

## **FURTHER TO AUTHORITY MEETING #4/08**

To be held Friday, May 23, 2008

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**FURTHER TO:**

**DISCUSSION OF ITEM 7.2 - MANAGEMENT OF DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANTS AT TOMMY THOMPSON PARK IS SCHEDULED FOR 11:00 A.M., BEGINNING WITH PRESENTATION 5.2 BY GORD MACPHERSON. DELEGATIONS TO FOLLOW THE PRESENTATION.**

### **4. DELEGATIONS**

#### **NEW DELEGATIONS - ITEMS 4.2 - 4.12**

- 4.2** A delegation by Julie Woodyer, Cormorants Defenders International, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.3** A delegation by Maureen Flynn, Richmond Hill, speaking in regard to Correspondence 6.10 and item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.4** A delegation by Paul Scott, Member, Aquatic Park Sailing Club, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.5** A delegation by Susan Krajnc, Toronto, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.6** A delegation by Simon Luisi, Toronto, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.7** A delegation by Ainslie Willock, Canadians for Snow Geese, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.8** A delegation by Harvey Rotenberg, Toronto, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.9** A delegation by N. Sivarama, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.10** A delegation by Vickie Janetos, Member, Wildlife Rehab Network, speaking in regard to Correspondence 6.12 and item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.
- 4.11** A delegation by Rob Laidlaw, CBiol, MIBiol, Director, Zoocheck Canada Inc., speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.

- 4.12** A delegation by Doug Christie, Carson Gross Christie Knudsen, speaking in regard to item 7.2 - Management of Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.

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## CORRESPONDENCE 6.9

Carol Bigwood <>

05/14/2008 07:58 AM

To  
kstranks@trca.on.ca  
cc  
Subject

Brian Denney  
Chair and Chief Administrative Officer  
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority  
5 Shoreham Drive  
Downsview, Ontario M3N 1S4

Dear Mr. Denney,

I am requesting that the Executive Board of the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority delay any decision on egg oiling until the details of the project are made public. Why are you making such an important decision without the community knowing ?

As a resident of Toronto island I have watched these birds over the past decades. What harm are they doing? Fishermen can't safely eat the fish in this lake. You shouldn't think you can control nature in this way. Cormorants are beautiful birds. They have nested on the same trees for decades. I want to participate in any decision to lethally control nesting cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park.

Sincerely,  
Dr. C. Bigwood  
Toronto, Ont.

## CORRESPONDENCE 6.10

May 16, 2008

Mr. Brian Denney  
Chair and Chief Administrative Officer  
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority  
5 Shoreham Drive  
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Dear Mr. Denney:

I am writing to express my deep concern about the plans of the T.R.C.A. to initiate a "research" experiment by oiling the eggs of some of the Double-crested Cormorants nesting at Tommy Thompson Park.

The public meeting that was held on April 3rd with regard to this issue gave the message to the Authority, loud, clear, and unequivocally, that the oiling, harassment, establishment of decoys, or any other human interference on the Peninsulas A, B, and C were both unacceptable and inhumane throughout the months of their presence on the peninsulas. There was strong consensus on this at the public meeting.

On Peninsula D, moving the bird banding station to the end of the peninsula, the presence of people along its edge through NARROW paths which would not disrupt migratory bird visitation by inviting in cowbirds, and the planting of vegetation not conducive to cormorant use was recommended. There were many other suggestions, as well, humanely and creatively offered, to celebrate the birds on Peninsulas A, B, and C, while discouraging their movement to Peninsula D. These should be what T.R.C.A. acts on. This would be democracy at work.

Cormorants are OUR NATIVE MIGRATORY BIRDS, and deserve to be left alone to nest and thrive throughout the summer in preparation for their hazardous fall migration. I trust you are aware that they are harassed and shot during the migrations through the U.S., and that they are being harassed and shot in other locations in Ontario. How can Toronto as a bird-friendly city consider actions against our native birds?

With your extensive knowledge of natural processes, I'm sure you are aware that, often, in nature, what seems to be an ending is really just a new beginning. When the egg of a butterfly hatches, and then, after a short life, the pupa begins to spin its cocoon, it would appear that the pupa is spinning its death bed. Instead, a transformation occurs, and the result is very much a rebirth. Cormorants are similar agents of change. Their guano, so appreciated by nurseries, fertilizes the soil so significantly that new and more lush species of vegetation will be able to grow. And, clearly, cormorants do not remain in one location forever. They move on to new locations, once again beginning the process of renewal.

