

**Wildlands League**

**Financial Statements**

**March 31, 2016**



## **Independent Auditor's Report**

To the Members of  
**Wildlands League**

### **Report of the financial statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Wildlands League**, which comprise the statement of financial position as at **March 31, 2016** and the statements of operations and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audits is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.



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### Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the organization derives revenue from donations and fundraising activities the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the organization's records. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to the donation and fundraising revenue, excess of revenues over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the years ended March 31, 2016 and March 31, 2015, current assets as at March 31, 2016 and March 31, 2015, and net assets as at April 1 and March 31 for both the 2016 and 2015 years. Our audit opinion on the financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2015 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope.

### Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effects of such adjustments, if any, which might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of the donations referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at **March 31, 2016** and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

*Clarkson Rouble LLP*

Mississauga, Ontario  
September 17, 2016

**Clarkson Rouble LLP**  
Chartered Professional Accountants  
Licensed Public Accountants



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## Statement of Financial Position As at March 31

	2016	2015
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Cash	\$ 83,106	\$ 11,585
Short term investments	3,164	3,164
Accounts receivable	117,381	168,051
Sales taxes receivable	8,583	18,501
Due from Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (Note 5)	58,802	14,534
Prepaid expenses	9,567	8,997
	<b>\$ 280,603</b>	<b>\$ 224,832</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
<b>Current</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 183,462	\$ 138,827
Deferred project contributions (Note 3)	51,798	67,900
	<b>235,260</b>	<b>206,727</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		
<b>Unrestricted net assets</b>	<b>45,343</b>	<b>18,105</b>
	<b>\$ 280,603</b>	<b>\$ 224,832</b>

*See accompanying notes to financial statements*

**On behalf of the Board:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ Director

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## Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets Year Ended March 31

	2016	2015
<b>Revenue</b>		
Foundation, corporate and other program grants	\$ 1,088,282	\$ 1,138,552
Individual donations	68,137	47,299
Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (Note 5)	125,368	86,009
Interest and other income	5,825	6,278
Recovery of expenses	41,194	74,054
Fees for service	-	275
Events	2,729	6,899
	<u>1,331,535</u>	<u>1,359,366</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries and benefits	527,281	547,927
Occupancy cost	64,667	64,119
Office and general	32,846	29,180
Telecommunications	17,965	17,277
Travel	74,874	40,758
Professional and contract services	513,712	552,227
Public outreach	24,268	25,007
Board	2,151	1,954
Reimbursable expenditures	30,658	43,317
Fundraising and events	12,875	6,495
Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (Note 5)	3,000	-
	<u>1,304,297</u>	<u>1,328,261</u>
<b>Excess of revenue over expenses for the year</b>	<b>27,238</b>	<b>31,105</b>
<b>Unrestricted net assets, beginning of period</b>	<b>18,105</b>	<b>(13,000)</b>
<b>Unrestricted net assets, end of period</b>	<b>\$ 45,343</b>	<b>\$ 18,105</b>

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## Statement of Cash Flows Year Ended March 31

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	2016	2015
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	\$ 27,238	\$ 31,105
Net change in working capital items		
Operating working capital		
Account receivable	50,670	(88,418)
Sales taxes receivable	9,918	3,827
Due from CPAWS	(44,268)	76,096
Prepaid expenses	(570)	10,069
Accounts payable	44,635	(14,743)
Deferred project contributions	(16,102)	(46,188)
<b>Increase (decrease) from operating</b>	<b>71,521</b>	<b>(28,252)</b>
<b>Increase (decrease) in cash</b>	<b>71,521</b>	<b>(28,252)</b>
<b>Cash, beginning of year</b>	<b>11,585</b>	<b>39,837</b>
<b>Cash, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 83,106</b>	<b>\$ 11,585</b>

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Wildlands League (the "League") is a registered charity devoted to the protection and preservation of wilderness in Ontario and to the sustainable use of natural resources. The League is a chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS). The two organizations cooperate on certain activities while they continue to operate as separate legal entities each with their own Board and separate registrations as federal charitable organizations.

