The Freshwater Connection

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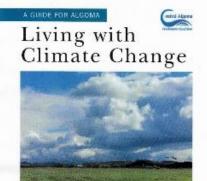
Sustain Algoma



"Thank You"

to all who made the Sustain Algoma Expo a success - It was nice to get back to meeting people in person following a hiatus due to the pandemic. CAFC had 3 new publications at the Expo - an Explore Local Map - and booklets on Sustainable Living and Adapting to Climate Change in Algoma - the publications are online at our website under the the resources/ reports tab. www.centralalgomafreshwatercoalition.ca





Living With Climate Change

6000 copies of <u>Living with Climate Change</u> booklets were printed in April 2022 and bulk mailed to mailboxes in Central Algoma.

Booklets are also available online under the resources / reports tabs – www.centralalgomafreshwatercoalition.ca

Learn More about predictions for future local climate at:

 $www.climateatlas.ca/data/grid/424/plus30_2030_85/line$

Tree Seedlings Planting Continues

"Thank You" to everyone who contributed to making tree planting in Central Algoma a priority. CAFC was again able to give away to private land owners 500 tree seedlings to plant on their property. Sustain Algoma was held in July this year – so the treeseedlings were made available in bulk (10 or more) on a first come first served basis. Over 2000 seedlings have been planted. Tree seedlings have



generously been donated by the Forest Conservation students and staff at Sault College.

Lake Huron North (LHN)

Lake Huron North (LHN) is a new network of organizations who strive to improve water quality through collaboration and communitybased stewardship. They work together in a coordinated effort with local community groups, individual volunteers, landowners, and the public service, to protect and improve overall water quality and habitats in and around the St. Marys River and West North Channel of Lake Huron.

The goals of LHN are to maximize the efficacy of individual organizations and communities, to increase local capacities to respond to threats in the Lake Huron basin, and to provide information related to stewardship efforts. Although actions are local, we consider our global responsibilities as stewards of some of the greatest freshwater bodies in the world.

"The creation of LHN will mean more stable and predictable funding for CAFC projects from year to year making it easier to plan projects."



The current co-operating organizations are

Freshwater Coalition



Peace Park -Thessalon

CAFC Participates - Lake Huron North Project - Town of Thessal; on - Riparian Planting



Photo provided by Lake Huron North



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Planting Red Maple Trees - Municipal Public Properties

"The invasive species, Emerald Ash Borer, has had a major impact on local ash forests along coastal wetlands including many municipal park beaches."





"Very Hot Days (Over +30C) are expected to increase in the future with climate change. People in the future will be looking for local parks with shade"

Through Lake Huron North - CAFC acquired 10 – 8 foot tall Red Maple- to plant in municipal parks. Trees were provided to to the Municipalities of St Joseph, Hilton, Laird and Tarbutt in 2022 We hope this project will be extended for a few more years to provide even more public shade.

This was an adaptive response to both invasive species and climate change and will provide shade to future park visitors.

Many municipal properties including beach parks experienced tree loss to Emerald Ash Borer – such as Big Point Park in Hilton Township, Centennial Park in Laird Township and Jack's Island Beach in Bruce Mines.

Tress were also provided to two new parks in Tarbutt Township.



Laird Centennial Park - Laird Township

Township Staff - Hilton Township



Become a Member



Your annual membership fee will provide a base budget for work of CAFC and demonstrate the commitment of local partners working towards a common goal. A strong diverse group is an essential component in meeting the goals of the Central Algoma Region. Support us at https://www.centralalgomafreshwatercoalition.ca/

Photo - Jack's Island Beach Bruce Mines