I sat at the edge of Peninsula D last week, after reading then U.N. report which painted a bleak picture of worldwide bird survival statistics, and watched the beautiful black and brown birds sitting on their nests, taking a small sliver of dead grass to their nest, flying calmly and cooperatively among the geese, ducks, songbirds, gulls, swans, herons and egrets. They were beautiful in line and colour against the beautiful blue sky, and so, also, were the leafless trees which held their future. Why did no tours demonstrate this on International Migratory Bird Day, as was recommended at the public meeting?

You are no doubt aware that Tommy Thompson Park came into being, not naturally, but through the restorative capacity of nature. One needs only look at the invasive species in our Great Lakes to know what human interference does.

I submit that there are not too many cormorants. There are too many people who want to control the natural processes of every segment of land for their own purposes, regardless of the inhumanity of their actions or the long-term damage they will do. Although it is evident that nature always balances its ecosystems effectively over time, and people do not, the T.R.C.A. does not appear to trust it to do so.

Cormorants have an important and long-term enhance role in ecosystem development, and they are currently serving as aids in our invasive fish specie concerns. There are definitely too many invasive species of fish, which, as you are no doubt aware, form the basis of the cormorant diet. Instead of controlling their numbers through inhumane human intervention, we should be grateful for their contribution to the man-made imbalance already damaging the Great Lakes system, and willing to teach our citizens that in nature, there are no “bad animals”; that all animals play an important part in ecosystem change and development, and that the cormorants play an important and natural part in these processes. Tours which point to their beauty within their natural habitat would also be an important, and currently undeveloped teaching tool.

The public will not be fooled by the “limited oiling” and use of the word “research” in the T.R.C.A. plans to oil and water the eggs of a group of unlucky, selected cormorants this year. They will view it as a breach of the trust that the public forum provided. They will view T.R.C.A. as untrustworthy, and rightfully so, if it chooses to act to disturb the nests or birds throughout their time in Tommy Thompson Park.

It is abundantly clear to many, I suspect, that this will serve as a catalyst to a much more aggressive plan next year, and in the years to come. As you know, this kind of action is unsuccessful in accomplishing anything unless it is repeated year after year. So the plan will be to repeat this trauma and miscarriage of justice on our migratory birds indefinitely. I don't want one tax dollar of mine to go to this horrific plan.

I have learned that the T.R.C.A. has much experience with the practice of oiling eggs. There is no need whatsoever for research on egg oiling.

T.R.C.A. has an opportunity, here, to model appropriate, humane acceptance of wilderness and its dwellers by allowing nature to do what only it can do: balance its ecosystem without interference. It has an opportunity, as well, to follow true democracy, and honour the wishes of the majority of its Advisory Committee and of the public as evidenced in the public meeting. And it has, as well, the opportunity to use this as a teaching tool to celebrate the natural

processes of change, and the beauty of all those who participate in the natural flows and changes of ecosystems.

Double-crested Cormorants are our migratory birds. They are a beautiful part of the natural ecosystem of the Great Lakes. Leave them alone!!

Sincerely,

Maureen Flynn, B. A., B. Ed., M. Ed.

## CORRESPONDENCE 6.11

May 16, 2008

ATTN:  
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Chair and Chief Administrative Officer  
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority  
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Downsview, Ontario M3N 1S4

(c/o Kathy Stranks, Manager TRCA)  
[kstranks@trca.on.ca](mailto:kstranks@trca.on.ca)

Dear Mr. Denney,

RE: EGG OILING OF NESTING CORMORANTS - TORONTO

It appears that the TRCA, along with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, and Parks Canada intend to proceed in actively killing nesting cormorants throughout the birds' migration route.

We object to this project at Tommy Thompson Park which we understand will occur on peninsula A, an area of the Leslie Spit under the jurisdiction of the McGuinty government and managed by the TRCA.

Without first revealing the methodology, rationale and validity of this egg oiling project, how can the whole project be properly reviewed and its merits assessed by all concerned?

Despite the public opposition, and your own advisers rejection of such control measures being taken against nesting cormorants at the Leslie Spit, the TRCA and Ministry of Natural Resources seem determined to achieve this objective, anyway.

Therefore, we respectfully request that the Executive Board of the TRCA delay any further decisions on this Egg Oiling of Nesting Cormorants in Toronto until all details of this project are made public and democratically voted upon.

