copy his environment/climate minister Julie Dubrasin and us: [julie.dubrasin@parl.gc.ca](mailto:julie.dubrasin@parl.gc.ca) and [kovclimatematters@gmail.com](mailto:kovclimatematters@gmail.com)

**Provincial:** The Doug Ford Ontario Government could be doing so much to promote climate change mitigation and to build our resiliency for the escalating impacts. Instead, since 2018, the province has methodically undermined renewably-sourced electrification and generation and passed other equally depressing policies. We suggest emailing him your views, and please send a copy to our local MPP and to us: [Premier@ontario.ca](mailto:Premier@ontario.ca); [billy.denault@pc.ola.org](mailto:billy.denault@pc.ola.org); [kovclimatematters@gmail.com](mailto:kovclimatematters@gmail.com)

What Can I Do? Start with a few of these suggestions and incorporate more as you can!

## The Basics

- Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Compost, Eliminate food waste, Go paperless
- Drive less – Walk, bike, use public transit (as able)
- Staycation/Fly less – Explore local and support small businesses!
- Budget for environmentally friendly lifestyle or household upgrades as you are able. Such as:
  - Replacing ageing heating/cooling systems with clean energy (heat pump)
  - Upgrade the insulation in your home (reduces heating/cooling energy costs)
  - Consider Electric Vehicle (EV) options
- Use your local library and its library of things. Be sure to inquire about inventory and availability

## Household / Electronics

- Unplug appliances/turn off lights when not in use
  - Shop using your own reusable bags and containers
  - Make use of container refilling programs to decrease plastic waste, at stores such as:
    - Bulk Barn, Valley Refillery, rECo Refillery & Zero Waste Lifestyle, The Granary Bulk & Natural Foods
  - Don't rake (all) your leaves as they provide natural fertilizer and increase biodiversity.<sup>6</sup>
  - Plant native species that attract pollinators (flowers, shrubs, etc.)
  - Reduce home heating when not in use or use a smart thermostat
  - Protect water: quicker showers, low baths, less hair washing, use a dish pan, don't water your lawn
  - Repair instead of buying new
  - Limit use of personal AI like ChatGPT, Gemini – AI is HUGELY demanding of water and energy resources
- Did you know?*
- Repairing instead of replacing prevents the need for new products to be made, preventing the creation of 80-95% of greenhouse gas emissions.<sup>2</sup>
  - Global data center energy consumption is expected to double by the end of 2026.<sup>5</sup>
  - A medium-sized data center uses ~1.13 million litres of water a day – roughly equal to the daily usage of 5,000 Canadians.<sup>7</sup>

## Food Consumption

- Support local farmers and farmers markets
  - Reduce consumption of animal products (foods including meat, dairy, eggs) – try Meatless Mondays or Challenge22
  - Eat more whole foods including fruits, vegetables, beans & legumes, whole grains, nuts & seeds, herbs & spices
  - Swap cream/milk for plant-based alternatives
- Did you know?*
- 1.5 acres can produce ~37,000 lbs of plant-based food vs. only ~375 lbs of beef.<sup>1</sup>
  - The average water footprint per calorie of beef is 20 times larger than for cereals and starchy roots (like potatoes).<sup>4</sup>
  - Canada's food waste is equivalent to 25.7 million tonnes of CO2 annually.<sup>2</sup>
  - Factory farming is the leading cause of deforestation, species extinction, ocean dead zones, water pollution, and habitat destruction.<sup>3</sup>
  - Factory farming is responsible for 20-33% of all freshwater consumption globally.<sup>4</sup>
  - 1000 gallons of water is required to produce 1 gallon of cow's milk.<sup>5</sup>

