

Habitat Enhancement Program

The Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan (BQRAP) is pleased to offer funding opportunities for landowners who live on waterfront properties and want to create or improve a natural shoreline or wildlife habitat.

PROJECT CATEGORIES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING

Category 1 - Shoreline Naturalization

- BQRAP funds up to 50% of the project cost to a maximum of \$7,500
- Creating a more natural shoreline e.g. removal of a retaining wall or other man-made structure

Project fees may include:

- Site plans
- Contractors
- Permits
- Plant material/erosion control material

Category 2 - Fencing

- BQRAP funds up to 50% of the project cost to a maximum of \$7,500
- Install fencing to restrict access of livestock to a watercourse or wetland

Project fees may include:

- Alternate watering systems
- Fencing materials
- Permits

Category 3 - Planting/Buffer Zone

- BQRAP funds up to 100% of the project cost to a maximum of \$1,000
- Plant list provided by BQRAP

A complimentary site visit is required to determine project eligibility.



Baby Wood Duck.

Please check with your local Conservation Authority's regulations staff before performing any work on your shoreline.



Category 4 - Osprey Platform

- BQRAP funds up to 50% of the project cost to a maximum of \$1,000
- Funding available for locations that meet habitat criteria

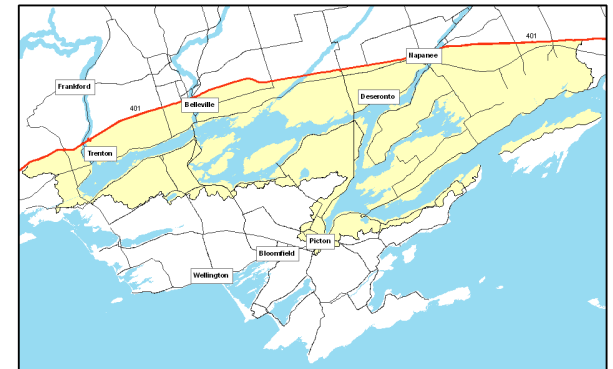
Category 5 - Wildlife Pond Habitat Creation

- BQRAP funds up to 50% of the project cost to a maximum of \$2,500
- Native plant material must be used, plant list provided by BQRAP
- To qualify for a pond creation project, the HEP committee must review the location to determine eligibility

Project fees may include:

- Site plans
- Contractors
- Permits
- Plant material/erosion control material

Landowners who live on a waterfront property and are located within the yellow area on the map could qualify for funding.



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The Bay of Quinte RAP and its partners are successfully under-taking actions to rehabilitate the Bay of Quinte. You can be part of the long-term solution to improving water quality in the Bay by enhancing, protecting or creating a natural shoreline or a wildlife pond habitat. Shoreline areas are a critical and sensitive link between land and water, often called "the ribbon of life".

Natural shoreline vegetation plays an important role in preventing soil erosion.

Plant roots anchor the soil, preventing shoreland from being washed away by currents, waves and rain. Native species are very effective in protecting properties from erosion, due to their extensive root systems.

Benefits of a Natural Shoreline and Habitat Creation

- Habitat creation and wildlife attraction
- Reduced runoff
- Erosion control
- Flood protection
- Contributing to healthier water quality
- Visually pleasing

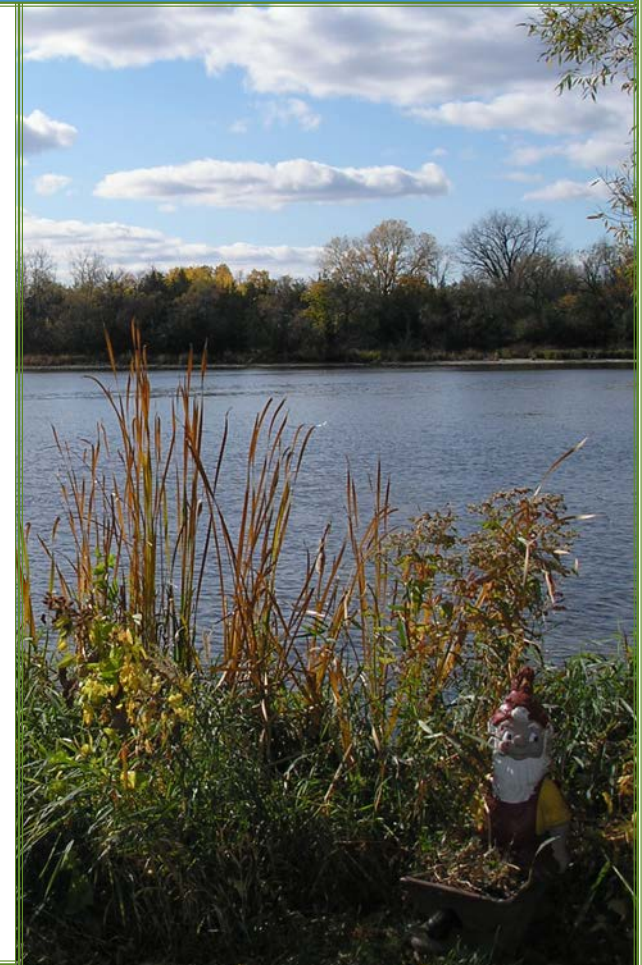
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