As conservationists and longtime residents of Toronto, we care deeply about this issue and wish to participate fully in any controls being taken against the nesting cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park, particularly since Mayor Miller has promised to make all political issues transparent, and was elected to office based on that promise to its citizens.

Although we were unable to attend the last Executive meeting in April with respect to this unresolved issue, we would like to know all relevant details of the next meeting, which we expect to be advertised and open to the general public.

Thank you for both your consideration and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

D. Turner

and

L. Mauro

## CORRESPONDENCE 6.12

Jean Iron <>  
05/19/2008 10:21 AM

To kstranks@trca.on.ca  
cc mayor\_miller@toronto.ca  
Subject Cormorant Cull by TRCA

Dear Kathy Stranks,

We are opposed to the cull of cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park because it is ecologically unnecessary. The cull stopped at Presqu'ile Provincial Park because of bad press for the park and Ministry of Natural Resources. Parks Canada is now experiencing the same problems at Middle Island on Lake Erie and the reputation of Point Pelee National Park will suffer. Cormorant culls are dividing the goodwill of conservationists, and they are consuming valuable staff time and the limited funding for conservation. The TRCA is losing our respect and support.

Sincerely,

Jean Iron and Ron Pittaway  
Past Editors of Ontario Field Ornithologists

CORRESPONDENCE 6.13



Tuesday May 20, 2008

Brian Denney  
Chair and Chief Administrative Officer  
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority  
5 Shoreham Drive  
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Re: Management of nesting Double-crested Cormorants at Tommy Thompson Park

Dear Board Members,

It has been impossible to receive details of the proposed egg oiling project from both the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority and Gail Fraser of York University. Both parties have worked diligently to ensure that members of the public that campaign to protect colonial waterbirds did not, and do not, have the details of what exactly is being proposed as it relates to the colonial waterbird colony at the Leslie Spit.

Please find attached email correspondence attempting to get clarification of the proposed egg oiling project and other current egg oiling project across the Greater Toronto Area.

It appears as if the City of Toronto is lethally controlling ALL colonial waterbirds through egg destruction including egg oiling except for Caspian Terns and Black-crowned Night Herons. Every single bird, except the two mentioned above, are being killed across Toronto. Only today, I received the number of Ring-billed Gull eggs that have been destroyed to maintain the desired population. According to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority over 100,000 Ring-billed Gull eggs have been destroyed since the program began, and the program continues every year.

These projects go forward with NO public consultation or knowledge, and have been for years. There has been no recent public review of the Ring-billed Gull program and the Authority as recent as February 2008 approved continued egg

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destruction of Canada Geese because the birds cause 'severe aesthetic impairment'.

I am shocked to learn that the City of Toronto is killing – widespread – across the entire waterfront thousands of Canada Geese because of aesthetics.

The proposed egg oiling project is not designed to answer questions about the impacts of egg oiling. Egg oiling has been widely utilized for decades to kill unwanted birds, including by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority. It is a control method applied precisely because its effects are well understood.

The stress egg oiling inflicts on adult nesting birds is not measured as precisely as the effectiveness of hatchling suppression, but if the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority simply wanted to learn more on the effectiveness or 'humaneness' of egg oiling on nesting birds, then why not study the impacts on adult birds that are already targeted for egg destruction such as Canada Geese. If it is 'humaneness' that is motivating the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, than 'humaneness' should be applied to all colonial waterbirds and not just cormorants. If this project is a feasibility study for a wide-spread egg oiling project, then it should be presented that way.

Please find attached two reports, partially funded by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and produced by the Peaceful Parks Coalition on the impacts of egg oiling on adult nesting Double-crested Cormorants.

We found:

Double-crested Cormorants are dedicated parents and will not leave their nests during incubation. The effects of egg oiling on nesting adults can result in incubation behaviour being extended up to two extra weeks. Average incubation period is 3.5 weeks. While sitting on their nests, adults do not feed, do not drink, and are susceptible to exposure. It interferes with natural reproductive instincts, and causes disturbances similar to that of harassment.