## Clothing Consumption

- Check local thrift shops or participate in clothing swaps before buying new.
  - Reduce or eliminate the consumption of fast fashion (ex. Shein, Zara, H&M, Dynamite, Joe Fresh, etc.)
  - Stick with the basics instead of fast-changing or micro trends
  - Re-wear items of clothing instead of purchasing new. Reduce laundry by re-wearing clothing 3+ times before washing.
- Did you know?*
- It's estimated that more than half of fast fashion produced is disposed of in under a year.<sup>2</sup>
  - It takes 2,700 litres of water to make one new t-shirt.<sup>2</sup>
- On average, Canadians:
- Wear only 50% of their clothes while the rest sits unused in our closets.<sup>2</sup>
  - Purchase 70 new articles of clothing a year.<sup>2</sup>
  - Throw out nearly 500 million kilograms (~1 billion pounds) of clothing and home textiles every year.<sup>2</sup>



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## Medical Officer of Health Report to the Board

January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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### HEALTH PROTECTION

#### ***Immunization***

##### *Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA):*

In December and early January 3809 notices were sent to students who were not up to date with vaccines required under ISPA. These students have until February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to update their immunization status and send the information to RCDHU. As of January 16<sup>th</sup>, over 20% of students who received a notice had updated their vaccines and/or records as required under ISPA.

Immunizations can be accessed by booking an appointment with a health care provider, by attending a RCDHU high school clinic, or by booking an appointment at RCDHU's catch up clinics. Clinics are offered at various locations across Renfrew County and District. Appointments can be booked online via the online booking system or by calling the Immunization Intake Line. As of January 9<sup>th</sup>, RCDHU has hosted 5 out of 11 planned ISPA high school clinics, which will continue this month. It is important to note that immunizations administered through Health Care Providers must be reported by parents to RCDHU through the online Immunization Connect Ontario tool (ICON) or via email, mail, or fax.

##### *Grade 7 School-Based Immunization Clinics:*

The first round of Grade 7 school immunization clinics for Hepatitis B (HB), Meningococcal, and human papilloma virus (HPV) was completed on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025. A total of 39 school-based clinics were hosted across RCD with approximately 1100 students being eligible for immunizations. In total, 753 doses of HPV vaccine, 707 doses of HB vaccine, and 834 doses of Meningococcal vaccine were administered at these school-based clinics. Students may also choose to be vaccinated through their healthcare provider or by booking an appointment at an RCDHU routine immunization clinic. The second round of grade 7 school immunization clinics will start in the spring of 2026.

##### *COVID-19 and Influenza Vaccination:*

Compared to the 2024/25 season, RCDHU has administered 10% more doses of COVID-19 and 43% more doses of influenza vaccine this 2025/26 season. As of January 14<sup>th</sup>, RCDHU had administered 3796 doses of COVID-19 vaccine and 3633 doses of influenza vaccine through community-based clinics and mobile vaccination services to retirement homes and congregate care settings. RCDHU has also dispensed a total of 16 505 doses of influenza vaccine and 1932 doses of COVID-19 vaccine to health care partners across Renfrew County and District (RCD).

Pharmacies continue to be an active channel for the public to receive both COVID-19 and

influenza vaccine. As of January 14<sup>th</sup>, pharmacies in RCD had administered approximately 8300 doses of COVID-19 vaccine. So far this season, approximately 28% of COVID-19 doses administered in RCD have been through RCDHU, with about 60% administered by pharmacies and 12% by other partners.

Fall 2025/26 COVID-19 vaccination coverage among older adults aged 65+ in RCD is 36%, which is higher compared to the rate in Ontario (32%). By the end of the 2024/25 season, local coverage in this age group reached 41%.

#### *Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Adult Vaccination:*

Between October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, and January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026, RCDHU administered 1144 doses of Adult RSV vaccine through community-based clinics and mobile vaccination services to retirement homes and congregate care settings. This is more than double the doses of Adult RSV vaccine administered by RCDHU at this time last season, which is largely due to expanded eligibility criteria. Vaccine is also available through health care providers, for which RCDHU has dispensed 3550.

