



TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON SPECIAL HYBRID COUNCIL MEETING - AGENDA MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2025 – 10:30 A.M.

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1. Call to Order

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

We will begin the meeting by sharing the Land Acknowledgement Statement:

We would like to begin by acknowledging that Melancthon Township recognizes the ancestral lands and treaty territories of the Tionontati (Petun/Wyandot(te)), Haudenosaunee (Six Nations), and Anishinaabe Peoples. The Township of Melancthon resides within the lands named under the Haldimand Deed of 1784 and the Lake Simcoe-Nottawasaga Treaty (Treaty 18).

These territories upon which we live and learn, are steeped in rich Indigenous history and traditions. It is with this statement that we declare to honour and respect the past and present connection of Indigenous peoples with this land, its waterways and resources.

3. Approval of Agenda

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

5. General Business

1. Environmental Registry of Ontario – Expanding Protected Areas in Ontario – Additional Sites Proposed to be Regulated under the Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act, 2006 – ERO Number 019-9306

<https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-9306>

1. Supplemental Document Supporting ERO Proposal Notice 019-9306 regarding the Boyne Valley Provincial Park Addition (Deputy Mayor McLean)

6. Confirmation By-law

7. Adjournment

**Supplemental Document Supporting Environmental Registry of
Ontario Proposal Notice Number 019-9306**

Sites Proposed to be Regulated under the Provincial Parks and
Conservation Reserves Act, 2006

DRAFT FOR CONSULTATION

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks



Introduction

Ontario is expanding greenspaces throughout the province to provide Ontarians with new outdoor recreation opportunities, such as hiking, camping and fishing, while providing communities with critical support related to tourism, job creation and economic development. At the same time, Ontario is conserving and safeguarding the province's unique ecosystems, habitats, and wildlife for the benefit of Ontarians today and future generations

The Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (ministry) is proposing to regulate under Provincial Parks and Conservation Reserves Act, 2006 (PPCRA) 43 protected areas totalling approximately 12,640 hectares (ha) by amending O. Reg. 316/07: (Designation and Classification of Provincial Parks) and O. Reg. 315/07: (Designation of Conservation Reserves) under the PPCRA.

Under the PPCRA, hunting is permitted in conservation reserves but is generally prohibited in a provincial park unless it is allowed by regulation made under the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997 (FWCA). Should the proposal to regulate a particular provincial park proceed, corresponding amendments would be proposed to O. Reg. 663/98 (Area Descriptions) under the FWCA to permit hunting in certain areas where required.

The related Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO) proposal notice ([019-9306](#)) lists sites that Ontario is proposing to protect as provincial parks or conservation reserves. This document supplements that proposal notice, providing additional site-specific details for each proposed site with a map of the proposed lands to be regulated.

The sites have been divided into geographic regions based on the five (5) Ontario Parks Administrative Zones to better support this review and ability for the public to provide feedback.

These zones are as follows:

1. Algonquin Zone (ALZ)
2. Northeast Zone (NEZ)
3. Northwest Zone (NWZ)
4. Southeast Zone (SEZ)
5. Southwest Zone (SWZ)

The ministry is continuing to collect information through this consultation and with support from its partner ministries, to inform a list of sites to proceed to regulation.

If sites proposed for protection are regulated as provincial parks or conservation reserves, this would not prohibit Indigenous communities from exercising their Aboriginal and treaty rights. Indigenous communities could still exercise these rights in the provincial parks or conservation reserves subject to safety and conservation concerns.

Comments and feedback on the ERO proposal notice ([019-9306](#)) may be provided on any of the listed sites or be general in nature. Please see the ERO proposal notice for details on how to provide comments.

31. Boyne Valley Provincial Park Addition

Proposed site details

This proposal is to amend the boundary of [Boyne Valley Provincial Park](#) by adding eight (8) parcels totalling 496 ha (~ 1225 ac) of lands that were previously acquired by Ontario.

Boyne Valley Provincial Park is a 431 ha natural environment class park that was established in 1985. It is located within Dufferin Country, about 20 km north of Orangeville ([see map](#)).

The park encompasses multiple ecodistricts in the [Lake Simcoe - Rideau Ecoregion](#), including [Stratford \(6E-1\)](#), [Oak Ridges \(6E-7\)](#), and the [Mount Forest Ecodistrict \(6E-5\)](#) where the majority of the land proposed for addition to the park is located. The park also overlaps both the Boyne Valley Life Science ANSI and the Primrose – Boyne Valley Earth Science ANSI. The park offers a variety of recreational opportunities including hiking access along the Bruce Trail, cycling, fishing, and snowmobiling (along designated snowmobile trail).

The regulation of these parcels will double the size of the park, further protecting the ecological integrity of the area, and offering additional opportunities for recreation.

Proposed changes to regulate hunting

Hunting is currently not allowed in the provincial park, however, is permitted on the lands proposed to be added to the park. The proposal is to continue to allow hunting in the proposed additions and to permit hunting within the currently regulated area of the park. Hunting within the provincial park (including the addition) is proposed to occur in accordance with clause 110(b) of O. Reg. 665/98 of the FWCA, which enables the hunting of game mammals (but not furbearing mammals), migratory game birds or game birds beginning the later of the first day of the open season for that mammal or bird or September 15 until the last day of the open season for that mammal or bird.

Please see below for a map of the proposed additions

Southwest Zone (SWZ) - Proposed Provincial Parks

Proposed Boyne Valley Provincial Park Addition

