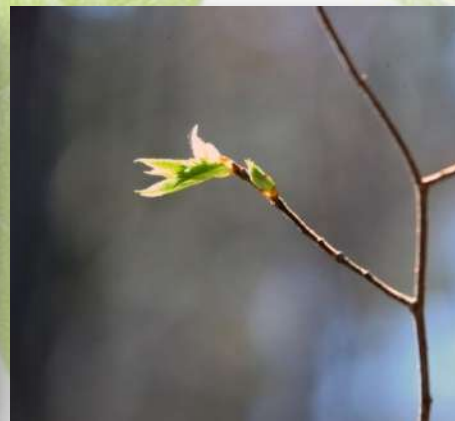


# Forests Ontario Program Updates

Wade Knight, Field Advisor  
Forests Ontario



# 50 Million Tree Program

- The goal of the 50 Million Tree Program is plant 50 million trees across Ontario by 2025.
- Funding is available to help reduce the cost of larger scale tree planting.
- 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary– to date over 24 million trees have been planted on about 4,000 properties.





# 50 Million Tree Program

## Landowner Eligibility

- Minimum: 1 hectare (2.5 acres) or windbreaks of 1,500 trees;
- Eligible land – non-forested & productive land;
- Landowner agrees to protect the trees for 15 years; and
- Landowner assumes some of the costs of the tree planting.



# 50 Million Tree Program

Forests Ontario delivers the program through our local partners:

- Rideau Valley Conservation Authority
- South Nation Conservation
- Dentrex Field Services (J. Bols)
- Ontario Resource Management Group
- Raisin Region CA
- Cataraqui Region CA
- Sustainable Resources (J. McCann)





# It Takes a Forest Initiative

Public engagement initiative.

The goal is to provide the public with fact-based information on Ontario's forest sector & the role of our forests as one of the province's most sustainable resources.

Social media campaign...

Twitter @ittakesaforest

Website <https://ittakesaforest.ca/>

Facebook [www.facebook.com/ittakesaforest/](http://www.facebook.com/ittakesaforest/)



Wood products help fight climate change.

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Wood builds 30,000 Ontario homes each year.

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Forestry supports 180,000 jobs across Ontario.

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# Ontario Tree Marker Program

The Ontario Tree Marker Training teaches the proper use of the silvicultural systems used in Ontario. I.e., 'cut & leave' decisions for individual trees based on their: growth, health & product potential; ability to provide seed; & wildlife benefits.

E-learning modules are available online to serve as a primer to meet the learning objectives of the marking course.



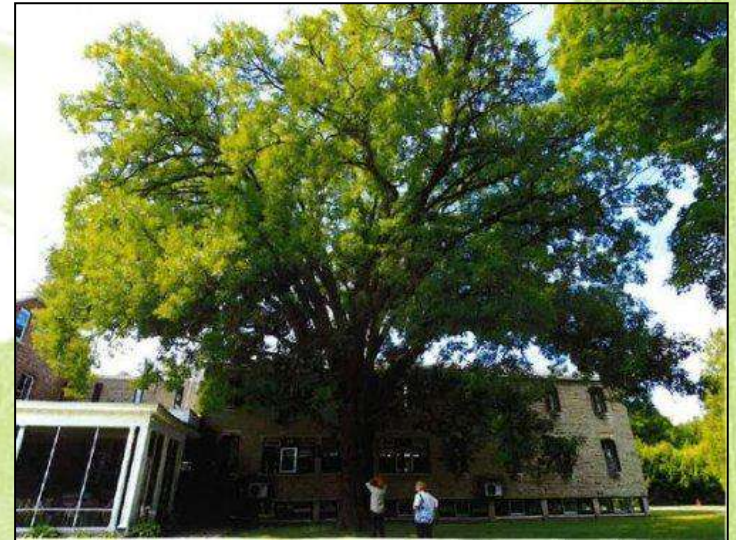


# Heritage Tree Program

## What is a Heritage Tree?

Recognition is based on a trees' historical, cultural or social significance as well as consideration given for distinctness in size, form, age and rarity.