#### *Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Infant and High-Risk Children:*

Between October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, and January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026, 202 doses of the passive immunization agent for infants, nirsevimab (also known as Beyfortus®) were administered to eligible infants and high-risk children by RCDHU and delivering hospitals. Coverage among newborns in RCD born October-December 2025 is approximately 70%. Additionally, RCDHU dispensed 382 doses to primary care physicians and continues to offer appointment-based community immunization clinics for eligible infants.

### **Safe Water – Private Drinking Water Testing**

In partnership with Public Health Ontario, RCDHU promotes a private well water testing service for residents of RCD to monitor for E. coli and total coliform bacteria in their drinking water supply. This service is especially valuable during times of flooding and drought. Private citizens collect their own samples using water bottles supplied by RCDHU and return filled samples to 5 designated locations across RCD (Barry's Bay, Laurentian Hills, McNab Braeside, Renfrew, and Pembroke). In 2025, a total of 4273 samples were processed at the laboratory. 3147 (74%) samples did not contain E. coli or total coliform bacteria. The RCDHU website offers many resources to assist clients with understanding water results and describes methods to remediate and maintain safe drinking water. Public health inspectors at RCDHU are also available to address drinking water concerns or questions.

### **Smoke-Free Ontario Act – Tobacco and Vape Retailer Enforcement**

Renfrew County and District Health Unit enforces the Smoke-Free Ontario Act (SFOA), 2017 in workplaces, public places, schools, health care facilities, tobacco and vapour retailers, specialty vape stores, and other designated places. Public health inspectors conduct routine inspections, investigate complaints, and conduct youth access compliance checks. Tobacco and vape retailers are prohibited from selling and supplying tobacco and vapour products to anyone under 19 years old. RCDHU has completed a series of vape retailer and specialty vape store enforcement checks with youth test shoppers to determine compliance with sales to minors. A total of 60 vape retailers were inspected for sales to minors, along with 5 specialty vape stores. Six sales were committed (5 vape retailers and 1 specialty vape store). Follow-up enforcement checks with those

operators who attempted sales to individuals under the age of 19 are planned for 2026.

### ***Infection Prevention and Control – Outbreak Management***

RCDHU actively monitors infectious disease incidence in the community and in our institutions. All congregate care living and health care facilities are required to inform RCDHU of enteric disease outbreaks. In 2025, there were 14 institutional enteric outbreaks with three confirmed as norovirus to be the causative agent. For comparison, there were 9 confirmed institutional enteric outbreaks in 2024, and 5 confirmed outbreaks in 2023. So far, there have been 2 institutional enteric outbreaks in 2026. Public health inspectors work with our institutions to advise, inspect, and educate staff on best practices for preventing and controlling enteric outbreaks.

### ***Infectious Diseases***

Respiratory outbreak activity was low to moderate throughout November, steadily progressing to very high in the last 2 weeks of December. There was a total of 4 respiratory outbreaks in November versus 18 outbreaks in the month of December, with over 70% occurring in the second half of the month. Influenza A was the primary pathogen identified, with COVID-19 and unknown pathogens constituting the remaining percentage. The incidence rate of RSV was very low, with 1 outbreak throughout November and December.

Community cases of influenza were very high, with over 90 new cases for weeks 51 and 52, and 74 cases in week 53. The current seasonal influenza total is 307 cases. The likely peak for influenza activity occurred from December 14<sup>th</sup> to December 27<sup>th</sup>, and activity is beginning to slow. The first case of Influenza B was reported in the week of December 14<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>.

Hospital bed occupancy for respiratory illness remains very high since the second week of December. Respiratory-related emergency department visits remain very high, making up between 15% and 18% of total visits throughout the month of December.

