

Dear Fellow Lake Resident

June, 2010

Your Lake Organization needs your input now more than ever.

The Lake Kashagawigamog Organization (LKO) is undertaking a Lake Planning process on your behalf. Our mission is to promote and maintain a healthy lake environment to ensure long-term quality for cottagers and residents alike.

What is a lake plan? It is a long term strategic document that will help set priorities and recommend actions which impact the lake. Most importantly it will help define:

- 1) What we as residents want Kashagawigamog to look like in the next 10 to 50 years.
- 2) What we as residents value most about the Lake and what we feel is worth preserving.
- 3) How we as residents can ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy what the lake offers today.

A Lake Plan is a major undertaking which starts with you as a resident. We have attached a survey that will help the committee determine the priorities of the residents. Please take the time to complete it and add your input.

Along with the survey results, we will involve as much of the community as possible (public, private business, government) through meetings, workshops and discussion groups to address specifics of the plan. We will be looking to you for further input at that time. Results will then be compiled into a living Lake Plan document. It will act as a guide for this and future generations to ensure that activities on our lake will preserve the things we value most. A Lake Plan has no legislative power but provides a very strong lobby tool. Local governments look to Lake Plans in developing zoning by laws and in rulings where exceptions are sought for existing bylaws.

There is a lot of information around this topic which would take many pages to summarize. Please refer to www.lakeplan.com and www.lko.on.ca ("Lake Plan" tab) for more information. If you have questions, please email them to lkowebmaster@rogers.com.

We cannot over emphasize the importance of your input into this Plan. Please take the time and complete the survey by no later than July 31, 2010. Our goal is 100% participation. Please help us achieve our goal by making sure your neighbours complete the survey as well.

Thank you very much.

Lake Kashagawigamog Lake Plan Steering Committee

Lake Kashagawigamog Lake Plan Survey

1) Profile:

Location

- lake front
- near lake
- commercial
- other

Residency

- seasonal
- Permanent
- interval ownership
- renter
- vacant

Primary Access

- Public road
- Private road
- Water

Municipality

- Dysart et al
- Minden Hills

2) Personal Enjoyment:

How do you value the following items on a scale of 1 to 5, 1 being **most important** to 5 being **insignificant**?

	1	2	3	4	5
	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
SAMPLE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Swimming, water skiing, wake boarding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boating, sailing, canoeing etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fishing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hunting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Natural shorelines & landscapes	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hiking on trails & through the woods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walking on the local roads	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Snowmobiling on trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Wildlife & bird viewing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Night skies	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Peace & tranquility	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3) Changes to the Shoreline:

How would you rate the changes to the lake shoreline over the last five years using a scale of 1 to 4, 1 being **More Evident**, 2 being the **Same**, 3 being **Less Evident**, and 4 indicating **Don't Know**

	1	2	3	4
	↓	↓	↓	↓
SAMPLE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lawns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residential development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Forest cover	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Docks and boat houses etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shoreline rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reduction of wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Removal of trees/vegetation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4) Lake Water Quality:

Your evaluation of the lake water quality is Excellent, Good, Poor, No opinion

Your concerns regarding quality are Bacteria, Algae, Smell, Clarity,
 Slippery growth on rocks, Other _____

5) Current Issues/Concerns:

Using a scale of 1 to 4, rate the **negative impact** the following have had on the enjoyment of your property over the past five years. **1** being **Significant**, **2** **Moderate**, **3** **Somewhat**, and **4** **No Impact**. Also, indicate for each item whether or not you believe these factors will negatively impact your enjoyment in the **Next Five Years**, **Yes** or **No**.