Egg oiling is a lethal method of population control because it aims to reduce the overall bird population. The objectives are equivalent to that of shooting but the results are achieved over a longer time period. The application of mineral oil on eggs suffocates the embryo inside, and fools the adult bird into believing their eggs are still alive. This keeps the adult sitting on its clutch and discourages re-nesting. (Cormorants will attempt to produce a second clutch if their first clutch fails. Nesting behaviour continues until summer days begin to wane - a natural marker for nesting birds that signals the end of the nesting season). Egg oiling controls bird populations by suppressing the production of hatchlings compounded by natural mortality of adults.

The effects of egg oiling are well established and there is ample of research to review without an additional study.

With the details released by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, we question the merits of the proposed project. For example, the sample size is too small to realistically measure disturbance levels to a colony and other colonial waterbirds. A sample size of only 60 treated nests can easily be selected from the perimeter of a colony without ever entering it, therefore limiting disturbance to only the outer edge. A realistic oiling project would require moving through an entire colony, causing widespread disturbance.

It is a poorly designed, ad hoc project. Please see attached email from Gail Fraser.

Tommy Thompson Park has evolved into one of the greatest urban wilderness areas in North America, and boasts the largest colonial waterbird colony in the Great Lakes basin. This colony is home to the largest concentration of both nesting Double-crested Cormorants and Black-crowned Night Herons.

This dynamic colony of colonial waterbirds exists in spite of the dry waste landfill still in operation at the bottom of the 'spit'. Many visitors to Tommy Thompson Park consider this colony a great gift, and proof of Nature's perseverance to reclaim and repair areas of neglect. The people of Toronto are proud of the Leslie Spit.

Yet the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority are presenting here today their intention to control the expansion of the waterbird colony by limiting the number of nesting Double-crested Cormorants.

Double-crested Cormorant colonies are typical of other colonial waterbird colonies found throughout the world. The large dense colonies during nesting periods serve as a natural barrier against predators that feast on cormorant eggs and chicks. These predators include other colonial birds such as Black-crowned Night Herons. Populations are self-regulating once colonies become too dense. This basic ecological principle is true for all species.

The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority works closely with other jurisdictions that actively promote the shooting of cormorants throughout the bird's nesting habitat and migration route. Partnerships between the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are investigating more efficient methods to kill cormorants on their 'flyway', leaving no place safe for these birds anywhere.

Tommy Thompson Park has become a safe refuge for these birds.

We believe it is this partnership that is motivating the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority to push for cormorant management. There simply cannot be a population source anywhere on the Great Lakes for Double-crested Cormorants otherwise culling programs in other jurisdictions will not be as effective. In other words, the cormorant population must be controlled basin-wide.

The Toronto and Region Conservation Authority publicly states its mandate for the park is to respect the influences of natural forces in shaping the area's biodiversity, yet the TRCA is currently considering lethal control of cormorants through egg oiling.

It would be difficult to defend the integrity of such a mandate if the action is to selectively prohibit the natural evolution of a native species deemed unwanted by city officials.

Double-crested Cormorants are beautiful birds that move energy throughout the terrestrial and aquatic ecological system of the Great Lakes. Their large dense colonies are both inspiring and humbling to witness.

We are asking the Authority to reject any proposal that seeks to control the Double-crested Cormorant colony at Tommy Thompson Park.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Valastro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "A" and a long, sweeping tail.

AnnaMaria Valastro  
Campaigner  
Peaceful Parks Coalition

## Item 7.10

**TO:** Chair and Members of the Authority  
Meeting #4/08, May 23, 2008

**FROM:** Catherine MacEwen, Senior Manager, HR, Safety, Marketing and  
Communications

**RE:** **COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN**  
Regional Municipality of Peel

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### KEY ISSUE

Award of selected advertising supplier contracts for a public awareness campaign on the Regional Municipality of Peel's 2008 climate change program.

### RECOMMENDATION

**WHEREAS Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA), Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVC) and the Regional Municipality of Peel have partnered to provide a comprehensive climate change program in Peel Region;**

**WHEREAS the Regional Municipality of Peel has approved the Peel Climate Change Communications Project to be implemented from July 1 to December 31, 2008 for each of the following contracts, at a total cost of \$150,000 and has provided \$100,000 in funding to TRCA and \$50,000 to CVC for the program;**

**THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT IMA Outdoors be awarded the contract to produce and place posters at 11 different GO Train stations in Brampton and Mississauga at a cost not to exceed \$35,000, plus applicable taxes, in 2008;**

**THAT CBS be awarded the contract to produce and place 3 billboards, within Mississauga and Brampton, at a cost not to exceed \$24,000, plus applicable taxes, in 2008;**