## **HEALTH PROMOTION**

### ***Outreach Team and SPRITE Testing***

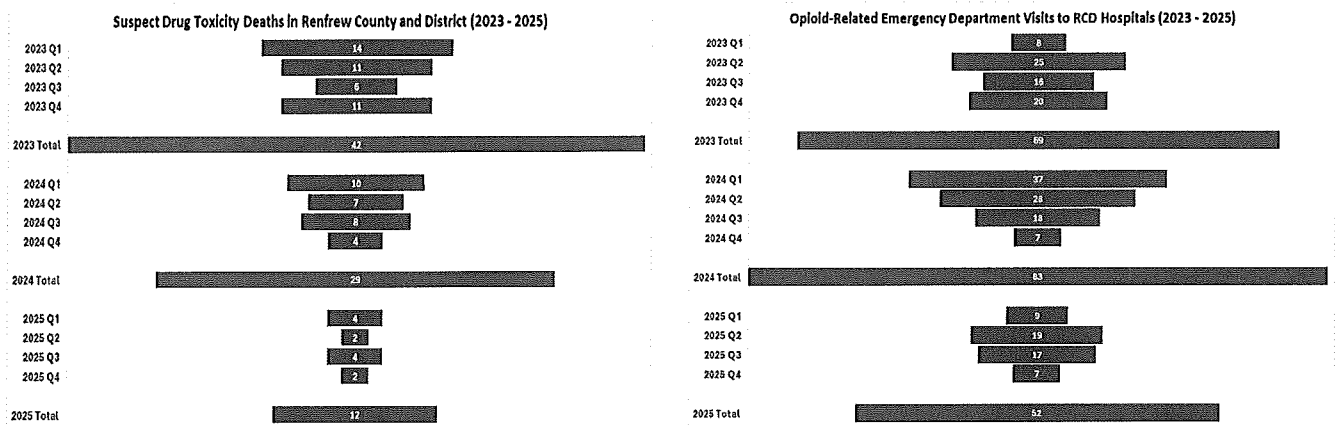
The Outreach Team continues to bring RCDHU services to clients across RCD and forge partnerships with community agencies. In 2025, the Outreach Team added three new community partners and now visits all food banks in RCD. Over the course of 2025, the Outreach Team completed 102 visits to 25 different locations across the county. During those visits, 522 naloxone kits were distributed, and 331 people were trained in their use. The team continues to provide harm reduction and sexual health supplies, offer sexual health testing, and connect clients to other RCDHU services or community partners where needed.

SPRITE testing continues to be offered at suitable Outreach Team events and at RCDHU's Pembroke office. As of January 14<sup>th</sup>, a total of 219 tests for syphilis, HIV, and hepatitis C have been completed under this program, with 102 of those tests being completed at Outreach locations. Individuals that tested positive have been successfully referred for follow-up and treatment. These clients tested are at high risk for acquiring sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections and do not have a family doctor or the means to seek out testing on their own.