Heritage Trees have to be associated with a historic person or event, or may be growing on land that is historically significant.



158 yr. old oak planted by the Prince of Wales, eldest son of Queen Victoria (Arnprior, ON)







For more information on  
Forests Ontario programs...

Call toll free: 866-646-1193

Website: [www.forestsontario.ca](http://www.forestsontario.ca)

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# EOMF Update Winter Woodlot Conference 2018

Astrid Nielsen, General Manager  
Eastern Ontario Model Forest



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# Program Highlights

- 🌲 Forest Certification Program
- 🌲 Community Forest Carbon offset program
- 🌲 Regional Forest Health Network
- 🌲 Education and Outreach (events and publications)



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# Forest Certification Program

- 🌲 First certified in 2003 (2,400 ha – 18 forest owners).
- 🌲 Today 82,000+ ha of private forests are certified including
  - 🌲 14 community forests
  - 🌲 2 forest owner groups with 109 private forest owners
  - 🌲 2 commercial forest owners
  - 🌲 3 independent forest managers
  - 🌲 5 maple syrup producers









# Community Forest Carbon Offset Program

- 🌲 Partnership EOMF and Bluesource Canada to develop offsets for Improved Forest Management (IFM) Projects on Community Forests
- 🌲 Bluesource has been a project developer of carbon projects for over 20 years and specializes in IFM projects
- 🌲 New opportunities for Community Forests
  - 🌲 Extra revenues
  - 🌲 Ensure forest cover remains over long-term
  - 🌲 Funds back into IFM





# Regional Forest Health Network

- 🌲 Network to share information on forest health issues in E. Ontario
- 🌲 Bi-annual meetings to exchange knowledge
- 🌲 Training on specific health issues such as Woolly adelgid, EAB, etc.



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# Education and Outreach

- 🌲 Annual Christmas Seminar
- 🌲 Annual Woodlot Conferences: 2018 theme is “The Wonders of the Forest” on Feb 21
- 🌲 Annual General Meeting - spring
- 🌲 Advocating for and about good forest management
- 🌲 Promoting forestry careers to students
- 🌲 Press releases, newsletters (sign up for email distribution)
- 🌲 Special projects, Forestry Documentary





# Forestry Documentary: Trees, Youth, our Future

- 🌲 2-part documentary on evolution of forest stewardship: yesterday, today and tomorrow
- 🌲 Partnership with Pinegrove Productions
- 🌲 Complete end of Feb: showings in spring
- 🌲 150 Ontario Grant through Partnership Program
- 🌲 13 Additional Project Funders
- 🌲 Many partners and volunteers
- 🌲 Visit EOMF booth for video clip



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# Sign up for EOMF news and events

🌲 [anielsen@eomf.on.ca](mailto:anielsen@eomf.on.ca)



