



Community Perspectives

*Community Action
for
Rockcliffe Airbase Development
(CARAD)*

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Presentation

1. What do we know?
2. Why be concerned?
3. Seeking solutions...

What do we know?



Site Area = 310 ac (126 ha)





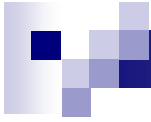
Near Centre of Ottawa





Escarpment



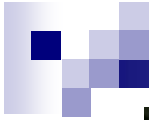


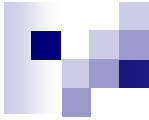




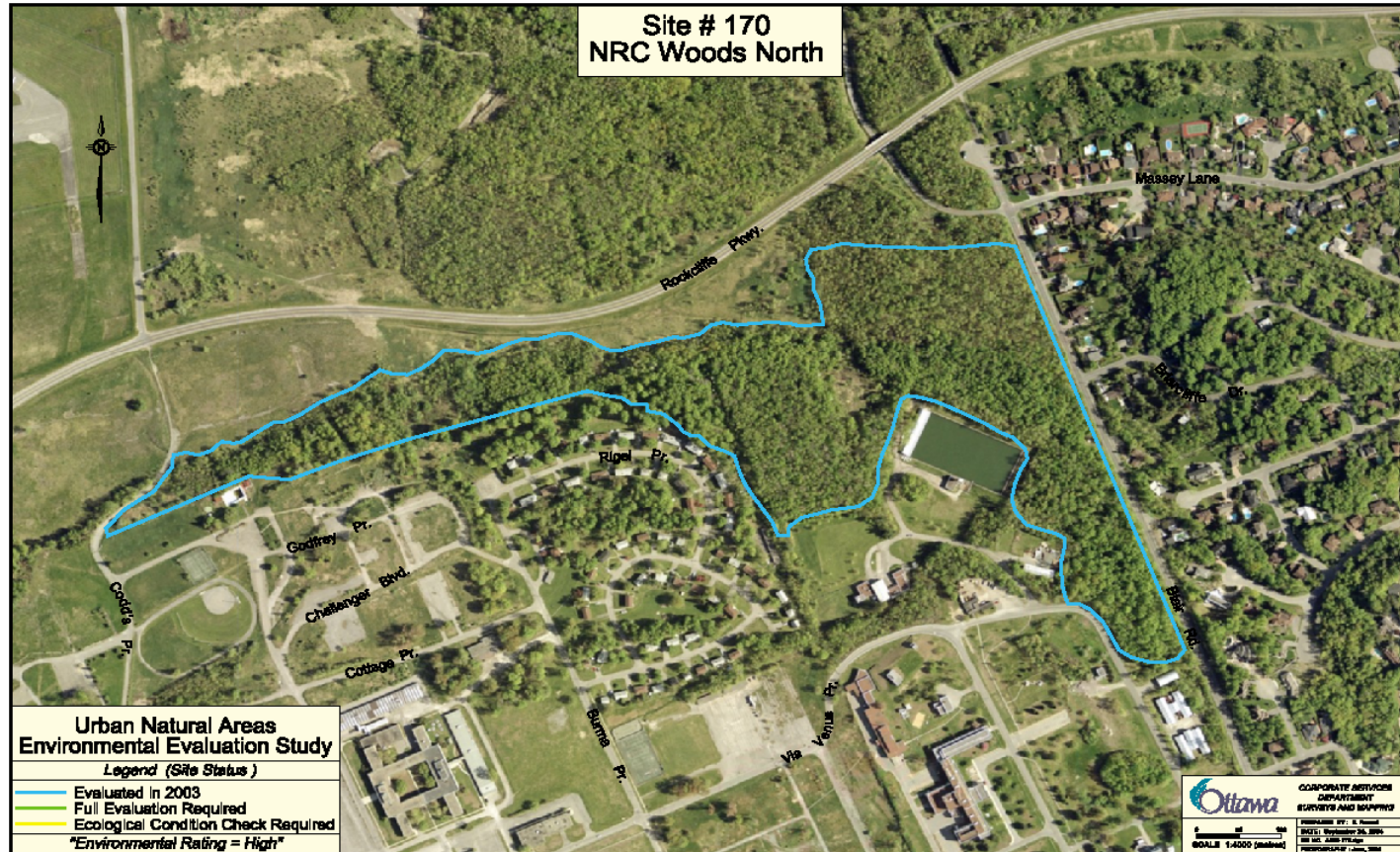




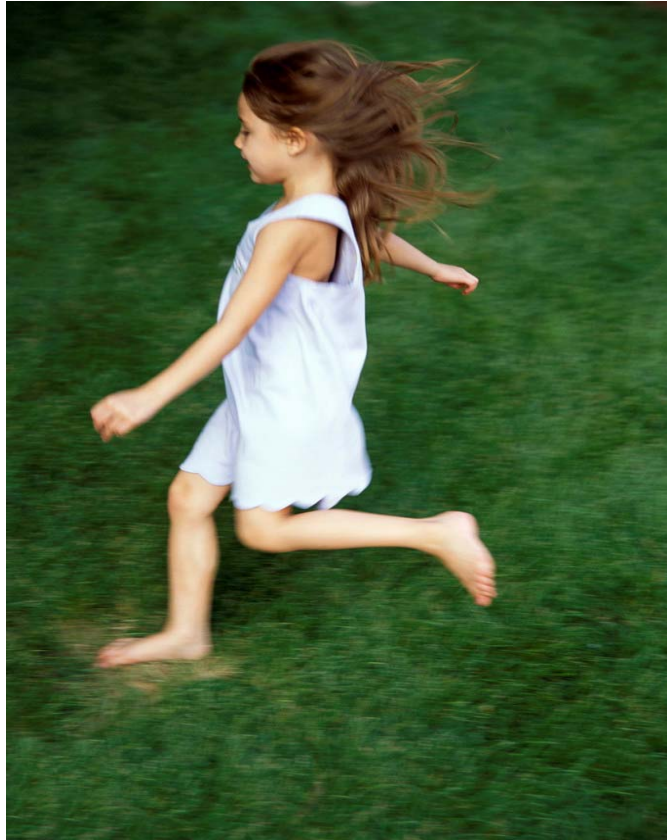
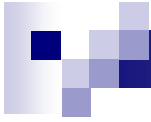




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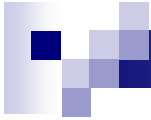








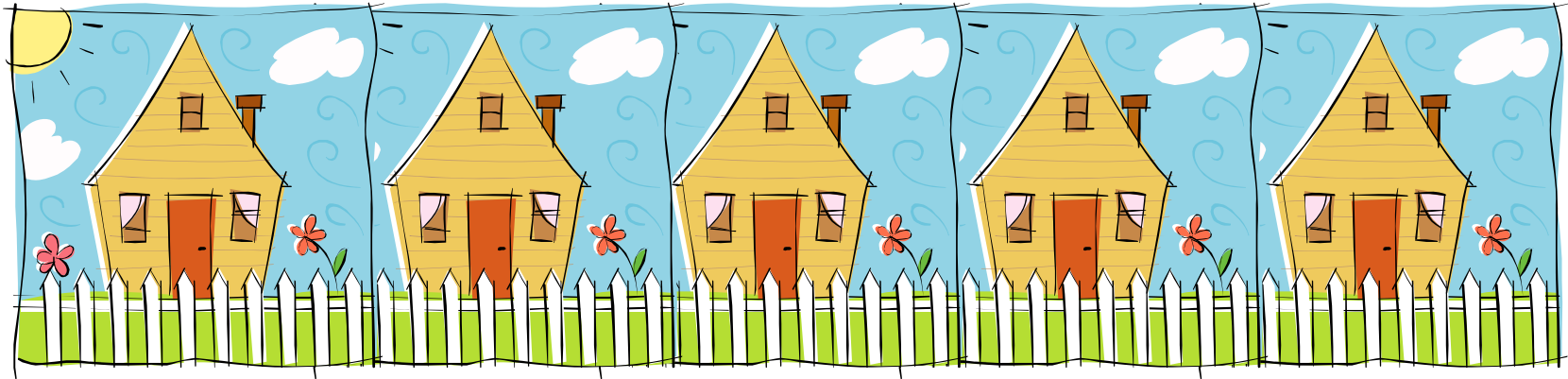






600 married quarters on site.

In 1943 - 1401 officers, air staff, and civilians



Land purchased for \$27 million



4,500 – 6,000 homes



10,000 – 15,000 residents



Why should we be concerned?







Top 3 Concerns

- 1. LAND
- 2. NEIGHBOURHOOD
- 3. TRAFFIC



Potential Negative Impacts

- Damage to escarpment
- Loss of green space, trees, species
- Cookie-cutter development
- Sterile public places
- Traffic nightmares