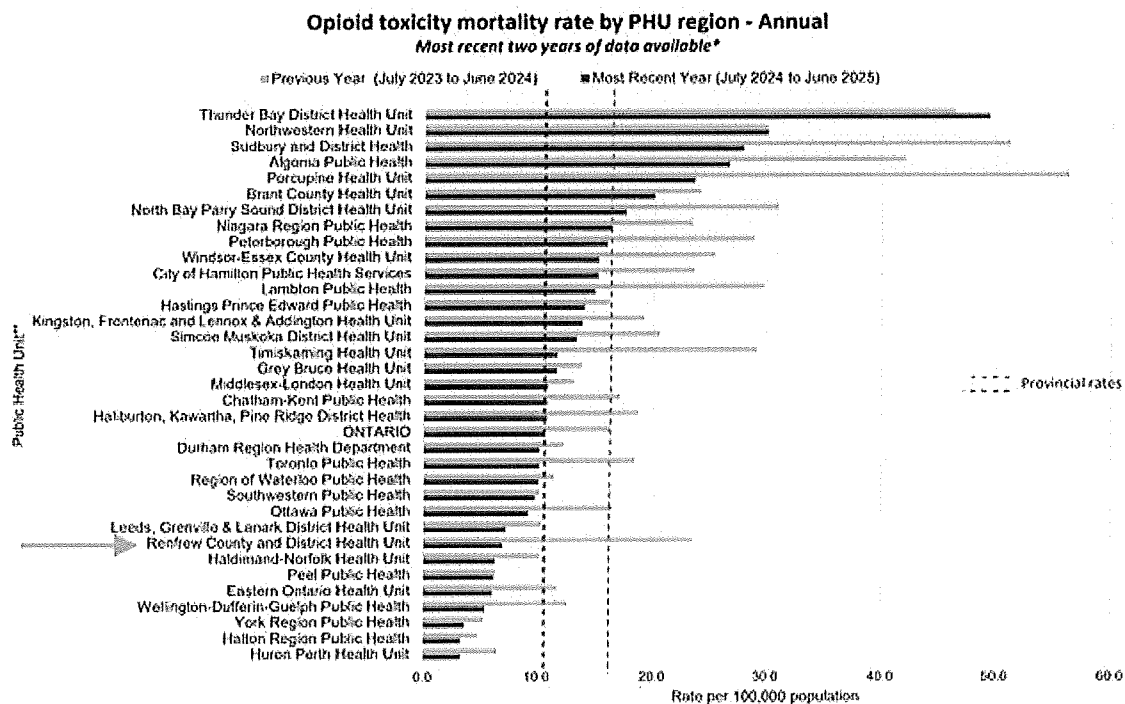
## Renfrew County and District Drug Strategy

With the beginning of 2026, it's important to recognize the tremendous efforts of all organizations, their staff, and clients in implementing many of the priorities of the Renfrew County and District Drug Strategy (RCDDS) in 2025.

The opioid crisis remains a complex public health issue, driven by the combination of several factors, including highly toxic synthetic opioids, socioeconomic impacts, and mental health challenges. Last year, RCD experienced a significant decrease in two key opioid-related metrics: deaths and emergency department visits. When compared to 2024, as of December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, suspect drug toxicity deaths and opioid-related emergency department visits declined by 59% and 37% respectively.



Most Ontario Public Health Unit regions experienced a decline in their opioid toxicity mortality rate when comparing the most recent provincial data for the periods of July 2023 to June 2024, and July 2024 to June 2025; however, RCD's reduction in mortality rate was among the largest in the province.



While the dedicated, collaborative efforts of RCDDS partners have had a strong, positive impact on drug-related harms across our communities, ongoing vigilance is required. On January 15<sup>th</sup>, an overdose alert was issued. The alert was informed by both reporting from a community partner and the Office of the Chief Coroner for Ontario. Preliminary data for January 2026 (to date) indicates a significant increase in drug toxicity related deaths relative to last year's monthly average of 1 death per month. The specific substances involved in the deaths are unknown at this time and we continue to monitor the situation closely.

### ***Nutrition – You're the Chef***

You're the Chef (YTC) is a hands-on food literacy and cooking program for students in grades 5 to 8 that builds practical food skills, confidence with cooking, and connections to the Ontario curriculum. During the 2025–2026 school year, interest in YTC has increased significantly, with 19 schools expressing interest in the program. This includes 26 new teachers, in addition to two teachers who delivered YTC last year. To date, two YTC workshops have been completed and three new training sessions have been delivered, with additional training and program delivery anticipated as the school year continues.

This level of engagement represents substantial growth compared to the previous school year, when three training sessions were delivered across four schools and three schools implemented the program. Increased interest may reflect greater awareness of YTC among schools and educators. Feedback from teachers who have implemented YTC has been consistently positive, reinforcing both the demand for this programming and its alignment with public health priorities related to healthy eating, skill development, and long-term health outcomes for children and youth across RCD.

