



DUFFERIN COUNTY FOREST ADVISORY TEAM AGENDA

Monday, March 26, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room (2nd Floor)

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members

1. FOREST ADVISORY TEAM – March 26, 2018 – ITEM #1
Introductions

Introductions of the members on the Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team.

2. FOREST ADVISORY TEAM – March 26, 2018 – ITEM #2
Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team Mandate

The Team to review the following from the Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team Terms of Reference:

The purpose of the Dufferin County Forest Advisory Team is to:

- provide community input and advice to County staff regarding the Dufferin County Forest Management Plan and Dufferin County Forest Recreational Use Policy and;
- assist County staff in communicating plan and policy revisions.

DISCUSSION

3. FOREST ADVISORY TEAM – March 26, 2018 – ITEM #3
Thomson Tract Land Use Class

The County has recently received donation of 22 acres of property, to be called the Thomson Tract, adjacent to the south of the Little Tract (west side of Airport Road, about 15 km north of Highway 89). As this is a newly acquired property, it is necessary to assign a land use class designation to it in accordance with *Our Forest, Our Future: Dufferin County Forest Management Plan 2016 – 2036*.

4. FOREST ADVISORY TEAM – March 26, 2018 – ITEM #4
Oak Wilt – Public Information Campaign

Oak Wilt is an exotic invasive disease that kills all species of oak, preferring those in the red oak group (red oak and black oak). The Canadian Food Inspection Agency is working hard to keep oak wilt out of Ontario, but it is currently only 500 m from the Canadian border. Infected red oak trees can die in as little as 30 days.

5. FOREST ADVISORY TEAM – March 26, 2018 – ITEM #5
Ongoing Policy Implementation

- a) Improved/increased signs in the Main Tract
- b) Implementation of property use agreements for trail maintenance
- c) Implementation of property use agreements & event permits for use
- d) Increasing safety of Forest users
- e) Best Management Practices for trail maintenance and marking

Next Meeting: To be determined
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