Algonquin Wildlands League was incorporated on April 1, 1968 without share capital under the laws of the Province of Ontario. It is classified as a non-profit organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada) and, as such, is exempt from income taxes. Effective February 29, 2008 it's legal name was changed to Wildlands League.

### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. Outlined below are those policies considered to be particularly significant:

**a) Revenue recognition**

The organization follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Restricted contributions are recognized in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

**b) Investments**

Investments consist of money market funds and are initially recognized at fair value on the date of acquisition and subsequently re-measured at fair value at each reporting date. Unrealized gains and losses arising from the change in fair value of these investments are included in the statement of operations.

**c) Capital assets**

Capital assets costing greater than \$10,000 are capitalized at cost or at estimated fair market value, if donated, less accumulated amortization. Amortization is provided on a straight line basis over the number of years equal to the approximate economic life of the asset.

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### 1. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### d) Donated materials and services

Donated materials and capital assets are recognized in the accounts when the fair market value of the materials is readily determinable and has been received by the organization.

Volunteers contribute many hours per year to assist Wildlands League in carrying out its mandate. Because of the difficulty in determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in the financial statements.

#### e) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reported period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### f) Measurement of Financial instruments

The Organization initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value adjusted by, in the case of a financial instrument that will not be measured subsequently at fair value, the amount of transaction costs directly attributable to the instrument. The Organization subsequently measures all its financial assets and liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments which are measured at fair value without adjustment for transaction costs that would be incurred on the disposal and changes in fair value are recognized in income in the period. Transaction costs associated with the acquisition of these investments is recognized in net income in the period incurred.

Financial assets measured at cost include cash and accounts receivable. Financial liabilities measured at cost include accounts payable and accrued liabilities.



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### 2. Going Concern

These financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and the payment of liabilities in the ordinary course of business. Should the organization be unable to continue as a going concern, it may be unable to realize the carrying value of its assets and to meet its liabilities as they become due.

The organization's continuance as a going concern is dependent upon its ability to obtain revenues sufficient to support its operations. It is not possible to predict whether fundraising efforts will be successful or if the League will be able to generate revenues to meet its operating expenditures.

These financial statements do not reflect adjustments that would be necessary if the going concern assumption were not appropriate, because management intends to take measures that will mitigate the effect of the conditions and facts that raise doubts about the appropriateness of this assumption.

Continued financial support of both the public and private sectors, memberships and attendance at future events will be required for the organization to continue operations.

### 3. Deferred project contributions

Deferred contributions represent unspent externally restricted donations received by the organization relating to activities of the subsequent period or to specific projects which extend beyond the current fiscal period.

	2016	2015
Balance, beginning of period	\$ 67,900	\$ 114,088
Donations/Grants received/receivable during the period	1,140,317	1,139,663
Less: amounts recorded as revenue in the period	1,156,419	1,185,851
<b>Balance, end of period</b>	<b>\$ 51,798</b>	<b>\$ 67,900</b>

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### 4. Commitments and contingencies

The organization has an agreement to lease premises. Future minimum payments, by year, consisted of the following at March 31, 2015.

2017	\$ 66,977
2018	76,171
2019	6,371
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	\$ 149,519

### 5. Related party transactions

Membership renewal and other donations to the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society are shared between the National Office and the Regional Chapters based on the donor's place of residence. CPAWS also enters into contracts with the Regional Chapters to provide grants for conservation programs. During the year, the League recognized revenue of \$125,368 (2015 - \$86,009) from donations and grants through the Canadian Park and Wilderness Society. The League paid to CPAWS its portion of liability and property insurance premiums as it is covered under the CPAWS policy. It also paid \$5,526 (2015 - \$1,162) for direct mail costs related to CPAWS mailings and \$3,000 representing CPAWS portion of a donation received in the current year by the League.

### 6. Financial instruments

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the organization is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from its financial instruments.