### ***CATCH My Breath***

RCDHU's Substance Use Health Team participated in a research project evaluating the CATCH My Breath curriculum for preventing vaping among Ontario high school students. The study, approved by Ontario Tech University's Research Ethics Board and the Renfrew County and District School Board, involved:

- Parent consent forms and three short online surveys for students (before, 3 months after, and 12 months after the program), covering demographics and vaping attitudes/behaviors.
- Delivery of two 60-minute lessons by trained Public Health staff, focusing on vape components, health risks, social norms, and strategies to resist peer pressure.
- Participation from 3 schools (Barry's Bay – 2 classes, Deep River – 2 classes, and Opeongo – 1 class, ~28 students each) during November and December.
- The trained health unit staff also had to complete post-delivery questionnaires within 2 days of program delivery.

### ***Bump to Baby – Online Prenatal Education Program***

RCDHU offers a free online prenatal program called Bump to Baby, in partnership with Southeast Public Health. This program can be completed at the client's own pace and gives the flexibility to learn when it's the most convenient. Information covered in Bump to Baby includes:

- Pregnancy
- Labour and delivery
- Feeding your baby

- Caring for your baby and keeping them safe
- Parenting
- Helpful services in Renfrew County and District

In addition to the information provided in the program, clients are offered a phone call for additional support from a Public Health Nurse. Clients register through our website by completing the Bump to Baby Online Prenatal Program Registration Form.

The program is promoted through social media (Facebook and X), as well as a promotional poster with a QR code available for printing and distribution.

Since RCDHU began offering the program in June 2025, 88 pregnant individuals have registered for the program.

### ***Ontario Seniors Dental Care Program (OSDCP)***

The OSDCP provides services to seniors (65+) who have a net family income below \$25 000 for a single senior, and \$41 500 for a couple. Seniors (65+) who are enrolled in the OSDCP can access services through RCDHU's dental clinic locations in Pembroke and Barry's Bay, or through our service level agreement providers throughout RCD. RCDHU dental clinics include regular hygiene visits, as well as dental services for routine checkups, emergencies, restorative care, or extractions.

In 2025, RCDHU administered 727 dental services appointments and 544 hygiene services appointments between the Barry's Bay and Pembroke clinic locations. RCDHU also coordinated denturist services for 70 seniors to receive either complete or partial dentures, depending on their individual needs.

As of July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 977 residents in RCD have received dental services through the OSDCP since the beginning of the program.

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Hi again from Re-Nature!

We are very pleased to let you know that we will be expanding our outdoor classroom project to include the schools in the Renfrew County Catholic District School Board. For Killaloe, Hagarty & Richards, that will be St. Andrew's!

For this new phase, our funder, the FCM, requires us to get Resolutions of Support from each municipality where a school tree planting will take place.

The Council has already kindly passed a similar Resolution of Support on September 2nd, 2025 to support the Public School Board's project last summer. This new request will be the same format.

I would be very happy to arrange for a new presentation to the Town Council, but I could simply provide the complete text of a similar Resolution of Support for the Catholic School Board project.

Please let me know your preference.

Just to remind, we are NOT asking for the Municipal Council to provide any funding at all. This is a request for funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, who require a Resolution from each Municipality in the project area.

Happy to discuss and proceed as you prefer! I can chat any time on 289-680-0518, or on this email address.

Our deadline is early March for a Municipal Council Resolution of Support.

Thanks for the time, and most of all, thanks for your support of the project!

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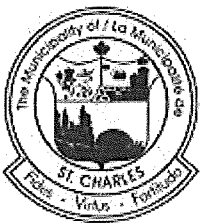
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Good Morning

At its Regular Meeting of Council on January 21, 2026, Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles passed Resolution 2026-009 regarding Nation Building Improvements to Highways 11/17 (2+1 & Four-Lane Options).

