



# 2020 Year in Review

## COVID 19 Response and Budget Snapshot

- 12** Policies created to address evolving health and safety requirements
- 100** Employees deployed remotely in **48** hours in March
- 7** Virtual recruitments, **2** executive-level positions

### Budget Revenues

- 38%** Revenue generated by Authority
- 32%** Special capital levy & Municipal partners
- 19%** General Levy
- 7%** Provincial & federal transfer payments & grants
- 3%** Board approved reserve draws
- 1%** Other revenue

### Budget Expenditures

- 25%** Governance & corporate services
- 24%** Ecological management
- 20%** Water risk management
- 18%** Planning & development services
- 7%** Watershed studies & strategies
- 4%** Greenspace services
- 3%** Education & engagement

## Keeping on Track

- 67%** Increase in enforcement complaints received
- 6%** Increase in regulations applications received
- 2,577** Regulations general inquiries received
- 848** Permits issued

## Raising \$ for a Reason

- Roughin' it for a Reason - Fundraiser for the new Nature Centre at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area
- 35** Campers participated
- \$40,876** Raised

## Guiding Development Decisions

- 544** Planning Applications received
- 30** Additional Technical Reviews completed
- 326** Pre-Consultation Applications received
- 18** Environmental Compliance Approvals reviewed
- 27%** Increase in technical groundwater reviews completed
- 26%** Increase in reviews completed by Natural Heritage Ecologists
- 39%** Increase in engineering reviews

## Nature Heals

- 269,000** Visitors to **10** of our most popular properties
- 42%** Increase in visitors to the same properties

## The Outdoor Classroom

- 60** Participants in 2, 4-week online professional development courses for educators
- 1,000** Followers for new "Outdoor Learning" Facebook group in 3 months
- 2,900** Students in-person and **850** students virtually

## Keeping People Safe

- 100%** of the Lake Simcoe shoreline was updated with Emergency Management System (EMS) inundation mapping to support emergency response
- 100%** of the distance along the East and West Holland Rivers was updated as well
- 12** Watershed flood messages issued

## Maintaining Green Infrastructure

- Trained operators to inspect, assess and maintain Low Impact Development features and stormwater ponds
- Developed a new working group with **5** municipalities
- 40** attendees at stormwater pond inspection and maintenance training workshop

## Science Speaks

- 82** Stations using **25+** parameters, providing real-time water monitoring data
- 135** Contaminants researched, for the 2020 Contaminants Report, using **4139** data points

## Mapping it Out

- 1st** time LSRCA-owned spatial data available through open-data portal
- 80+** GIS datasets, including natural heritage features

## Helping Heal Nature

- 125** Landowner site visits
- 56** Projects completed
- \$4.6** Million total cost
- 577** kilograms of phosphorus reduction
- 505** Hectares of cover crops installed and **2** kilometres of buffer planted

## Luck Conservation Area

- 3** Wetlands, **3** habitat mounds, and a grassland created to restore **2** hectares into wildlife friendly habitat

## Cawthra Mulock Nature Reserve

- 14,075** Trees + shrubs planted across **6** acres using **24** native species
- 5** Hectares of wetland restored through **550** live stakes, native seed mix, basking logs, brush piles and standing snags

## Community Engagement

- 34%** Increase in Facebook following; **31%** increase in Instagram followers
- 86%** More visitors to our website; **56%** increase in webpage views
- 10K** Residents reached through **64** email campaigns, **7000** through direct mail **128%** More news releases, generating **62%** earned media coverage