


More hunting and ATVs in Kawartha

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More Hunting in a Provincial Park?

Proposal Will Increase ATV Use

The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) is proposing more hunting in Kawartha Highlands Provincial Park. The proposal extends the hunting season, adds more animals to the list of species to be hunted and includes the use of more All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) in the park. New species to be hunted include snapping turtles, common grackle, brown-headed cowbird, American crow, porcupine and groundhog. The bear hunting season will also be increased.

Read our full release [here](#).

Add your voice. The deadline to comment on the EBR posting is December 9, 2008. Please visit the [EBR website](#) to read more and submit your comments online in your own words.

What we are saying:

- The Ministry proposal (EBR Registry Number 010-4911) to increase hunting and ATV use in a park **must be denied**.
- All parks including Kawartha exist to protect ecological integrity.
- More hunting and more ATV use makes a mockery of our parks system.
- Hunting occurs in over 90% of crown land already.
- This proposal upsets the balance that was negotiated for the park in 2003.

Minister Donna Cansfield: dcansfield.mpp@liberal.ola.org, and Barton Feilders (Manager, Ontario Parks): barton.feilders@ontario.ca would also like to hear from you.

[Click here](#) for background information on this proposal.



Wildlands League helps build capacity of First Nations to respond to Mining in Far North

Oji-Cree Mining Coordinator Hired

Wildlands League is pleased to announce that it is launching a new project in the far north to support First Nations as they respond to exploration and mining issues. We welcome John Cutfeet as our new Bilingual Mining Coordinator.

Mr. Cutfeet has a strong background in communications, is fluent in Oji-Cree and English, has excellent knowledge of the processes of exploration and mining, the *Mining Act*, and, superb understanding of Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. He is also a member of Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug.

Read the full release [here](#).



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