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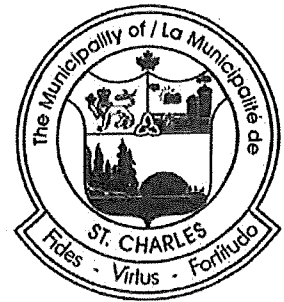


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The Corporation of the Municipality of St. Charles  
RESOLUTION PAGE



Regular Meeting of Council

**Agenda Number:** 4.4.1.  
**Resolution Number** 2026-009  
**Title:** Nation Building Improvements to Highways 11 / 17 (2+1 & Four-Lane Options)  
**Date:** January 21, 2026

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**Moved by:** Councillor Laframboise  
**Seconded by:** Councillor Loftus

**WHEREAS** Canada's east-west trade and national mobility rely on the Trans-Canada Highway system, including Highways 17 and 11 across Northern and Eastern Ontario, which carry significant freight volumes but remain predominantly two-lane corridors;

**AND WHEREAS** four-laning the entirety of Highway 17 is the ultimate goal of the communities along the corridor;

**AND WHEREAS** the proven "2+1" highway design - alternating passing lanes with a continuous median barrier - delivers safety outcomes comparable to full twinning at substantially lower cost, land, and environmental impact, and can be scaled or converted to four lanes (2+2) as volumes grow;

**AND WHEREAS** the Government of Ontario has announced a 2+1 pilot between North Bay and Temagami and a further extension toward Cochrane, creating a near-term implementation pathway;

**AND WHEREAS** modernizing Highways 17 and 11 will improve safety, reduce closures, strengthen supply-chain reliability for mining, forestry, agriculture, tourism and manufacturing, and enhance national resilience and emergency response capacity;

**AND WHEREAS** a phased 2+1 build - prioritizing Highway 11 (North Bay --+ Cochrane, then Cochrane --+ Nipigon) and key sections of Highway 17 (western border of County of Renfrew--+ Sudbury; Sault Ste. Marie--+ Sudbury; Thunder Bay--+ Kenora) - aligns with nation-building criteria, supports economic reconciliation with Indigenous partners, and enables integrated EV charging and low-carbon construction practices;

**AND WHEREAS** analysis summarized by the Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities, (FONOM) demonstrates high freight demand on these routes and strong safety / economic rationale for a 2+1 program;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT** the Council for the Corporation of the Municipality of St.-Charles formally endorses the adoption and phased implementation of a 2+1 highway program on Highways 17 and 11 as a nation-building project;

**AND BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Government of Canada be urged to designate this initiative as a project of national interest under the Building Canada Act and to partner with Ontario to co-fund and accelerate planning, design, procurement, and construction;

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** the Government of Ontario be urged to expand the announced pilot to a corridor-wide program, sequencing works according to readiness, safety benefit and economic importance;

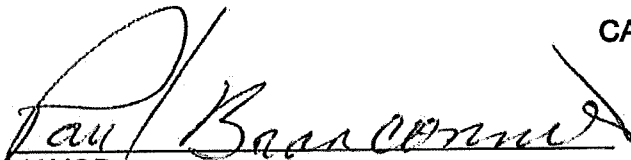
**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Government of Ontario prioritize these projects into the Ministry of Transportation's Major Projects Division;**

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT both governments ensure early, ongoing, and capacity-supported engagement with affected Indigenous Nations, with opportunities for Indigenous training, contracting, and equity participation;**

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the program incorporate corridor-wide safety features (barrier-separated 2+1 cross-sections, controlled passing frequency, wildlife considerations), resilience measures (closure mitigation, climate adaptation), and clean-growth elements (EV charging readiness, recycled aggregates, lower-carbon materials);**

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this Resolution be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada, the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Transport (Canada), the Minister of Infrastructure (Canada), the Ontario Minister of Transportation, our local MP and MPP, Federation of Northern Ontario Municipalities (FONOM), Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association (NOMA), Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA), Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus (EOWC) for support, and the County of Renfrew for information.**

**CARRIED**

  
MAYOR