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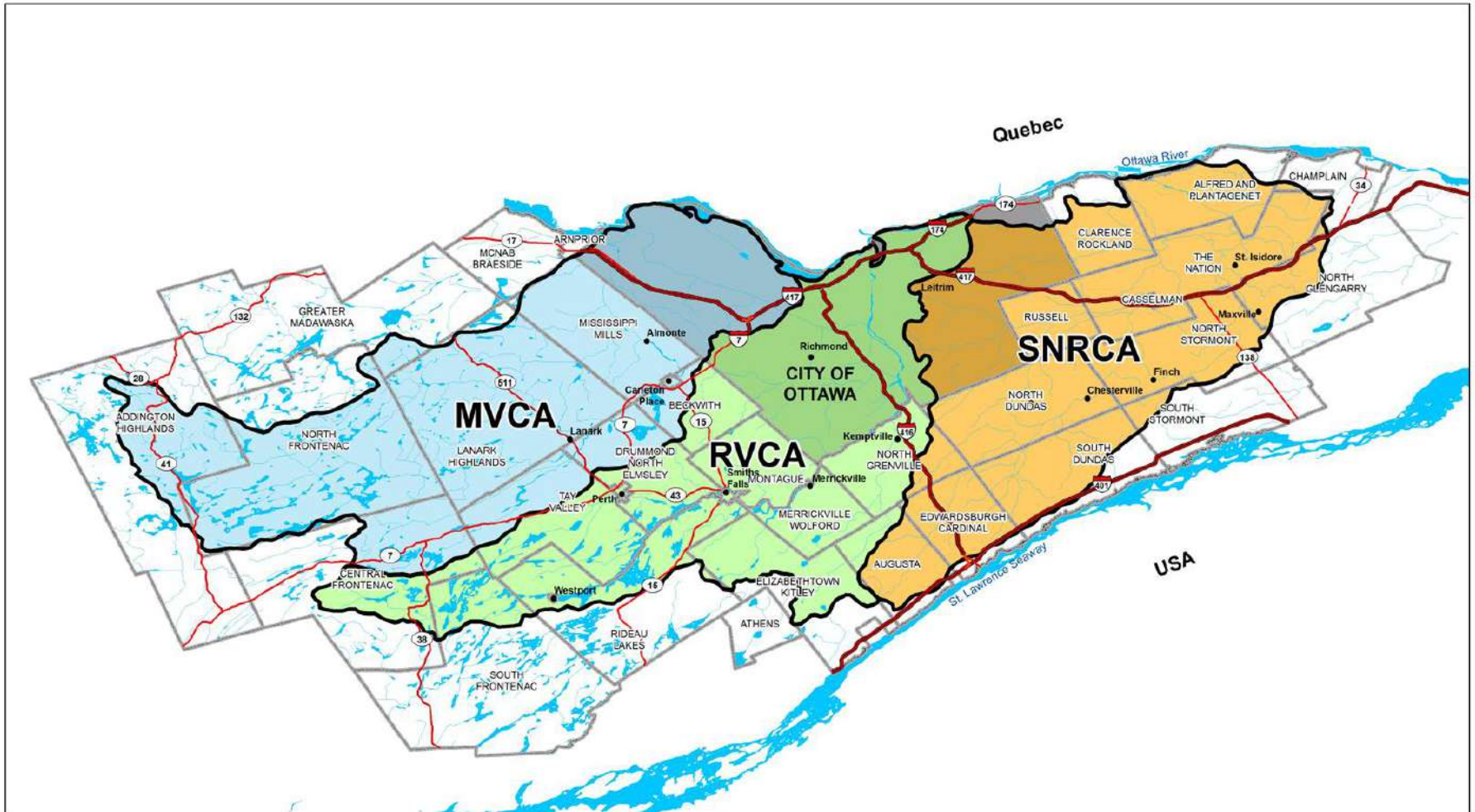




# **Conservation Authority Update**



# Eastern Ontario Conservation Authorities



Eastern Ontario Conservation Authorities



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# Partnerships in Action: Tree Planting



Band spray and scribe  
Hand tree planting site

- Provide significant funding to landowners to meet tree planting objectives.
- Provides full-service planting operations (site prep, planting, tending)
- Typical costs for landowners is \$0.15/tree (equals \$120/acre)



Do you own at least 4 hectares of forested land within the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry or Prescott and Russell?

- Free site visits
- \$500 grants available for the completion of Forest Management Plans (MFTIP)

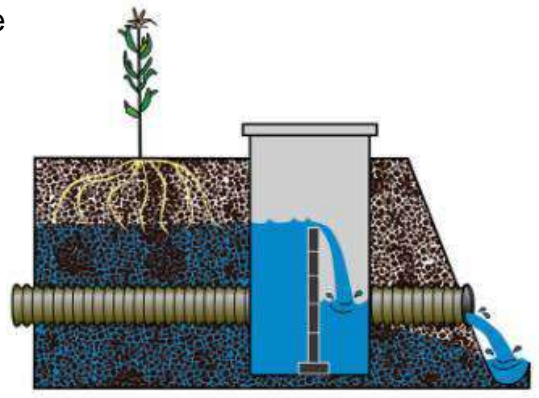




# Ottawa and Rural Clean Water Program



Controlled tile drainage



- Cost-share grants from \$1,000-\$8,000 for projects that directly improve/impact water quality
- Buffers, well decommissioning, fuel storage and handling, controlled tile drainage and much more..

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