

The Bay of Quinte is a healthy and vibrant ecosystem.  
Now, we must make sure it doesn't deteriorate.

## What Happens Next ?

### WE HAVE COME A LONG WAY!

- Tens of \$Millions spent on “clean up” of the Bay since mid 1980's
- Federal & provincial governments working with local conservation authorities, industries, First Nations, the public, and municipal governments to get the job done
- The Bay is currently a healthy and vibrant ecosystem that attracts visitors from around the world
- 8 of the environmental challenges are on their way to being identified as restored

### WE HAVE A LITTLE FURTHER TO GO...

3 environmental challenges to complete

### WORK THAT WILL HELP US ADDRESS THE REMAINING ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES

- Develop and implement a Phosphorus Management Strategy
- Implement Stormwater and Infrastructure improvements
- Maintain healthy shorelines to protect the fisheries and water quality
- Implement urban and rural stewardship programs
- Municipalities to take action on the outstanding RAP recommended actions

### NEXT STEPS

- Phosphorus Management Strategy to be developed and municipal and public involvement will be key

### MUNICIPALITIES NEED TO BE INVOLVED FOR THE LONG-TERM

- Once the BQRAP is complete, the local community will have a continued responsibility to protect the environment
- Great strides have been made and we can't slip back - How are we going to ensure that doesn't happen?
- Need to monitor, need to implement the Phosphorus Management Strategy, need to involve the public and municipalities long into the future.
- Need to continue to work with provincial and federal governments to ensure priorities are addressed and a level of financial commitment is maintained

### POSSIBLE MANAGEMENT OPTIONS TO KEEPING THE BAY HEALTHY

- National Marine Conservation Area?
- Biosphere Reserve?
- Foundation or Friends Group?
- Financing by local municipalities?

As you can see, when the Bay of Quinte is no longer an Area of Concern, all the work is not done. The work of ensuring that environmental quality is sustained into the future is just beginning and municipalities are going to be key players in the process.

To find out more about the Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan and how through the efforts of its many partners the Bay is a success story that needs your input and support, visit our web site [www.bqrap.ca](http://www.bqrap.ca)

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