

Decision Note
Port Burwell Provincial Park
Management Plan Minor Amendment

1. *What is the issue?*

We are changing a free day use area by adding a group camping area to the site and reducing the size of the existing day use area. The proposal would involve the construction of a water line, access road, two group campsites and a vault privy.

2. *Will the proposal have a positive or negative impact upon the environment (air, land, water, plant life and or ecological systems)?*

No. The area is completely grassed over and there is no environmental disturbance.

3. *Were existing park inventories or checksheets considered in the site planning process (i.e., there will not be any disturbance of any known archaeological sites or rare, threatened or endangered species)? Was a site check completed by a knowledgeable person?*

A site check was conducted by Henry Valks, Park Superintendent. The roads were built over what were existing campgrounds.

4. *How will the project contribute to, or support the park's goal and objectives?*

The park had no group camping area and there was a demand for it. It also was in the current park business plan.

5. *Is a zoning amendment required or is the site in the existing Development Zone?*

The site is in the existing Development Zone, however, the specific project was not addressed in the approved park management plan.

6. *Are there any impacts on adjacent landowners or any impact on park*

No.

7. Will the project result insignificant public reaction at a local, regional or provincial scale?

No.

8. Is the proposed project supported by park users survey results, comment cards, etc?

Yes, supported by user comments. We have had good use of the area considering the fact that it was not advertised or marketed in any way this season.

9. If required, have Environmental Assessment and Environmental Bill of Rights requirements been met?

The Director, Environmental Assessment Branch, and the appropriate Regional Director of the Ministry of Environment were notified of the proposed capital development 45 days in advance of the undertaking. Site development plans were prepared and available to the public 45 days in advance of the undertaking. There were no EBR requirements as this is a proposed "minor" amendment to the park management plan.

10. Was any consultation or notification undertaken for review and comment?

- circulated proposed amendment to other relevant MNR services;
- proposed amendment discussed with any affected external parties (e.g., adjacent landowners, local municipalities, etc.) to achieve a consensus;
- a public notice posted on site;
- a local media advisory distributed to local newspapers;
- site plans made available for public inspection; or
- other (please specify) _____.

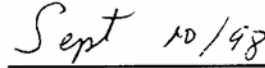
11. Will the proposed amendment to the approved park management plan permit changes which do not alter the overall intent of the plan (i.e., changes which are consistent with the park's classification, goal and objectives but differ from the parks management policy statements)?

It will not effect the overall intent of the plan.

Prepared by:



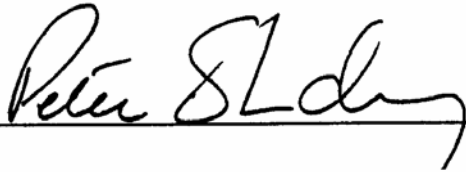
Henry Valks, Park Superintendent
Port Burwell Provincial Park



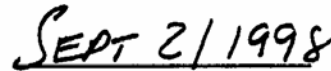
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Approval Statement

*A minor amendment to the **Port Burwell Provincial Park Management Plan** (1989) is approved to permit the capital development of a group campground, to be situated in the existing Development Zone of the park (refer to attached map).*








Peter Sturdy, Zone Manager
Southwestern Zone, Ontario Parks



Date

ZONING

-  Park Boundary
-  Natural Environment Zone
-  Development Zone
-  Parking
-  Proposed Group Camping Area