	1 ↓	2 ↓	3 ↓	4 ↓	Yes/No ↓
SAMPLE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> y/n
1. Water pollution	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
2. Water levels	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
3. Weeds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
4. Invasive species	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
5. Boat traffic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
6. Boating practices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
7. Personal water craft	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
8. Poor fishing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
9. Snowmobiles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
10. All terrain vehicles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
11. Daytime noise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
12. Nighttime noise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
13. Outdoor Lighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
14. Pedestrian Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
15. Development (scale, massing)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n
16. Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> y/n

6) Water levels:

Please check any problems that you have experienced due to fluctuating water levels

- None Ice damage to shoreline
 Navigation problems Shortened boating season
 Other (please explain) _____

7) Municipal Issues:

The Haliburton County Official Plan along with the municipal Operating Plans provide the basis for both establishing new and updating existing municipal by-laws that control local development. Lake Plans that are supported by the majority of residents can have an impact on the terms of these by-laws. With this in mind, would you please provide your views on the following.

- Existing zoning limits the total width of all **shoreline structures** to 30% of lot width to a maximum of 20 meters with a side lot clearance of 6 meters.

Do you agree with this maximum 20 meter limit? Yes No Don't know

If no, do you agree with a maximum percentage of 25% 30% 35% Don't Know

- Existing zoning limits **lake residence setbacks** from the shoreline (not docks and boathouses) of 30 meters for new buildings and structures.

Do you agree with this 30 meter setback limit? Yes Should be ___m Don't know

- The establishment of **mandatory shoreline buffer strips** of natural on-shore vegetation are being contemplated.

Do you agree with mandatory buffer strips? Yes No Don't know

The depth (in meters) of buffer strips from the water should be 5, 10, 15, Don't know

- Do you support the **regulation of shoreline alterations** (i.e. restrict the removal of native trees or vegetation) within the buffer zone by a by-law enforcement officer? Yes No Don't know

- Would you support a **municipal septic inspection** plan for all existing septic systems? Yes, No

8) Focus of Future Actions:

Do you think these possible future actions need to be addressed? Using a scale of 1-4, 1 being **Strongly in Favour** of immediate action, 2 being **Somewhat in Favour** since it addresses an anticipated concern in the next five years, 3 being **Nice to Have** but it does not address an anticipated serious concern, to 4 indicating **No Opinion**.

	1	2	3	4
	↓	↓	↓	↓
Improve water quality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protect/improve shoreline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Promote shoreline rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Actively discourage lawns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Develop/enforce quietness & privacy by-laws	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enforce safe boating laws	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Protect/improve fish/wildlife habitat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reduce impact of outdoor lighting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Identify & preserve wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other (please explain) _____

Personal Information:

Name: _____

911 Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: Haliburton _____ Alternative _____

LKO Member: Yes, NO (application forms available at www.lko.on.ca)

Would you like to participate in assembling the lake plan? Area of interest _____

Specific area of interest 1) shoreline analysis, 2) survey compilation (via Excel)
 3) wildlife analysis, 4) municipal relationship (by-laws etc.)

Would you be prepared to support priority actions arising from this survey

-- with a financial contribution say \$20 to \$100? yes no maybe
-- by volunteering to assist in these actions? yes no maybe

Thank you for your participation!

Submit your application to **Lake Kashagawigamog Organization**
P.O. Box 878
Haliburton, ON K0M 1S0

or drop off your survey at Bryson's Marine,

or scan your form and email to lkowebmaster@rogers.com

Privacy Statement:

- This survey is not anonymous. **The resulting Lake Plan will be recognized ONLY IF we can ensure property owners participated in the survey.** Thus it is important that your name and signature appear on the questionnaire.
- Prior to the tabulation of any details from your survey, this page will be removed and retained separately to assure confidentiality.
- The reporting will only include statistical data from survey responses, no personal comments can or will be attributed to individuals.
- **Individual responses will only be used by the Lake Planning Steering Committee to develop overall survey highlights and action plans.**

Reporting Survey Results and Lake Plan Progress:

The Lake Plan Steering Committee will strive to report survey results and progress on the Lake Plan in the 2010 LKO Fall Newsletter