- Neighbourhood character threatened



Consider...

Who will profit?

Who will feel the impacts?

Seeking Solutions...





Seeking Solutions... #1

- Protect escarpment, trees, areas with environmental value
- Maximize natural greenspace, and link green areas
- Pedestrian / cyclist friendly



Seeking Solutions...#2

- Diversity of housing and uses
- Community is accessible – to physically challenged, mixed incomes...
- Public facilities built first



Seeking Solutions...#3

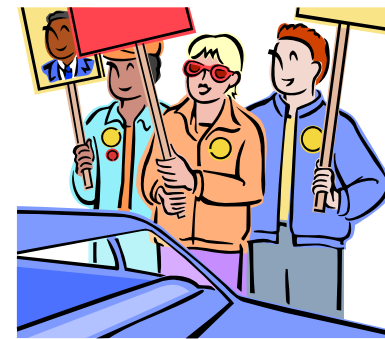
- Public spaces and services anchoring town centre
- Design to encourage use of public spaces
- Varied recreational / cultural opportunities on site




Seeking Solutions...#4

- Varied employment attracted to site (e.g. Science City)
- Transit-centered design AND improved public transit
- Impacts on neighbourhoods determined with communities, and effects minimized

What can you do?



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- Ask questions
 - Discuss ideas
 - Demand on-site employment opportunities
 - Challenge decision-makers to manage impacts



Join our Community Group –

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