**THAT CBS be awarded the contract to produce and place transit ads on selected City of Mississauga buses on high volume routes at a cost not to exceed \$24,000, plus applicable taxes;**

**THAT Street Seen Media be awarded the contract to produce and place transit ads on selected City of Brampton buses on high volume routes at a cost not to exceed \$25,000, plus applicable taxes;**

**THAT Getty Images be awarded the contract to supply photographic images in the advertising for all campaign materials at a cost not to exceed \$12,000, plus applicable taxes;**

**THAT the Town of Caledon be awarded the contract to place advertising in the 2008 Recreation Guide at a cost not to exceed \$1,500, plus applicable taxes;**

**THAT Loon Communications be awarded the contract to produce and place posters for 16 Brampton Community Centres at a cost not to exceed \$4,500, plus applicable taxes;**

**THAT the City of Mississauga be awarded the contract to place advertising in the Active Guide at a cost not to exceed \$1,800, plus applicable taxes;**

**AND FURTHER THAT I-Mobile Web be awarded the contract to provide website design and content on a website regarding what the public can do to address climate change in the community at a cost not to exceed \$5,000, plus applicable taxes.**

## **BACKGROUND**

The Regional Municipality of Peel approved funding to TRCA and CVC in 2008 for various programs in its jurisdiction to address the issue of climate change, including funds for a communication program to be run from July 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008. All three agencies will be recognized on all advertisements as partners in the project.

In the 2008 Environmental Monitor study conducted by McAllister, Canadians were shown to be concerned and aware of climate change, however unaware of the true causes of climate change and what they can do about it. The public awareness campaign in Peel Region has been designed jointly by Peel Region, CVC and TRCA staff to create greater understanding of climate change, what the Region of Peel is doing and what individuals can do in their day-to-day activities to mitigate the impacts. Protection of water and air quantity and quality, access to greenspaces and personal action are some of the key messages.

## **RATIONALE**

To integrate the messaging and the solutions to climate change, the proposed advertisement placement is focusing on transit and high traffic areas in the Region of Peel's jurisdiction. The website for use in the campaign is [www.lifeisbetterinpeel.ca](http://www.lifeisbetterinpeel.ca), and links to the site will be available from the Peel Region, CVC and TRCA websites.

The vendors have been recommended for the following reasons:

### **IMA Outdoors:**

- GO train stations were selected for ad placement due to high traffic volume and availability during the contract period. GO Transit holds an exclusive contract with IMA Outdoors for advertising so it is a sole source contract.

### **CBS:**

- CBS currently holds a contract with the cities of Mississauga and Brampton to place billboards within the respective municipalities.
- City of Mississauga holds an exclusive contract with CBS for advertisements along Mississauga bus routes.
- Highly reputable company with an existing relationship with the municipalities, so recommending awarding it is a sole source contract.

**Street Seen Media:**

- City of Brampton holds an exclusive contract with Street Seen Media for advertisements along Brampton bus routes so it is a sole source contract.
- High volume routes available during our contract period.
- Offering reduced rates based on contract period.

**Getty Images:**

- TRCA staff designed artwork to target the campaign message and after reviewing images on the market determined that some images with rights held by Getty to be the most effective for the advertising material.

**Town Of Caledon**

- Recreation guide distributed to 19,000 Caledon households.
- Message will reach approximately 57,000 (through libraries, community centres and households).
- Reduced advertising rates.
- Based on large coverage, it is recommended to award the sole source contract.

**City Of Mississauga**

- Recreation Guide distributed to 185,000 Mississauga households.
- Message will reach approximately 220,000 (through libraries, community centres and households).
- Based on large coverage, it is recommended to award the sole source contract.

**Loon Communications**

- City of Brampton holds an exclusive contract with Loon Communications for advertising within 16 City of Brampton recreation centres so it is a sole source contract.

**I-Mobile Web**

- Came in at the lowest quote between I-Mobile and Applinx.
- Existing two year relationship with I-Mobile and TRCA.

Further, the above-noted vendors have been recommended for this campaign as they are able to produce the advertisement at a reduced cost based on the contract for production and placement of the advertisements.

**FINANCIAL DETAILS**

The Peel Climate Change Communications Campaign is funded entirely by the Region of Peel Climate Change envelope with a budget of \$150,000. The current expenses attributed to this campaign total \$132,800. Additional expenses are not anticipated at this time.

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